## St Francis Xavier Parish

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Pastor: Fr. James Cherickal ◆ Associate: Fr. Eduardo Lopez

Deacons: Mr. Anthony Wong, Mr. Ryan Fernandes ◆ Parish Secretary: Joanita M.

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm ◆ closed 1pm to 2pm

#### Daily Masses

Monday to Friday Saturday

8:00am and 7:00pm

7:30am

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

7:30am ♦ 9am ♦ 10:30am ♦ 12pm ♦ 1:30pm Sunday

#### Sacrament of Confession

Monday to Saturday 30 min before Mass Morning: Monday to Thursday 6:30pm - 6:50pm Evening: Evening: Friday 6:15pm - 6:45pm Evening Saturday 4:00pm - 4:50pm

#### Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

**Fridays** 6:00pm-7:00pm

#### Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesdays after Masses Our Lady of Velankanni Precious Blood St. Anthony of Padua

Saturdays after 7:30am Mass Thursdays at 9:00pm Tuesdays after 7:00pm Mass

#### <u>Baptism</u>

- Celebrated on the first and last Saturday of the month
- Information in the parish office or on website

#### <u>Marríage</u>

- Contact Parish Office at least one year in advance
- Information in Parish office or on website

#### Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound

- For Sacrament of the sick contact Parish Office
- For Holy communion contact: sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com

#### Rite of Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Faith

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Please contact: rciaministrysfx@gmail.com

#### <u>Funerals</u>

Death of a family member can be a very traumatic experience; preplanning can ease the burden on the family. When death happens please contact the parish and the funeral home.

The SFX Bereavement Team will walk with you as you grieve

# St. Taller Catholic Church Liturgical Ministries

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#### Advisory Committees

**Building Committee** Finance Council Parish Council Stewardship Committee

#### Organizations

BLD CWL and K of C Rosary Apostolate St. Vincent de Paul Legion of Mary

#### Parish Schools

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#### Welcome New Parishioners

To register please contact the Parish Office

## Palm Sunday

of the Lord's Passion

**REFLECTION:** This day could be thought of as a day of contradiction. The Mass begins with the reading of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and His joyous reception by the crowds who strewed palm branches before Him, crying out, "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." Today, this inspiring scene is commemorated by processions of the faithful carrying palm branches into their churches. The contradiction, however, is experienced as the full narrative of the Passion of Christ is read, culminating with Jesus' death on the Cross.

But is it a contradiction? Is His glorious entrance into Jerusalem at the beginning of the week in any way opposed to His crucifixion? Certainly not. From a worldly perspective, for someone who lacks the ability to penetrate this mystery with the eyes of faith, the week ends in tragedy. But from the perspective of the Eternal Father, the welcome Jesus receives as He enters Jerusalem is the welcome given to the Savior of the World. His Cross would become the culmination of that act of salvation. For that reason, His entrance into that holy city was rightly celebrated with great joy, even though the people did not yet understand that the throne their new King would mount was the Cross. *Source: www.mycatholic.life* 



## Holy Thursday

#### Pope Benedict XVI Teaching on the Priesthood

"The faithful expect only one thing from priests:
 that they be specialists in promoting the
 encounter between man and God.
 The Priest is not asked to be an expert in
 economics, construction, or politics.
He is expected to be an expert in the spiritual life.

\*Meeting with the Clergy (Warsaw Poland 2006)\*

#### Totus Tuus is Coming to SFX!

### Summer Youth Camp

(August 11 to August 16)

#### What is Totus Tuus?

- ★It means "Totally Yours"
- ★An Archdiocesan program where seminarians & young adults travel to different parishes to spread the Good News through:

Catechesis, Mass, Confession, Songs & Games!

