



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 Vlastic for an interview or email 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

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.

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St. John XXIII Catholic School	905-477-3288
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St. Justin Martyr

Youth
Ministry



SJM youthmin

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 & 7pm 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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 04 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +PASQUALE MANTINI
+REYMUNDO S.L. CASTRO

TUESDAY, 05 DECEMBER

9:10 AM AGATHA YUNG SHOU LIM

WEDNESDAY, 06 DECEMBER

7:00 PM +VINCENT D'SOUZA
+ALAN D'SOUZA
LUKE LEUNG

THURSDAY, 07 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +DORIS & DONALD HOO FATT
+EVARISTO CIMINI
REV. MSGR. VID VLASIC

FRIDAY, 08 DECEMBER

9:10 AM

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY, 09 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +FRANCISCO MARTINEZ

5:00 PM +HON YEE LEUNG
+THOMAS MARIE REGO
+ASHLEY VASQUEZ
+HEREDIAN PO

SUNDAY, 10 DECEMBER

8:30 AM +BILLY ASARO
+ATTY EDMUND ALTUNA

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +FRANCIS FERNANDO

7:00 PM Available

SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 04 DEC – 10 DEC IS
AVAILABLE.

ST. JUSTIN MARTYR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2023

Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 3 pm



St. Justin Martyr Music Ministry joyfully and proudly presents the 2023 Annual Christmas Concert – “He Is The Gift!”

The concert features: St Justin Martyr Choirs, Children’s Choir, Seven on 7 and the Canon String Quartet. Come and celebrate with us on Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 3 pm. See our flyer below.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

Preparing Ourselves for Christ

This First Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. The readings during this time of preparation focus on making us aware that it is time to rouse from our sleep and prepare for the Lord’s coming. Jesus says in the Gospel to “keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come.”

Advent and Christmas are also often times of lights. Whether it be lights on an advent wreath, a Christmas tree or festive lights decorating the house. However, above all these lights is Jesus, the true light of the world. This Advent we should strive to let the light of Jesus into our hearts so that it may even illumine and cleanse the dark and sinful areas of our lives. Our stewardship should reflect that light of Christ to others, so let us first be filled with what we seek to share.

One great way to invite the light of Christ into our lives is to seek God’s cleansing healing in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Across the Archdiocese every parish will be hosting an Advent Day of Confessions in which several priests will be available to hear confessions. This is a beautiful opportunity to ready ourselves for the coming of our Saviour on Christmas morning. Let us strive to be reconciled with God and as stewards, let us try to invite our family and friends to join us.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION



Our parish’s Annual Advent Reconciliation schedule is as follows:

Monday, December 18, 2023

9:30 am– 11 am

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm (Guest Priests available)

This will be your last major opportunity for Confessions before Christmas. Contact the Parish Office for assistance, if needed.

CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE:

Visit www.stjustin.ca or see our Flyer below for details.

ANNUAL CARING & SHARING PROGRAM Until December 10, 2023



Our Annual Caring & Sharing Program is underway and runs until December 10. The families that we sponsor are experiencing extra financial pressures this year and really need our help. So please be as generous as you can. We are asking for donations of PC, Loblaws or

Walmart gift cards in the amount of either \$25 or \$50 which can be deposited in the offertory box in the foyer or dropped off at the Parish Office (weekdays 9 am-3 pm) or the secure mailbox outside the parish office. You can also participate with a donation cheque made out to "St. Justin Martyr Church - Caring & Sharing". We are accepting these donations from now until December 10, 2023.

Each sponsored family will be receiving these gift cards in time for them to purchase the Christmas gifts and food that they need for the holidays. This is the 28th year that our parish has undertaken to help families in need at Christmas. With your generosity we can make it happen again!

If you have any questions email Kathy Crupi at crupifamily@rogers.com.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM Sundays at 10:30 am



If you have a child or children from Senior Kindergarten to Grade 3, bring them to the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays. Our Children's Liturgy program resumes from Sunday, December 3 onwards and runs

parallel to the Mass at the same time. The liturgy focuses on the day's readings in a format comprehensible by children, led by trained and experienced leaders.

PREMIUM POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS Pickup on Weekends, December 9/10, 2023



Thank you all for your orders for the Catholic Women's League Poinsettias. Your orders can be picked up on the weekend of December 9 and 10, 2023 after the Masses.

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2023 Donation Matching Program Until December 31



Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until December 31, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched up to \$500,000. Please direct your donations through www.sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish using an envelope. Thank you for your generosity.

Congratulations Msgr. Vid Vlasic! Congratulations to Msgr. Vid Vlasic on this 44th year of Priesthood, on December 8, 2023. May God Almighty continue to bless you as you shepherd your flock at St. Justin's.

SSVP BUNDLE UP COLLECTION Thank You For Your Contributions!



We thank all families that made this Bundle Up Weekend a success. Your generous contributions will help many families in need. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. May God bless you and your families with hope, peace, joy and love this season of Advent!

OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM Saturday, December 16, 2023; 10:30 to 11 am

With your support and generosity, Out of the Cold Casserole program had been successful in feeding those in need. Our next casserole delivery will be on Saturday, December 16, 2023. Frozen casseroles can be delivered into the parked car of Joy Vaz-Jones in the parish parking lot between 10:30 and 11 am. Please sign up to participate by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/oehSbPLSdVa5bYQf9>. You can also email joyvazjones@gmail.com or call the parish office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!

MOVING: PLEASE INFORM THE PARISH OFFICE:



Parishioners are reminded to notify the parish office of any change of address. This will help us keep the parish databases up to date and reduce future costs and administrative effort. Thank you for your cooperation.

2024 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**Available at the Church foyer**

You are welcome to pick up Offertory envelopes for the year 2024 from the foyer leading to the Church.

If you are picking an unlabeled envelope, please ensure you print your full name, address, and phone number during your first few donations. This is to ensure you receive a tax receipt during the upcoming tax year.

If you need assistance, contact the Parish Office.

2023 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE**Congratulations Winners!****Twilight Event 2023 Door Prize Winners:**

Josie Camaganacan

Grace Wan

Lawrence Wong

Cathy Wilson

Craft Sale 2023 Raffle Prize Winners:

Village Grocer Basket

American gild ensemble

Ceramic vinegar jar

Nativity wall hanging

Nativity with walnut stand

Snow globe angel

Chopping board

Markham Theatre tickets

Christmas goodie basket

Sean Chai Chong

Maureen Fernando

James Choi

Sylvie Lan

Enri Gagalang

Angela Tan

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Des Leong

Fadia Mishrigi

Thank You All! – To all the crafters and bakers, thank you for your donations and for sharing your time, and talents with us in making the Annual Christmas Sale a success. To everyone who came by to support the sale, we are much thankful.

May God be gracious to you and bless you in plenty. Happy Advent!

BAPTISMS AT ST. JUSTIN'S**From Infants upto children, 7 years of age**

If you are looking forward to Baptizing your child with us, visit www.stjustin.ca, call 905-479-2463 or email stjustinmartyrun@archtoronto.org.

FORMED PICK**Advent: Rethinking the Season by Dr. Tim Gray**

Advent is an odd season. Unlike most other seasons, it's a season that isn't about itself, but is instead about preparing for Christmas. But that reality often gets lost in the shuffle and stress of trying to find all the right gifts, decorations, and dinner ingredients. In this Lighthouse Talk audio presentation, Dr. Tim Gray uses storytelling and the readings of the Old Testament to explain that we need to live the 'pre-season' of Advent well, so we can be prepared to welcome and receive the greatest gift God the Father wants to give us at Christmas: His Son, Jesus..

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ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION**Last Date: December 15, 2023**

Our archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, visit:

www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a brief survey by December 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights.

The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas, and discernment.



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CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM
Sunday, December 24, 2023 9:00 PM, 11:00 PM
Regular Sunday Masses at 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Christmas Masses 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
Monday, December 25, 2023 12:30 PM



New Year's Eve Mass
Sunday, December 31, 2023

7:00 PM



Regular Sunday Masses at 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm

New Year's Mass
Monday, January 1, 2024

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM
7:00 PM

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ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH Annual Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 3 p.m.

“For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government will be upon His shoulder and His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” - Isaiah 9:6

He Is The Gift!



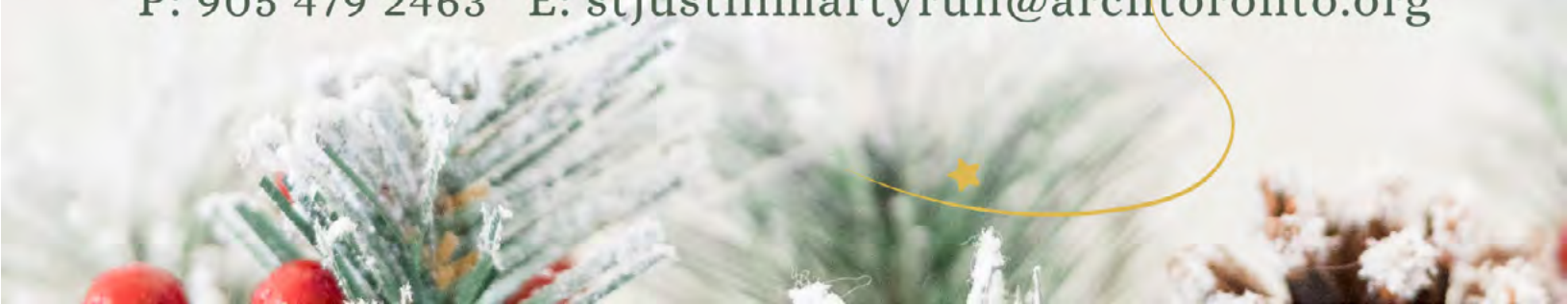
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1 Corinthians 13:4-7 ESV




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