



## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, HIGHLAND CREEK

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Saturday 5:00 p.m. Baya Arts

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Isis Rebello

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Jason Gotera

Sunday 7:00 p.m. Barbara Sullivan

**Organist:** Gerard Johnston

### Place for Prayer

The Chapel in the Rectory basement is open daily from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. for individuals or small groups

### Masses

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy)

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

First Fridays: 7:30 p.m.

First Saturdays: 7:00 p.m. (Pilipino)

Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. Mon. to Sat. (Rosary 8:25 a.m.)

### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (or on request)

### Baptisms

Please contact St. Joseph's Parish Office at 416-282-0370 to register for the preparation.

### Marriages

Couples planning to be married must provide one year notice and are required to take a Marriage Preparation Course. At least one of the parties should be a parishioner. Initial inquiries should be directed to the Parish Office during office hours.

### Care of the Sick

Requests for prayers, visitation and/or Communion for the sick or housebound available upon request. Call 416-282-0370

### Parish Facilities

Reservations inquiries for the Parish Hall and Meeting Rooms should be directed to the Parish Office.

### Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	Eric Pinto
Bereavement Ministry	Joan Doyle, Margaret Wilton
Building Committee	Doris McKeogh
Catholic Women's League	Lucia Vacca
CFC Foundation for Family & Life	Leo & Jane De Guia
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Phil & Winnie Martin
Facility Management	Joanne Cline
Finance Council	Tom Wetzel
Knights of Columbus	Roy Van Veen
Lectors	Susan Hall-Jennings
Legion of Mary	Dawne Williams & Rohini Furtado
Liturgy for Children	Lavern Walters
Prayer Group	Wavell D'Souza & Patty Haley
RCIA	Donna Tomie
Refugee-Outreach Committee	Carmela Gaudet
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Tom Deluca
Screening Committee	Therese Baduria
Seniors 50+	Joe Van Pinxteren
ShareLife	Pat Sheehan
Sunday School	Angie Bernard
Wedding Co-ordinator	Ingrid Stalteri
Ushers	5:00 p.m. Peter Almeida
	9:00 a.m. Benny Cyncora
	11:00 a.m. Val Felix
	7:00 p.m. Matthew Ramdial & John Ramdial
Youth Ministry	Angela Bernard

### Parish Schools

Cardinal Leger	600 Morrish Road	416-393-5419
St. Brendan	186 Centennial Road	416-393-5359
St. Dominic Savio	50 Tideswell Blvd.	416-393-5467
St. Jean de Brebeuf	101 Dean Park Road	416-393-5394

### Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.  
1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, February 18, 2018**  
**First Sunday of Lent**  
**in Ordinary Time**  
**Year B**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**February 17 - February 24**

Sat. February 17	9:00 am	† Nicodemus Fernandes
	5:00 pm	Intention of Jude Anandaraj
Sun. February 18	9:00 am	† Sever Zagrai
	11:00 am	For the People of our Parish
	7:00 pm	† Deceased members of Francis Riggi Family
Mon. Feb. 19	9:00 am	† Consuelo Calayag
Tues. Feb. 20	9:00 am	† Mariano Calayag
Wed. Feb. 21	9:00 am	† James Fitzgerald
Thurs. Feb. 22	9:00 am	<b>Chair of St. Peter</b> Intention of Mario & Maria Simao
Fri. February 23	9:00 am	Intention of David Campbell † Kamala Bai † Ranjani Anthony † Paul Hoa Tran & Hao Phuong Phu
	7:30 pm	Intention of Leanne Bondoc † Myrtle D'Souza † Lillian Matthews
Sat. February 24	9:00 am	† Bryan D'Souza
	5:00 pm	† Vincent Malandrino

**PARISH MINISTRY - CONTACTS**

**Catholic Womens League:** General Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month in Room 2. Rosary at 7:10 p.m. followed by a meeting. Contact Lucia Vacca at 416-283-3536

**Faith Enrichment:** Thursdays at 9:30 -10:45 a.m. in Room 2. Contact: Bonnie Washer at 416-284-5772 or Louise at 416-283-5055

**Knights of Columbus:** General Meetings every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2. Contact Roy Van Veen at 416-281-0132

**Legion of Mary:** Meetings every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 1, Legion of Mary Juniors at 6:30 p.m. Contact: Dawne Williams at 416-284-8699 or Rohini Furtado at 647-827-5964.

**Prayer Group:** Meetings every Thursday 7:30 p.m. Rosary at 7:45 p.m. (Praise and Worship, Reflection on the Sunday Gospel, or a Biblical Teaching & Fellowship). Contact: Wavell D'Souza at 416-498-0948 or Patty Haley at 647-888-1292

**Refugee Outreach:** Meets on the last Saturday of the month after the Gatherings. Contact Carmela Gaudet at 416-283-8151

**Seniors 50+ Club:** Lunch, cards, scrabble and companionship from 12:00 - 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall every Wednesday. Seniors Mass is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Contact: Joe Van Pinxteren at 416-284-4213.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in Room 3. Contact: Tom De Luca at 416-606-9260.

