# St Francis Xavier Parish

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm ♦ closed 1pm to 2pm ♦ closed during all Masses

#### Daily Masses

Monday to Friday 8:00am and 7:00pm

Saturday 7:30am

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

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

#### <u>Sacrament of Confession</u>

Morning: Monday to Saturday 30 min before Mass Evening: Monday to Thursday 6:30pm - 6:50pm 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
Our Lady of Velankanni
Precious Blood
St. Anthony of Padua

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

#### Baptism

- 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

#### Liturgical Ministries

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#### Advisory Committees

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#### Organizations

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#### Parish Schools

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 905-501-0400

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 905-568-0056

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 905-568-3720

 St. Valentine
 905-890-0909

 St. Veronica
 905-696-6980

 St. Francis Xavier S.S.
 905-507-6666

 St. Marcellinus S.S.
 905-564-6614

Welcome New Parishioners To register please contact the Parish Office

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Prause be Jesus Christ! Now and forever.

Advent invites us to prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Christ's birth. It is a season that encourages us to embrace joy in the midst of our busy lives, reminding us that joy is not merely a fleeting emotion, but a deep-rooted state of being. This joy flourishes when we live in hope and great expectation, looking forward to the light that will soon break through the darkness.

In our fast-paced world, it's easy to lose sight of the magic surrounding Christmas. Yet, Advent calls us to slow down, to light a candle, and to take a moment to breathe. Each flicker of the flame symbolizes our hopes and dreams, illuminating the path ahead. As we light each candle—representing hope, peace, joy, and love—let us allow our hearts to overflow with the joy of anticipation.

Living in hope means believing in the possibilities that lie ahead. It's about trusting that better days are coming, even when the world seems uncertain. During Advent, we are reminded of the promise of Christ's coming, a promise that brings with it the assurance of renewal and redemption. This hope empowers us to face our challenges with courage, knowing that we are never alone.

Blessings, Fr. Andrew

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#### PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES FOR

FRANK CARDINAL LEO

The faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto offer our prayers and best wishes for the newest members of the College of Cardinals, including our chief shepherd, the Archbishop of Toronto, Frank Cardinal Leo.

This weekend, Cardinal Leo is in Rome as one of the 21 new cardinals from around the world gathered with Pope Francis. Please pray for our new cardinal as he begins this important role of service to the Church.

Regional Masses to celebrate Cardinal Leo and the beginning of the Jubilee Year will take place early in 2025. More details will be shared in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your ongoing co-operation. Please keep Archbishop Leo and all those who will travel to Rome this week close in prayer.

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE:**

December 24<sup>th</sup>

4pm 6pm

8pm 10pm

Midnight

# CHRISTMAS DAY: December 25<sup>th</sup>

9am 10:30am 12pm

1:30pm

### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES: December 31st 5:30pm | 10:30pm (adoration) | 11:30pm



**NEW YEAR'S DAY:** January 1st **Regular Sunday Mass Schedule BUT 7:30AM MASS CANCELLED** 

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#### **NINE NOVENA MASSES**

Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6am followed by parish breakfast

8am Mass cancelled on these days



#### **SFX Christmas Concert**

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**CHRISTMAS THEMED ITEMS** 

**TICKET** 

#### **Advent Parish Reconciliation**

### Thursday December 19th | 7pm



## **Parish Advent** RECONCILIATION

various priests & multiple languages will be available

PLEASE NOTE: The 7pm Mass is cancelled on this day

#### The Catholic Den: Christmas Raffle

TICKETS: 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10 | Sold at The Den

**1**ST **PRIZE**: Statue of the Sacred Heart Including the base: 43 inches tall

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: Statue of the Immaculate Heart §

Including the base: 42 inches tall

3RD PRIZE: Nativity Set

Four pieces: Jesus, Mary, Joseph & lamb (18 inches)

**DRAW:** Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 5pm Mass

All prizes displayed at The Den's window!

#### **Bereavement Ministry**

## **Bereavement Sessions**



January 15th to March 12th For eight weeks meetings on Wednesdays 730pm to 930pm

#### THE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY PROVIDES:

♦ emotional support ♦ validation of feelings ♦

♦ discussion of coping strategies that lead towards healing ◆

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#### HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday December 9, 2024

8am †Merlyn & Gonzago Fernandes

†John Soares 7pm

#### Tuesday December 10, 2024

Thanksgiving Mohan family 8am 7pm

†Anthony Aquilina

#### Wednesday December 11, 2024

Thanksgiving Lynette Conrov 8am

7pm Thanksgiving Hema Pereira & family Thanksgiving Kariyawasam family

†Eligio Siccion

**†**Anthony Aquilina †Matthew Fernandes

†Titus Pinto

†Vito Andreana

†Fernando Calma

†Necitas Gagatiga

**†**Linda Pruchnicky

†Giuseppe Di Matteo

†Maria, Graciano & Emilia Castro

†Maria Norida Roncancio

†Angel Enrique Villa Lobos

†C.K. John

†A.L. Chacko

†Christopher Jogarajah

†Anastasia R. Sindawati Giri

#### Thursday December 12, 2024

Thanksgiving Miguel Rolda 8am 7pm

Thanksgiving Jenny Soong

#### Friday December 13, 2024

In honour of St. Lucy 8am In honour of St. Joseph 7pm

Thanksgiving Aatray Family

Thanksgiving Anne Tolbert Thanksgiving Roger & Myra Dela Cruz

Thanksgiving Paul, Anne & family

Thanksgiving Parameswarans & family

Thanksgiving for all favours received Special intention Life Teen participants

†Nerin Pragash †John Pace

†Margaret Pereira

†Samuel & Joshua D'Souza

**†**Yoland Gonsalves

†Antu Joseph

†Catherine Palomares

†Ida Azavedo

†Christopher Santhiyapillai

#### Saturday December 14, 2024

730am †Ludivina & John Jr. Tampoco †Johnson Francis Asiu 5pm

### Sunday December 15, 2024

730am Leo & Maria Fernandes

Thanksgiving Oliveros family 9am

1030am Pro Populo

12pm + Hayley Thomas

130pm †Peter & Valerie Sequeira

**Advent:** A season of hope & anticipation

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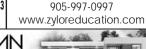
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