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

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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

Mass/Service Schedule for Lent								
Palm Sunday	April 13	Sat.	5:00pm					
	April 14	Sun.	9:30am 11:00am 7:00pm					
Holy Thursday	April 18	Thurs.	8:15am	NO MASS				
			7:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Supper				
				Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00pm				
Good Friday	April 19	Fri.	8:15am	NO MASS				
			3:00pm	Liturgy of the Passion of Christ				
			7:00pm	Stations of the Cross				
Holy Saturday	April 20	Sat.	9:00am & 5:00pm	NO MASS				
			8:00pm	Easter Vigil				
Easter Sunday	April 21	Sun.	9:30am 11:00am					
			7:00pm	NO MASS				

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting

Every Monday • Parish Hall • 7:30pm~9:30pm

Eucharistic Healing Procession & BenedictionEvery 1st Saturday of the month after the 9:00am Mass • Church

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

9-Day Divine Mercy Novena

April 19-27, 2019 • Church • Schedule is posted at the entrance door.

Know Your Faith Series (April 30, May 7 & 14) Every Tuesday • Parish Hall • 7:00pm~9:00pm

Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation: Session 1April 28, 2019 (Sunday) • Parish Hall • 12:15pm

Multicultural Night Dinner and Dance May 4, 2019 (Saturday) • Parish Hall • 6:00pm

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Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is a Christian moveable feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter.

Palm Sunday commemorates the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1–9), when palm branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the **beginning** of **Holy Week**, the final week of Lent.

Holy Thursday & Good Friday Rituals & Customs

Holy Thursday:

Originally, no Eucharist was celebrated during the week before Easter, but by the fourth century some areas began to celebrate *Jesus' Last Supper on Thursday* with a *Cena Domini* (Supper of the Lord).

During the Middle Ages, Christians rang bells throughout the service, then silenced all bells until Easter. Today, bells are often rung during the **Glory to God** on Holy Thursday (and again on Easter). Reconciliation of Penitents was another rite associated with Holy Thursday.

The day was also known as "Maundy" Thursday which comes from the Latin mandatum (commandment), referring to Jesus' commandment to "love one another." Foot washing according to Jesus' example, symbolized this love and service.

Jesus' giving himself as food and drink as well as the washing of feet point us to our serving ministries in the Church and in the world.

Good Friday:

...is the only day of the year on which Mass is not celebrated. The altar is bare, without cloths, candles or cross.

The liturgy consists of the reading of Jesus' suffering and death from John's Gospel, praying the general intercessions, the veneration of the cross and a communion service.

In early centuries, churches acquired relics of the true cross for these rites; gradually, veneration of the cross became common even when a relic was not available.

Although there is no celebration of the Eucharist on Good Friday, we receive *Communion of the Pre-sanctified* (the bread consecrated on Holy Thursday) at the Good Friday liturgy.

Many churches also have a meditation on the *Way of the Cross* (often called the Stations of the Cross) and meditations on the *Seven Last Words* spoken by Jesus, as recorded in the various Gospels.

Excerpt from the Living with Christ

Mass Intentions							
Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by			
Apr	Tues	8:15	Raymond	Daniel			
16	rues	am	LaFreniere ₽	LaFreniere			
Apr	Wed	8:15	Linda Cuan –	Therese De			
17	weu	am	Thanksgiving	Manche			
Apr 18	Thurs	8:15 am	NO MASS				
Apr 19	Fri	8:15 am	NO MASS				
Apr 20	Sat	9:00 am 5:00 pm	NO MASS				
Apr 21	Sun	7:00 pm	NO MASS				

Altar Servers' Schedule: April 18 to 21, 2019								
Holy Thurs	Good Fri Service	Good Fri Stations of the Cross	Easter Vigil Sat	Easter Sun	Easter Sun			
Apr 18 7:00pm	Apr 19 3:00pm	Apr 19 7:00pm	Apr 20 8:00pm	Apr 21 9:30am	Apr 21 11:00am			
Matthew Acenas	Andre & Martina Flores	Andre Flores	Matthew Acenas	Angeline Beltran	Matthew Acenas			
Gianna Acenas	Michael Orillanes	Martina Flores	Gianna Acenas	Angelo Beltran	Gianna Acenas			
Jann Ybarola	Jann & Jared Ybarola	Isaiah Odejobi	Jann & Jared Ybarola	Michael Orillanes	Isaiah Odejobi			
Jared Ybarola	Christine Dipasupil	Christine Dipasupil	Bernadette Labang	Christine Dipasupil	Bernadette Labang			

9 -Day Divine Mercy Novena

From *April 19 to 27*, there will be a <u>9-Day Divine Mercy Novena</u> to be led by the Legion of Mary. *The first day will be on Good Friday after the 3:00pm service.*

Pontifical Collection of Good Friday for the benefit of the Holy Land

On *April 19th, Good Friday*, there will be a <u>Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places</u>. Each year on Good Friday, our parish is called to support Christians in the Holy Land.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

Holy Cross Multicultural Night Dinner & Dance

When: May 4th, 2019, Saturday

Time: 6:00 pm Where: Parish Hall

Come and wear your traditional dress/attire!

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children up to age 12. Tickets are still on sale at the front doors of the church before and after all the masses.

The money that will be collected from the ticket sales and donations will be used to buy a *projector and update the church's audio system.*

Please contact Allan and Lydia Jaikaransingh at <u>Jaikaransingh@rogers.com</u> if you would like to contribute food items, make donations or offer your help for this event.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting for the Holy Cross SSVP is **Tuesday, April 16**th @ **7:30pm** in the Rectory Meeting Room. Parishioners interested in learning more about the Society are encouraged to attend.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up" Collection

The SSVP is a non-profit charity whose volunteer members collect clothing, shoes, linen and small household goods to donate, exchange for vouchers or sell in order to support our works of charity. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling.

When: May 11, Sat (9am-5pm)
May 12, Sun (9am-7pm)
Where: At the back of the
Church's Driveway

Cardinal's Breakfast

Saturday, May 11, 2019, 7:30am to 9:30am 401 Bay St., Simpson Tower, 8th Floor, Toronto

To those interested *young men in our parish, ages 14 years and older*, you are invited to join for an informal discussion led by *His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins* on topics relating to the **Ordination**.

If you are interested, you may sign up or call the parish office at 416-421-5225 or email vocations@archtoronto.org for R.S.V.P. not later than *May 1st*.



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