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# ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH



## Mission Statement

*"We are a growing, compassionate community of Catholic Christians, sharing our gifts and talents in service of others according to the teachings of Jesus Christ."*

**R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): A program for adults interested in becoming a Catholic, contact Monsignor Vid Vlasic for an interview or email [rcia.stjustin@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.stjustin@gmail.com).

**R.C.I.C.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children): A program for children over the age of 7 who are not baptized and/or have not received First Communion and/or Confession. Contact Rachel at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com)

**BAPTISM:** A registration form is available at the Parish website. A baptism preparation session is required. Contact the office for details and schedules.

**MARRIAGE:** The church requires one year's notice for planning a marriage. Also required is a marriage preparation course certificate from a recognized church or course provider.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If you are to be hospitalized for a serious operation, please come to the parish to be anointed by one of the priests.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

St. John XXIII Catholic School	905-477-3288
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St. Matthew Catholic School	905-475-0517
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## CONNECT WITH US!



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## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:30 am | 12:30 pm | 7:00 pm

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY - 9:10 am  
 WEDNESDAY - 7:00 pm (Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help)  
 FIRST FRIDAY - 9:10 am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 9:30 am – 10:00 am | 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  
 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
 Wednesday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm  
 Saturday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
 Sunday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm



Youth Ministry



## FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, 17 APRIL

9:10 AM +ALICE & ISAAC MENDES  
JOLET FELIPE  
BENJAMIN & CIRILLA SHAO

#### TUESDAY, 18 APRIL

9:10 AM +CASIANO PACLEB

#### WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL

7:00 PM +RAMON MONZON  
+BERNADETTE COLACO  
ALICE & NAKHOUL NAKHOUL

#### THURSDAY, 20 APRIL

9:10 AM +ARNOLD IANNUZZI  
EMMA WONG

#### FRIDAY, 21 APRIL

9:10 AM +BARTOLOME TUASON  
+FRANCIS FERNANDO  
+HENRY ST. BERNARD

#### SATURDAY, 22 APRIL

9:10 AM +ADELINA GUZICKI  
+CARLITO GONZALES

5:00 PM + SALLY DE JESUS

#### SUNDAY, 23 APRIL

8:30 AM +JOSE GATO  
ALBERT LAU  
10:30 AM PARISHIONERS  
12:30 PM +DORIS & DONALD HOO FATT  
+ROSALIE DE JESUS  
+MANUEL CHING  
7:00 PM +PASQUALINA &  
VALENTINO RAPONI

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 17 APRIL – 23 APRIL IS  
FOR THE INTENTION OF KWOK-PUI SHEN.

### PILGRIMAGE WITH MSGR. VID VLASIC Spain & France; October 1-11, 2023



Get your travel gear ready! Join the 11 day Pilgrimage under the spiritual leadership of Msgr. Vid Vlasic, to the monasteries and monuments of Catalonia & Provence from October 1-11, 2023.

The upcoming Information meeting is on Thursday, May 04, 2023 at 7 pm in the Church hall. For details, contact Msgr. Vid Vlasic through the Parish office.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

#### Receiving and Sharing Merciful Love

In 2000, when Pope John Paul II was canonizing St. Faustina, he declared that the Second Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire Church. This Sunday, let us reflect on Jesus who longs to forgive us and to shower His love and mercy on us. We should never tire of running to Him for healing. St. Therese of Lisieux says “even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus’ arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him.”

As good stewards of Christ we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to “instruct the ignorant” and “counsel the doubtful” by helping with parish catechesis ministries. We can also “forgive offenses” and “pray for the living and the dead” through personal prayer as well as by joining various prayer groups within the parish. Some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to “feed the hungry” and “clothe the naked” by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society. We can also “visit the sick” and “visit the imprisoned” by seeking ministries that care for the sick and elderly.

This Divine Mercy Sunday let us seek to be filled with God’s mercy. Let us then let His mercy overflow into our deeds within the parish so that we may become stewards of God’s merciful love.

### OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Saturday, April 22, 2023; 10:30 to 11 am



Due to your support and generosity, our next casserole delivery will be on Saturday, April 22, 2023. Frozen casseroles can be delivered into the parked car of Joy Vaz-Jones in the parish parking lot between 10:30 and 11:00 AM. Please sign up to participate by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/VtYV8tK51PPeN1AeA>. You can also email [joyvazjones@gmail.com](mailto:joyvazjones@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK; APRIL 16-22

Archdiocese of Toronto Volunteer Appreciation Week: 'Volunteering Weaves Us Together' will be celebrated from April 16-22, in alignment with Volunteer Canada's National Volunteer Week.

We take this time to thank and appreciate all our volunteers who selflessly serve our Parish community with their unique gifts that weave our community together, with the guiding example of Jesus Christ.

Everyday across the Archdiocese of Toronto, parishioners generously give their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the community and share the Gospel. We recognize that our parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship and are instrumental in all that we do. We thank each one of you, from the tireless work of Altar Servers, Lectors, Liturgical Hospitality teams/Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir Members, Collection Counters, Ministry Leaders, Audio Visual team, Craft and Needlework team to the faith-affirming efforts of Catechists, Lay Pastoral Visitors, RCIA team, Youth Ministry Team, Sacramental Preparation Team and Baptismal Preparation Team, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary, St. Vincent de Paul and so many other volunteers who dedicate their time and talent to serve our Lord and His Church.

## SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2023

[www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)



Our second ShareLife Collection will be on April 30.