**Youth Ministry:** Contact Angie Bernard at 647-242-8429 or youth.ministry@stjosephstoronto.org

**REFLECTION**

We have made a covenant of love and loyalty with God. Have we kept it? Lent's forty days are given us time to recall our relationship with the one who made us and loves us beyond all telling. The first reading tells how after the flood, God established the rainbow as sign of his overarching love. But a covenant is made between two parties; in the psalm we pray to be true to our pledge even as God is true to us. Peter's letter, part of a baptismal homily, links Jesus' death and resurrection with Noah's faith and our baptismal washing, when we pledged faith to God. Baptism does not work automatically; we must keep our promises with God's help. Jesus himself serves as our pattern. After his baptism by John, Jesus spent forty days in the desert under the strong impulse of the Spirit. There he was tempted; there he confronted evil and conquered it, as we must. Baptism does not remove us from struggle and temptation; the Holy Spirit, who inspires the baptized, draws us to sorrow for sin and to a deepened faith in the Good News of God's rule. (Sunday Mass Book)

**PARISH LENTEN RETREAT**

Our Parish Lenten Retreat is scheduled for **Saturday, February 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** This day of prayerful reflection on who we are as Christians is designed to help us journey successfully through this grace-filled season of Lent. Please endeavor to avail of this opportunity to renew and deepen your relationship with God.

**OUR PARISH LENTEN ACTIVITIES**

**Weekly Activities**

- 1) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- 2) Mass followed by Stations of the Cross every Friday from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- 3) Lenten Talks every Thursday beginning with Stations of the Cross at 7:30 p.m. This is organized by the Prayer Group and takes place in the Hall. Everyone is welcome.

**Other Activities**

- 1) Parish Lenten Retreat: Saturday, February 24, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.
- 2) Parish Lenten Confession: Monday, March 26 @ 7:00 p.m.

**PRAYER GROUP**

In preparation for the Easter celebration, the Prayer Group is organizing Lenten Mission talks by Pastoral Associates.

The schedule is as follows:

<b>Thursday, February 22</b>	Father Oliver -	Testing the Spirit
<b>Thursday, March 1</b>	Father Paul -	Holy Whispers, God is speaking. Are we listening?
<b>Thursday, March 8</b>	Deacon Vinh -	Teaching us how to pray

Our service will begin at 7:30 p.m. with the Stations of the Cross followed by Praise & Worship. After this our guest speakers will commence their talk. All are welcome.

## SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

### Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

**4th Parent Meeting:** Sunday March 4th  
@ 1:00 p.m. in the Church

**Repeat:** Monday March 5th  
@ 7:00 p.m. in the Church

**MASSES:** **Sunday April 8th @ 1:00 p.m.**  
St. Brendan & St. Jean De Brebeuf

**Sunday April 15th @ 1:00 p.m.**  
Cardinal Leger, St. Dominic Savio &  
Sunday School

### Confirmation

**2nd set of classes taking place the week of February 18**

### **RETREAT DATES:**

**Saturday April 14** Sunday School (9:00-1:00 pm)

**Tuesday April 17** St. Dominic Savio &  
St. Brendan (9:00-2:00 pm)

**Monday April 23** St. Jean de Brebeuf &  
Cardinal Leger (9:00-2:00 pm)

**MASSES:** **Sunday, April 22nd @ 2:00 p.m.**  
St. Brendan, St. Dominic Savio & Sunday School

**Sunday, April 29th @ 2:00 p.m.**  
Cardinal Leger & St. Jean de Brebeuf

### **LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary is looking to recruit new junior members between the ages of 7-18. It's not too early for young parishioners to learn and grow in the knowledge of their Catholic faith.

Parents, come and see what the Junior Legion of Mary is all about. Meetings take place every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall's basement.

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- You should see the registration box for parishioners
- Type in the Parish Access Code
- Set up a username and password
- Login, consume and enjoy the content!

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Taking place on Friday March 2, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Dunstan of Canterbury (56 Lawson Road)

### **SUNDAY 9:00 A.M. CHOIR**

*God doesn't call people who are qualified. He calls people who are willing, and then he qualifies them.*

If you hear the call and would like to join the choir, we are currently seeking new members for the Sunday 9:00 a.m. mass. All parishioners, high school age and up, whose talent is singing are welcome. There is no need to be able to read music. (Students in high school will earn volunteer hours).

If you are interested in joining our choir please contact the church office or Isis Rebello @ 416-286-0707.

### **A DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR EXTRAORDINARY EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

All Parish Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers are invited to a **time of recollection** on this very important ministry. This will take place on **Saturday, March 10th from 10:00 to 1:00 p.m.**

Following this exercise, they will be re-commissioned or commissioned on **Sunday, March 18th**

### **LEGION OF MARY-LENTEN SEASON**

To schedule a home visit of the Pilgrim Statue of the Virgin Mary contact Dawne at 416-284-8699

### **SIGN UP SUNDAYS! FEB. 24/25 WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign is underway. Cardinal Collins and Bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 addresses collected by the end of Feb. 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

This campaign, Call for Conscience, invites our elected Members of Provincial Parliament and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. The work builds on a similar campaign that took place in 2017.

Please take a moment to provide your contact your contact information at the back of the church on the weekend of February 24/25. Thank you for living a faith that acts!



### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus** are holding a membership drive on March 3rd and 4th. If you're interested in joining a group of Catholic men who serve their parish & community, who live their faith through service & charity, and come together as friends & brothers, meet the Knights in the Church Hall after mass.

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