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Office Hours:

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

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Sunday Masses:

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

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday to Friday 8:30 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.

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Principal: Kimberly Blanchet

... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
SEPT	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
16 Mon	NO MASS	
17 Tues 9am	Romeo Manuel +	Elena Manuel & Family
18 Wed 9am	Desmond Leahy +	Leahy Family
19 Thurs 9am	Guiseppe Cornacchia +	Giovanna Cornacchia
20 Fri 9am	Thanksgiving – Lydia Salazar	Lydia Salazar
21 Sat 9am	All Parishioners Luz Banda + Mark Magno + Bibi Banda Magno Family
5pm	Birthday Thanksgiving – Jenny Manuel	Fe & Vinda Olase
22 9am	Brian & George Sabido +	Marie Cervantes
11 am	Anthony Richard Godfrey +	Anne & Trevor Godfrey

Meditate on God's Word



Sunday Gospel Reflection
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gospel: Mark 8.27-35 – Peters Declaration about Jesus


A Living Faith

“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?” In our second reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith that is backed up by action. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can live out our faith through stewardship.

While prayer and our relationship with Christ should always remain the most important aspect of our lives, it should still lead us to take action. This is the life of a steward. Before we can bring Jesus to others, our hearts must be filled with His love through our prayer and frequent reception of the Eucharist. We can only give what we have first received.


Moreover, we should always realize that the most generous and loving thing we can do for someone is pray for them. This is the humbling reality of being a disciple. It is not our own merits that bring about change but rather God’s mercy and providence. Therefore, we should always turn to intercessory prayer before we take any action. However, after entrusting everything to God, we can then play our part and concretely try to help. For example, St. James cautions us against only praying for people who are hungry while not actually offering some of our food. The prayer is essential, but as stewards, we must strive to offer tangible support as well. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can better put our faith into action through proper use of our time and talents.

Summary
In our second reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith that is backed up by action. However, we should first realize that the most generous and loving thing we can do for someone is pray for them. However, after entrusting everything to God, we can then play our part and concretely try to help through proper use of our time and talents.



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 9:30 a.m. 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.

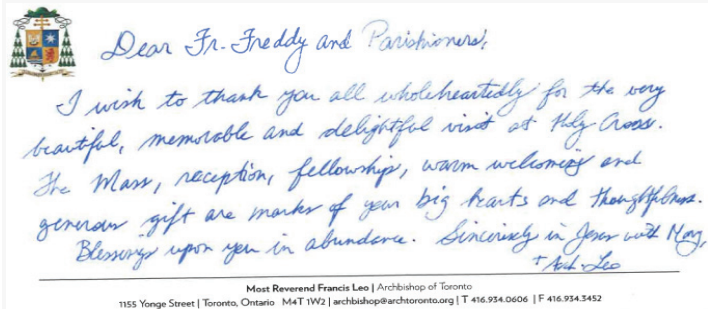
If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick list, please call or email us. We will keep their names on our list for 4 weeks. *Thank you.*

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Thank You to Our Parishioners and Guests

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all parishioners and guests who attended the 7 PM Mass last September 6th with His Grace, Archbishop Francis Leo. The evening was filled with solemnity during the Mass and joy as we shared a potluck and watched the Burmese community showcase their cultural dance.

Here are some pictures to cherish. More photos are posted on our website (holycrossto.archtoronto.org) and Facebook page. Once again, thank you to everyone who participated and made this event a success. We look forward to creating more wonderful memories together.



Holy Cross Church: A Journey Through Time




As we celebrate the 96th anniversary of our beloved Holy Cross Church, we are filled with gratitude and joy. This milestone is a testament to the enduring faith and dedication of our community.

We give thanks to all the pastors who have cultivated our church and nurtured our faith over the years.

Their leadership and guidance have been instrumental in helping our church thrive and grow. Each pastor has left an indelible mark on our hearts and our history, guiding us with wisdom and compassion.

Let us come together to celebrate and honor these remarkable individuals who have dedicated their lives to serving our parish. Their commitment to our spiritual well-being and their unwavering faith has been a source of strength and inspiration for us all.

Fr. Miller 1928 - 1968	Deceased Sept 20, 1980
Fr. Jon Bolger 1968 - 1979	-----
Cardinal Aloysius Ambrozic 1979 - 1987	Deceased Aug 26, 2011
Fr. John Pilkauskas 1987 - 1993	Currently retired
Fr. John Coppinger 1993 - 1996	Deceased Oct 22, 2018
Fr. John Kiesling 1996 - 1998	Deceased Nov 23, 2017)
Fr. Jose Kuriadath 1998 - 2005	Currently Director Rajagiri School of Engineering & Technology, Kochi, India
Fr. Isaac Chackalparampil 2005 - 2006	Retired, currently serving as chaplain at the Rajagiri Hospital at Aluva in Kerala, India
Fr. William Swift 2006 - 2009	Retired
Fr. Laurence Clark 2009 - 2011	Deceased Feb 17, 2011
Fr. Augustine Chan 2011 - 2013	Currently Chaplain to the Chinese University Students in the Archdiocese of Toronto
Fr. Roselle Azares 2013-2018	Currently Pastor at St. Margaret's Midland, Ontario
Fr. Godofredo Claudio 2019 - Present	Current Pastor



The Special Devotion Candle
Prayer Request: Alex Reynaldson
"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." *Proverbs 17:22*
as requested by: Peggy Leahy
Sept 10 to 17

Special Devotion Candle (Sanctuary Lamp near the Tabernacle) is available to burn for your intention for one week for \$20.00. Please call the parish office to book your lamp.



Children's Liturgy Word of the Lord
Starting Sept 22, Kids are invited to hear and experience God's Word at their level through stories, prayer, art and music. It's a quiet and fun way to involve your kids in worship and teach them the bible.

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