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**Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Friday  
9:00 am to 4:00pm

*Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor*

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**Sunday Masses:**

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

**Morning Prayer:**

Monday to Friday 8:40 am

**Weekday Masses:**

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm  
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm  
For any other day 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:**

Registration Form is available in the vestibule of the Church, in the parish office or on the website.

**Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction**

Every 1st Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass.

**Holy Cross School Phone: 416-393-5242**

299A Donlands Avenue, Toronto, Ont. M4J 3R7

**Principal: Ms. Sandy Gunter**

<i>Mass Intentions</i>		
NOV	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
14 Mon, 9am	Fr. Charles Anang - Thanksgiving	Therese de Manche
15 Tues, 9am	Erwin, Maireez Enzo & Centeno Family - Thanksgiving	Monica Sigue
16 Wed, 9am	Angeles P. Gasis +	Ninfa P. Gasis
17 Thurs, 9am	Gerry Boudreau & Aris Doumouras +	Doumouras Family
18 Fri, 9am	For all the deceased members of CWL	Claudette Wilson
19 Sat, 9am	Maria & Emmanuel Lopez Sr. + All deceased members of Pjetrij Family + Gianluca Manrique Nigro- Thanksgiving Speedy recovery & healing of Nicola Chit Donato- Thanksgiving	Jennifer Trelle  Tish Pjetrij  Cora Manrique  Lella  Connie & Beuth Escabarte
5:00pm	All Parishioners In honor of the Holy Family, Blessed Trinity, Holy Saints & Holy Angels	..... Lella
20 Sun, 9am 11 am	Bill Doumouras + Charina Zanio- Thanksgiving	Karin Doumouras Charina Zanio

# Meditate on God's Word



## Sunday Gospel Reflection

Gospel: Luke 21.5-19 - The Destruction of the Temple and Signs of the End Times

### Contemplating Life and Death

Benjamin Franklin has been quoted to say that there are only two things certain in life: death and taxes. While much can be said about the latter, let us focus on the former, namely, death. Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\* asserts that “the thought of death is spiritually fruitful, as it forces each of us to consider our priorities.” As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the Mass readings point toward Christ’s Second Coming and the end of our earthly life. Through the contemplation of our limited time on earth, we can ask ourselves if we are appropriately using our gifts to serve Christ in the poor and our neighbour. One great gift we can share is that of our time. Cardinal Collins says that, “we can use our time in this life to be selfish, or to be generous to others. The blessed used their time here to care for those in need.”

Two practical ways we can effectively and generously use our time is in prayer and active presence with our neighbour. It is primarily important to spend time in prayer, in order to begin to know, love and worship God and come to understand His love and mercy for us. Consequently, with the fire of God’s love fostered through our time in prayer, our time spent with others will be more fruitful, as it will now be God’s love within us reaching out to others. So as we journey with our eyes fixed heavenward, let us generously give our time to God and our parish community.

### Summary

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<https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship>

## *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*



We would like to inform everyone that the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every **Tuesday to Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass until 10:00**

**a.m.** in the Church ***except on holidays.***



## *Let us pray for the sick*

*We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the “forgotten members” in our community.*

If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick list, please call or email us. We will keep their names on our list for 4 weeks. *Thank you.*



Bookings for 2023 MASS are now accepted.

Email us at [holycrosssto@archtoronto.org](mailto:holycrosssto@archtoronto.org)

Fill up the Mass Request Form and drop it in the office's mail slot.

The form is available at the Church entrances.

You can give your donation either in cash or in cheque addressed to Holy Cross Parish. Thank you very much

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion : For Grade 2 November 20 ( Sunday)	
Family Gathering Session 2	
Students	Parish Hall @ 10:15 am
Parents	Church @10:15am

**Do you wish to become a Catholic?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A) is a process by which an adults, continuing on their journey of faith, are fully initiated into the life of the Catholic Church. Participants may include: **Those who have never been baptized (Catechumens). Those baptized in another faith tradition (Candidates). Baptized Catholics who have not received other sacraments or instruction in the faith.**

The goal of initiation is **NOT** simply to receive the sacraments but discipleship in Jesus Christ. The whole parish is responsible for the RCIA through their prayers, witness and attention given to Catechumens and Candidates. Please call the office to register at 416-421-5225.



**Legion of Mary**

The Legion of Mary is a lay catholic organisation whose members are giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country. Membership is open to those who belong to the Catholic Church and believe in its teaching.

For more info, please contact: Elena Manuel 416-878-9272 or Pauline Taylor 416-466-0447.

**Advent Retreat with Bishop Robert Kasun** Saturday, November 26 – 9 to 12:30 p.m. EST Blessed Trinity Parish 3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto CENTRAL REGION Blessed Trinity invites you to an Advent Retreat with Bishop Robert Kasun on Nov. 26 from 9 to 12:30 p.m. in the church parish hall. \$20 per ticket. Light breakfast will be served. Everyone is welcome!  
CONTACT: Camila Nowakowski PHONE: 416-226-0262 EMAIL: [cnowakowski@rogers.com](mailto:cnowakowski@rogers.com) WEBSITE: <https://www.blessedtrinityparish.ca/> POSTER: <https://bit.ly/AdventRetreatBishopKasun>

My Offering

*Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Matt. 6:21*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

AVAILABLE IN NOVEMBER – Starting next week, you can get your offertory envelopes from the ushers at the Church entrance after each Mass.

**Important Notice: We reassigned some individual envelope numbers and assigned envelope numbers to new members.** In order to record the offerings efficiently and appropriately, we hereby appeal to our parishioners, before dropping your envelope/s in the offertory box, please do not forget to indicate your name & the amount for our proper accounting. Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community.

**NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

God our Father, Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust.

Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, Who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever.



The bread & wine ; the lighted sanctuary candle & oil for the altar is being offered for **ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF VILLALUZ AND DUCUSIN FAMILIES.**

As requested by: Ducusin Family.

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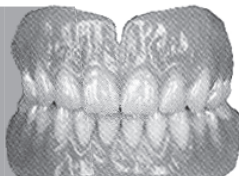


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