When you give to ShareLife, you help people with developmental disabilities and their family members through an agency called Mary Centre. Here's how your contribution makes a difference in the lives of those served by this remarkable Catholic agency:

"Thank you to all who donate to ShareLife. With each donation we receive, we are able to attain our goals of assisting people in their efforts in building a good life, and also providing a safe place for people with a developmental disability to stay so that their families/caregivers and themselves can get some needed respite."

Please direct your donations online through [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca), or at [www.sharelife.org/donate](http://www.sharelife.org/donate).

## REGIONAL MASS TO WELCOME ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO



Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place in various regions as mentioned below. A reception will follow the Mass. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

Northern Region: Monday, April 17, 2023

St. Mary's Parish, Barrie at 7 pm

Eastern Region: Wednesday, April 26, 2023

St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering at 7 pm

Western Region: Wednesday, May 3, 2023

St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga at 7 pm

## VISIT OUR RELIGIOUS GIFT CUPBOARD



If you are looking for suitable Sacramental gift for yourself or your loved ones, consider visiting our Religious Gift Cupboard located at the front of the Church. We have new set of statues, rosaries, crosses and more.

## FREE MOVIE NIGHT

**"Mother Teresa, No Greater Love"**

**Saturday, April 29, 2023, at 6:30 pm**

The Knights of Columbus and the St Justin's Moms group are hosting a free movie night, Saturday, April 29 at 6:30 PM. "Mother Teresa, No Greater Love" will be playing at the Parish Hall. We offer complimentary pizza, popcorn, and drinks. Limited tickets are available and will be handed out after Masses over April 22/23 weekend.

## CHECK THE DATE BEFORE YOU DONATE

**Parish Food Cupboard Donations**



We sincerely thank all parishioners who have donated to our food cupboard for people experiencing food insecurity. We please ask that you check the "Best Before" or "Expiry"

dates before donating food items to our basket. We cannot ethically or legally distribute expired food to our families in need.

Your continued support is very much appreciated in feeding those in need.

We appreciate and recognize the impact our volunteers make by serving others with their unique gifts and talents. Our volunteers are an essential part of the fabric of our faith community.

# Thank You!

**Volunteering Weaves Us Together**

Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 16-22, 2023



**#WeavingUsTogether #NVW2023 #ThankYouArchTOVolunteers**

*"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6*



Archdiocese  
of Toronto

# Pilgrimage to Spain & France

## “Monasteries and Monuments of Catalonia and Provence”

Under spiritual leadership of Msgr. Vid Vlastic, Pastor  
St. Justin Martyr Parish, Unionville

October 1 – 11, 2023 11 days \$4,990.00 (Toronto Dep. incl. all taxes and tips)



- Oct. 01** Evening departure from Toronto to Barcelona.
- Oct. 02** Morning arrival in Barcelona. Upon arrival we are transferred to our hotel in Tarragona, some free time for rest. Late afternoon a walking tour of this ancient Roman city, including views of Roman amphitheatre, aqueduct and city walls. Return to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 03** Full day in Tarragona region of Catalonia. We visit the monastery of Poblet dated back to 13<sup>th</sup> century and still occupied by Cistercian monks. Continue to Santes Creus to visit another mediaeval Cistercian monastery. Mass, return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 04** Today we travel to Montserrat to visit enchanting Benedictine monastery and the Black Madonna of Montserrat where we celebrate Mass. Continue to Barcelona and visit the Temple of Sacred Heart of Jesus in Tibidado. Some free time, evening dinner and flamenco show in a local restaurant and overnight.
- Oct. 05** Full day in Barcelona. Our tour of the capital city of Catalonia features the Columbus Monument, elegant tree lined “Ramblas”, Plaza de Catalonia, Paseo de Gracia, the Cathedral and the famous church of Sagrada Familia where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 06** This morning we travel to Girona where we visit the old city and the cathedral. After Mass continue to Abbaye de Fontfroide, former Cistercian monastery near Narbonne in France. Dinner and overnight in Avignon.
- Oct. 07** Today we explore sights and atmosphere of beautiful Provence. We travel to and visit mediaeval monastery of Abbaye Senanque. Lunch will be offered at one of the local wineries. Continue to Nimes, “the most Roman city outside Italy” with many remnants of Roman architecture including Arena of Nimes, the Maison Carrée and famous aqueduct and bridge Pont du Gard built in the first century AD. Return to our hotel for overnight. Dinner on your own.
- Oct. 08** After breakfast we will visit and tour Palais des Papes, home for Roman Catholic popes for 67 years in the 14<sup>th</sup> century and the Cathedral. Afternoon we continue via Bonnieux and its ancient Romanesque church to Aix-en-Provence for dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 09** Full day in charming Aix de Provence. Our walking tour will take us to The Cours Mirabeau, city's main thoroughfare, the Cathedral of the Holy Saviour, the city hall and The Quartier Mazarin. Afternoon some free time for own exploration, dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 10** This morning we visit Marseille, the second largest city in France. Our tour will include the Old Port, guarded by two massive forts, the city hall, the Porte d'Aix, the cathedral and the Abbey of Saint-Victor, one of the oldest places of Christian worship in Europe. Afternoon we are transferred by train to Paris for dinner and overnight.
- Oct. 11** After leisureable breakfast we are shuttled to the airport for a flight to Toronto. Evening arrival.

**Information Meeting: Thurs, May 4 at 7 pm in the Church Hall**

Travel arrangements by: 877-999-8868

416-444-6666

For information and registrations call:

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