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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor Administrator

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday 8:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other time by appointment only

First Fridays:

Holy Hour: 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Baptism:

By appointment and after an interview with the parents.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.

Care of the Sick:

Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly - for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.

New Parishioners:

Welcome! Please ask for a registration form in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office.

Holy Cross School

299A Donlands Avenue
Toronto, Ont. M4J 3R7

Principal: Ms. Sandy Gunter

Phone: (416) 393-5242

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Jan 22	Tues	8:15 am	Maureen Isaacs†	
Jan 23	Wed	8:15 am	Helen Douglas†	
Jan 24	Thurs	8:15 am	Jennifer Ducusin – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
		9:30 am	School Mass	
Jan 25	Fri	8:15 am	Saturnina Quinto†	Nelson & Nelia Ducusin
Jan 26	Sat	9:00 am	Fe & Vinda Olase – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Connie & Beth
		5:00 pm	All Parishioners	
Jan 27	Sun	9:30 am	Fe Olase – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Vinda Olase
		11:00 am	Lubin D'Souza	D'Souza Family
		7:00 pm	Gregorio & Paz Tagupa†	Lomanog Family



Collections January 12 & 13, 2018

Offertory : \$1,746.35
 Renovation & : \$ 313.00
 Solemnity of Mary

Thank you for your continued support!

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting (Every Monday)
Jan. 21 & 28, 2018 • Church Hall • 7:30pm~9:30pm

Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul:
Every 2nd Sunday of the month.

School Mass: Holy Cross Catholic School
January 24, 2019 • Church • 9:30am

2019 Parish Offertory Envelopes Distribution
Until the end of January 2019 • Church

Sacrament of First Reconciliation
January 26, 2019 (Saturday) • Church • 10:30am

First Holy Communion:
Family Gathering - Session 4
February 24, 2019 (Sunday) • Church Hall • 10:15am

Wedding in Cana of Galilee



The **Gospel** is from **John 2:1-12**. There are many lessons we can learn from this incident in Christ's life: for example, Christ's approval of marriage—there were some heretical sects later who said marriage was sinful, unfit for a Christian. Or we could see in it the intercessory power of our blessed Mother. Christ anticipated his "hour" for working miracles in order to grant her request. But the theme of today's readings is the goodness and kindness of God and we surely have a convincing proof of that loving kindness in today's gospel story.

Christ worked his first miracle in order to grant a temporal favor, an earthly gift, to save the newly-married groom from embarrassment. It had the other effects of convincing his very recent disciples of their belief that he was the expected Messiah, and also it convinces all Christians of the efficacy of our Lady's intercession for us, but its primary purpose was to confer a temporal benefit on the groom.

By this kind act he has shown us that he is interested in our earthly affairs also. He became man in order that we could become sons of God, he came on earth so that we could go to heaven, but this miracle at Cana proves that he has a deep interest in our many and varied activities during the course of our journey to heaven.

He told us "*ask and you shall receive.*" That "**shall**" is very definite, our prayers will be answered, and what we should ask for is not only spiritual gifts, but the temporal aids also which we need. The "**shall**" applies to them too, as the miracle of Cana proves. We shall get our temporal requests, provided of course that they won't impede us on our journey to heaven. No kind father would give his child a gift that would injure him—God is the kindest of fathers and he sees what will or will not impede or endanger our eternal happiness. We can and should therefore make our temporal needs known to God in our prayers, confident that he will give us what we ask if it is for our real good.

But, someone may object: how often have I asked God for temporal favors I needed so badly, and my prayer was unanswered? Was it unanswered really? Perhaps you did not get the exact thing you asked for but you got something more useful, more necessary, something you never thought of asking for, but the good God saw your need of it. We have a father in heaven who really loves us, and cares for us, let us make our temporal, as well as our spiritual needs, known to him in confident prayer. Our requests will not go unanswered.

By Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.
Excerpt from The Sunday Readings, CatholicCulture.org



**Altar Servers Schedule
January 26 & 27, 2019**

Saturday 5:00 pm	Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Michael Orillanes	Isaiah Odejobi	Ryan
Sunday 9:30 am	Maryrose Sabio	Cheraldine Carandang	Sean Quinagon	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.
Sunday 11:00 am	Matthew Guzman	Martina Flores	Christine Dipasupil	Jann & Jared Ybarola, Bernadette
Sunday 7:00 pm	Cerniel Cruzada	Cailean Cruzada	Joshua	Kirsten

2019 Parish Offertory Envelopes



Dear Parishioners,

For those who have not yet picked up the 2019 Offertory Envelopes, please do so in order that you can start using them now.

The last pick up date will be **January 31, 2019**.

Please take note:

- (1) Some of the assigned envelope numbers **have changed** especially those who had **envelope #376 and onwards in 2018**. Be sure to double check your name on the box.
- (2) Please **do not use** envelopes from **previous years**.
- (3) If you have a **change in address or telephone number**, please notify us. We will need your new address for the issuance of your Income Tax Receipt.

Are you new in the Parish?

If so, please take a moment to register by filling out a Registration Form located in the foyer and place it in the offertory basket.

Kindly provide us with the complete information so that the Parish Office will then contact you.

Learn to love humility, for it will cover all your sins. All sins are repulsive before God, but the most repulsive of all is pride of the heart.
— St. Anthony

**Marriage Sunday
in the Archdiocese of Toronto**

Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto has designated the **weekend of February 9/10, 2019** as **Marriage Sunday** in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The event provides an opportunity to honour husband and wife while saluting the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy that comes with the marriage covenant.

To those preparing for marriage, newlyweds and those that have been companions on the journey for decades, we offer our prayers and best wishes in a special way this weekend.

Let us celebrate the tremendous contributions of married couples who continue to strengthen our faith community. Let us also pray and extend loving support to those who have lost a spouse or are struggling from a broken relationship.

For more information and resources on marriage, visit: www.archtoronto.org/marriage

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019

January 18-25, 2019 marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme: "*Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue*" is taken from Deuteronomy 16:20.

Together we agree with the Church that *prayer is the soul of the ecumenical movement*. This is a primary reason why the Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity remains an uncompromising value.

Come and join us in an ecumenical prayer service led by Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox bishops along with Leaders from Christian Churches in GTA.

Sunday, January 27, 2019, 4:30 p.m.
St. James Anglican Cathedral
(at King and Church Streets)

For further information, please contact:
The Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs Office at
416-934-3400 ext. 344 or 527 or
ecumenical@archtoronto.org

Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life?

If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact, **Fr. Chris Lemieux**, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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