

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

+ Jill Haidinyak-Giustino & Judy Haidinyak  
Requested by The Nickols Family

### Wednesday, Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

+ Ulrike Licht  
Requested by Christopher Licht

### Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

+ Michael Higgins

### Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

+ Aiden Carr  
Requested by Maureen Carr

### Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

+ Des Gilling  
Requested by Rosemary Richard Schieman

## REST IN PEACE

In your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of:  
Jack Ryan, Mary McLean, Brian Pinto, Terrence Heath,  
Michael Higgins, Elwood Donnelly

## SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light burns this week for the intentions of  
Catherine Chang Wai Fan

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Philip Teixeira, John W., Paul Holliday, Gerry Genuino,  
Baby Isaiah Liam, Baby Owen, Patrick O'Neill, Jacob  
McLean, Elaine Atwood, Dawn Ruthven

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

### YOUR WORDS, LORD, ARE SPIRIT AND LIFE

Jesus brings healing, restoration, and freedom from sin and despair. Trust in Him with faith, and He will pour out His Spirit, renewing you with the joy of the Gospel and the strength to live with hope and love.

*Fill me with the joy of the Gospel and inflame my heart with a burning love for you and a deep thirst for your word.*

## PARISH NEWS / EVENTS

### CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION (EXTENDED)

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open and online on the website (<https://stjohnsto.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/confirmation/>) – please fill out the form and submit it by January 31, 2025.

### 2025 PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:

The 2025 Parish Offertory envelopes are available for pickup at the back of the church. Thank you for your contributions in supporting our parish.

### CALL TO MINISTRY:

Looking for a way to make a difference? Ministries need volunteers! If you're interested in sharing your time and talents, please speak with Fr. Joshua or contact the Parish Office to learn more.

#### 1. Parish Counters

Volunteers are organized into teams and each team gathers monthly to count the collections on Sundays, then deposits them into the bank.

#### 2. Hospitality Ministry

This ministry seeks to serve, welcome, and greet all peoples who walk through our doors here at St. John's who wish to participate in our faith community. We are looking for people to assist at our Saturday evening and Sunday morning liturgies.

#### 3. Liturgical Ministry

- **Lectors** – the call for readers to assist both at the weekday and weekend liturgies. Whether you are a young person or a person of experience, please consider serving at the Lector.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist** – the special call to be able to distribute communion to the faithful during Mass, but also to help bring the Eucharist to the sick if able.
- **Altar Servers** – the important call to serve at the Altar of the Lord, to help the Presider and the Deacon pray with the faithful but also help uplift our liturgy with your witness.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### MARRIAGE SUNDAY:

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass.

Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY VIRTUAL TRAINING:

The annual archdiocesan training for bereavement ministry training will be offered online on Thursdays, Feb. 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2025 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This training is designed for new and seasoned parish bereavement ministers. It will explore ways to begin a bereavement ministry in your parish or enhance your present bereavement ministry programs. Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass final assessment to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but registration is required. Capacity is limited, please register early. REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/BMT-RegisterFebMar2025> by February 18, 2025.

### 16TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Saturday March 22, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)

Closing Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Robert Kasun CSB

Register using this link: [www.dwf2025.eventbrite.ca](http://www.dwf2025.eventbrite.ca)

### VOCATIONS:

If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call, Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416.968.0997.

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE CHURCHES IN THE GTA:

We have identified holy places of worship in each of the major regions of the archdiocese to serve as pilgrimage destinations during the Jubilee Year. The locations are as follows:

<b>Archdiocese</b>	St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto
<b>Shrines</b>	Martyrs' Shrine, Midland
<b>Central Region</b>	St. Paul's Basilica St. Mary's, Toronto St. Edward the Confessor
<b>Western Region</b>	Our Lady of Sorrows, Etobicoke St. Mary's, Brampton
<b>Eastern Region</b>	St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough St. Gregory the Great, Oshawa
<b>Northern Region</b>	St. Padre Pio, Kleinburg St. Mary's, Barrie

### FROM THE OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH (OCY):

#### ❖ JUBILEE OF YOUTH

Join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a lifetime! Registration closes February 27<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

Young Adults (19-39)

Rome, Italy

July 23 - Aug.5, 2025

Email: [youth@archtoronto.org](mailto:youth@archtoronto.org) for more information

### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR:

Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER FOR THE ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR:

1. scan this QR code:

2. follow this QR link: [qrco.de/WebFeb01](http://qrco.de/WebFeb01)

3. send an email to:

[Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar February 1" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