#### **GRADES 1 TO 6**

Monday to Friday (9am to 230pm) \$60 for the whole week

#### **GRADES 7 TO 12**

Sunday to Thursday (6pm to 9pm) \$20 for the whole week

pick up registration forms at office Info: www.totustuustoronto.ca

## Silver Jubilee Cultural Dance Groups

### Put On Your Dancing Shoes!

Inviting parishioners to participate in cultural dancing that will be presented during our

### Silver Jubilee Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Saturday June 8, 2024

Acceptance on a first come, first served basis • contact the office

#### An Afternoon with Cardinal Tagle

### An Invitation for All at

St. Francis Xavier Parish on April 6, 2024

#### **Program:**

**2pm:** Talk on "The Family" by: Cardinal Luis Antonio G. Tagle

**5pm:** Holy Mass

Card. Luis Antonio G. Tagle Main celebrant & Homilist

first come, first served



#### Please Pray for the Sick in Our Parish

Maricel Virador, Kristoffer Toledo, Oscar Valbuena, Anthony D'Souza, Pepiito D'Souza, Christopher Lawrence, Michael Pinto, Jeanette Hershel & Derrick Whonder

#### ShareLife: Welcome Jesus into your hearts

Today is Palm Sunday, a time in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most.



#### Our parish goal this year is \$133,400.00

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.

#### March For Life 2024



Stand Up & March for the Sanctity of Life & Protection of the Unborn
Thursday May 9, 2024 in Ottawa

Bus pickup: May 9<sup>th</sup> ♦ 6:30am ♦ \$40 for bus to Ottawa

Pickup Location: St Francis Xavier Church

Contact person:

Stephen Gomes (stephengomes@hotmail.com)



#### Holy Week Schedule

**Holy Thursday** March 28<sup>th</sup> (5pm ● 730pm)

**Good Friday** March 29<sup>th</sup> (11am • 1pm • 3pm) Stations of the Cross • 7pm



Easter Vigil March 30th (8pm)

**Easter Sunday** March 31st Regular Sunday Mass Schedule



**PARISH CONFESSIONS**: Monday March 25<sup>th</sup> ● 7pm Last opportunity for confessions before Easter

#### MASSES CANCELLED:

Monday March 25th (7pm) & Tuesday March 26th (8am)

#### Parish Silver Jubilee Photo Book

Don't Miss this Opportunity

## CAPTURE MEMORIES & SMILES! SMILES!

VISIT The parish website to book a date for picture taking through Eventbrite & GET A FREE PARISH PICTORIAL DIRETORY!



#### **Pastoral Reference Requests**

Kindly check the following requirements prior to requesting a pastoral reference

- ♦ Live within the parish boundaries
- ◆ Registered parishioner for at least one year
- ♦ Be actively involved in a parish ministry for at least a year

#### **HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday March 25, 2024

8am †Maria Cristina Dibar

No evening Mass - Parish Confessions (7pm)

#### Tuesday March 26, 2024

No Morning Mass

7pm †Mary Nelly D'Souza

#### Wednesday March 27, 2024

8am †Jessie Fernandes

7pm Thanksgiving Roger & Myra Dela Cruz

Special intention Aldeanna Hipolito

†Maria Loida C. Pelson

†Rosalina Ong

†Percy Pereira

†Abelardo Sapinoso

†Amelia Vergara

†Ruperto Del Rosario

†Mr. & Mrs. Ledislao Camama

**†**Tony Mendonca

†Kevin D'Souza

**†**Jackson Cheung

#### Holy Thursday March 28, 2024

5pm For all ordained priests 730pm For all ordained priests

#### Good Friday March 29, 2024

Good Friday Services: 11am • 1pm • 3pm

Stations of the Cross: 7pm

#### Easter Vigil Saturday March 30, 2024

8pm The newly baptized & confirmed

#### Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

730am Pro Populo

9am For an increase in vocations

1030am For blessing during the parish jubilee year

12pm For all founders and benefactors

130pm For the newly baptized & confirmed

### Good Friday & Holy Thursday Details

#### Good Friday & Holy Thursday

Homilist: Fr. Michael Coutts

#### Good Friday ● 7pm The Stations of the Cross

Weather permitting
Prayed in the church parking lot

Kindly follow the usher's directions when parking

Father, into your hands

I commend my spirit



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