



St. Jerome's Parish

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
(closed for lunch, 12 - 1 p.m.)
Sunday: 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
(Between the Mass times, not during Mass)

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m. & 6 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday: 7 p.m.

Confession

Monday to Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday: 6:30 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.
No confession on weekends and major feast days.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please introduce yourselves to the priests after Mass and fill out our parish registration form and pick up a box of offertory envelopes. We are a vibrant community of faith and we hope you will feel a part of our parish family. Would you like to join any ministry? Please contact the ministry you are interested in.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms take place on Sundays, twice a month. Parents must participate in a preparation class before setting a date for their child's baptism. A baptismal registration form is available at the parish office on Sunday. Parents must be registered parishioners, for a minimum of six months, using offertory envelopes.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact one of the priests at least one year in advance. One must be a registered parishioner, using offertory envelopes. A date for the wedding will be set at the couple's first interview with the priest. A marriage course is required. For more information call the parish office.

Funeral

Please contact the Church before making plans with the Funeral home.

RCIA

The RCIA program, or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process designed for adults who wish to become Catholic or complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). It is a 9-month program – beginning in September and culminating at the Easter Vigil – designed to teach interested candidates what Catholics believe, how Catholics practice their faith, and what it means to be Catholic.

Candidates meet weekly for lectures and journey along other candidates, mature Catholics who act as mentors, and the program teachers. Interested candidates, please contact the parish office.

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Parish Committees

Building Advisory Committee
Decoration Committee
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Parish Picnic Committee
Volunteer Screening Committee

Parish Elementary Schools

Our Lady of Peace, 15 Fincham Dr. 905-452-7010
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St. Jacinta Marto, 40 Fallowfield Rd. 905-459-1931
St. Jean-Marie Vianney, 75 Jordenson Dr. 905-497-6888
St. Joseph, 8 Parkway Ave. 905-451-8501
St. Monica, 60 Sterritt Dr. 905-454-6346

Parish Secondary Schools

St. Augustine, 27 Drinkwater Rd. 905-450-9993
St. Roch, 200 Valleyway Dr. 905-456-8543

Saint Vincent de Paul Helpline:

(Must reside within the parish boundaries)

365-987-4162

Mass Intentions
September 28th – October 4th

Sunday, 8 a.m.

† Antonio Fernandes

Sunday, 12 p.m.

SI – Joanne Villahermosa

Sunday, 6 p.m.

† Leonida Palisol Tenorolas

Monday, 9 a.m.

† Anna & Ippolito Bozzo

Tuesday, 9 a.m.

† Adela De Guzman

Wednesday, 9 a.m.

† Rudy A. Bautista Sr.

† Charles & Riccarda
Schembri

Wednesday, 7 p.m.

† Terence Maddoz

† Marcus Pinto

Thursday, 9 a.m.

† Shervanthi Rajah

Friday, 9 a.m.

SI – To End World Conflict

SI - Angela Yogaretnam

† Adeladia & Victorino
Maximo

† Janet Ramikisoon

† Felix Yogaretnam &
Joseph Nesaratnam

Friday, 7 p.m.

TK – St. Jerome's
Parishioners

† Janet Ramikissoon

† Luke C. Kappen

Saturday, 9 a.m.

† Dorne Wilson & Daniel
McNeil

Saturday, 5 p.m.

† Cristeta Aquino

Please Pray for our Sick:

Alberto Arcuri, Cecilia
Barbosa, and Patrick
Vegas

**WEEKLY
OFFERTORY**

September 21st: \$8,160

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,



Two weeks ago, I had the privilege of attending a seminar with some of our parish leaders, reflecting on how we, as a parish community, can move from maintenance to mission. Very often, we are good at keeping the status quo. We can be enthusiastic when forming a new parish, creative in developing ministries, and welcoming when we are small and eager to grow. However, once we pass the initial struggles and become well established, we can easily resist changes or new challenges. This tendency is what we call “maintenance mode.” When a parish remains in this mode, our enthusiasm, eagerness to grow, openness to new ideas, and ability to welcome new members may begin to fade. Change is then seen as a threat rather than an opportunity, and the missionary spirit is diminished.

On Stewardship Sunday last week, Archbishop Frank Cardinal Leo reminded us: “In a world marked by division, consumption, and fear, true stewardship becomes an act of hope: a visible sign that we trust in something greater than ourselves.” With this in mind, I invite each of you to prayerfully consider joining at least one ministry in our parish. We are also beginning a few new ministries to help serve one another:

Bereavement Ministry (Ministry of Consolation): This ministry seeks to provide bereaved parishioners and their families with hope and comfort in times of loss. As members of Christ’s Body, we are called to care for the dying and to console those who mourn. Our goal is that no one in our parish community should grieve alone. The compassion of our loving God is shared through the presence and care of parishioners. Training will be provided for those who are interested.

Ministry of Skill & Development: This team will assist parishioners with practical resources—resume building, job searches, training, interview preparation, and language skills. If you have expertise in these areas and a desire to help others, please consider joining.

St. Jerome’s Guild: This is a joyful Friday gathering of parishioners who share their time and energy to care for our church. After the 9:00 am Mass, members come together for coffee and fellowship before engaging in cheerful, voluntary work to clean and tidy our parish. It is a simple yet meaningful way of serving the community—blending prayer, friendship, and hands-on care for the house of God.

Of course, our established ministries also continue to need your time and talents. Once again, I recall Cardinal Leo’s words: “As responsible stewards of God’s blessings, we are loving caretakers who manage and celebrate God’s gifts with reverence, gratitude, humility, and love.” May we, as one family in Christ, move from maintenance to mission, and together become true stewards of God’s abundant gifts.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. James Cherichal

111th World Day of Migrants & Refugees

Sunday, October 5, 2025

For the 111th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, the theme announced by His Holiness is “Migrants, Missionaries of Hope.” In his message, Pope Leo highlights the resilience of migrants and refugees who give witness to hope amidst very difficult circumstances. He reminds us that those who welcome migrants and refugees can also reflect this same hope. His message ends with a call to entrust all those who journey, and all those accompany them to the protection of the Virgin Mary, comfort of all migrants.



September 28, 2025

HEALING AND RECONCILIATION

October 4th & 5th Collection



National Day of Truth and Reconciliation is held each year on September 30th. This day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour Survivors of residential schools and those who support them. In a special way, we remember the children that never returned home. We recognize this painful history and, as a Catholic community, acknowledge our involvement in the residential school system. On this day, we pray, educate and advocate, looking for opportunities to discern how each one of us can participate in the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope.

In 2024, Archbishop Francis Leo has asked that all Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto offer a Mass on September 30th for the intention of ongoing healing and reconciliation with Indigenous People of This Land.

CYBER SECURITY TRAINING

Do you use the internet daily and are worried about keeping you and your information safe? The Knights of Columbus are hosting two sessions, one for the youth and one for the adults. Join us on **Saturday, November 15th at 7 p.m.** for the adult's and seniors' session.



MINISTRY OF SKILLS AND DEVELOPMENT

We are forming a Ministry of Skills and Development in our parish, whereby we can have a team to assist our parishioners with various resources, resume development, job searches, training, interview and language skills.

Develop skills in tailoring your resume and cover letter, customize your application to match the requirements, network actively with headhunters and job agencies, use LinkedIn to connect with professionals in your field, utilize job alerts, job board at parish and help with job postings!

If you have the expertise in this field and are willing to assist in this ministry, please sign up at the parish office.

HOLY ROSARY - MONTH OF OCTOBER



The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on **Sunday, October 7th**. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

Pope Benedict XVI in an address at the Basilica of St. Mary Major where he prayed the rosary with the faithful said: "Today, together we confirm that the Holy Rosary is not a pious practice banished to the past, like prayers of other times thought of with nostalgia... In the current world, so dispersive, this prayer helps to put Christ at the centre, as the Virgin did, who meditated within all that was said about her Son, and also

what he did and said. **During this month there will be exposition of the blessed Sacrament half hour before the weekend Sunday Masses and praying the Rosary.**

Please make every effort to join.



10 A.M. MASS

Children's Liturgy will start at the **10:00 a.m. Mass, Sunday, October 5th**. If you'd like to help our children experience the Word of God, please contact the parish office. Training will be provided to equip you with the best practices for facilitating Gospel reflections for children ages 5-7.

BLESSING OF PETS

Saturday, October 4th at 10 a.m.



In celebration of the Feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a special liturgy with the blessing of your pets on **Saturday, October 4th at 10 a.m. sharp**. The blessing will take place on the grass area, south side of the Church.



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