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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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## **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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, 20 MARCH

9:10 AM +FRANCISCO &  
VIOLETA MARTINEZ  
VICTOR & SALLY DE JESUS

#### TUESDAY, 21 MARCH

9:10 AM +JOHN EVANGELIST LING  
ELISHA GERARDO

#### WEDNESDAY, 22 MARCH

7:00 PM PABLO ORELLANA

#### THURSDAY, 23 MARCH

9:10 AM +GERTRUDES GERARDO

#### FRIDAY, 24 MARCH

9:10 AM +MARIA FE CELESTE SALVANI  
+BELEN NORAN  
+HERMENILDA KLEIN  
7:00 PM Available

#### SATURDAY, 25 MARCH

9:10 AM +JAMES CHOW  
+TERESA WU  
JONATHAN CHANG  
5:00 PM +CECILIA CHAN  
+CATHERINE TERRILL  
NEIL ARCHER  
TONY CHUCK  
COLEEN & PETER ALLUM

#### SUNDAY, 26 MARCH

8:30 AM +FRANK DENC SHAZI SR.  
10:30 AM PARISHIONERS  
12:30 PM +FRANCIS FERNANDO  
7:00 PM ONOFRIO GARCEA

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 20 MARCH – 26 MARCH IS  
AVAILABLE.

### CWL EASTER FUNDRAISER



The Catholic Women's League at St. Justin's is happy to offer another year of Easter Fundraiser. We have beautiful plant arrangements, hydrangeas, lilies and a selection of Aunt Sarah's chocolates. Place your order after Masses (except 7 pm) on the weekends of March 18/19. All proceeds are directed towards ShareLife. See flyer for details.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

#### True Recovery of Sight



In today's Gospel we encounter Jesus healing a man who was born blind. In all of the Bible, this is the only healing of a man blind since birth, whereas other healings were of temporary blindness. The uniqueness of this great mystery offers us the ability to richly reflect on what it means to be good stewards of Christ.

Firstly, while the man was healed of his physical sight, the more remarkable miracle was his ability to grasp Jesus' true identity. When Jesus reveals to him that He is the Son of Man, the blind man boldly responds, "Lord, I believe." The blind man did not come to this realization on his own, but it was the Lord's working in his life that led him to this change of heart.

So too in all of us, it is the Lord and His grace that brings about our interior conversion. We must never fall into the temptation that our faith and charity is the result of our own strength or abilities. After the blind man's encounter, it says "he worshipped Him." As good stewards we should seek to imitate his example, falling down in thanksgiving and adoration for all of the grace and gifts the Lord has poured into our lives. Let us take a moment today to praise God most especially for the gifts of our Catholic faith and the Church.

### LENTEN RETREAT With Deacon Robert Kinghorn



All are invited for a Lenten Retreat of prayer and reflections on Monday, March 20 & Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30 pm by Deacon Robert Kinghorn. Deacon Kinghorn is an award-winning columnist with The Catholic Register and provides street ministry for the poor, the ill, the addicted, and the homeless in one of the roughest parts of Toronto. Please see our flyer below for details.

**Stations of the Cross:** We will be praying Stations of the Cross, following the 7 pm Mass on all Fridays, until Easter. Join us for a Lenten season filled with prayer and penance.





**LENTEN CONFESSIONS**

The Lenten Confessions (Reconciliation) at St. Justin's is scheduled for the following dates and time:

**Tuesday, March 28**  
from 10 am to 12 noon  
**Thursday, March 30**  
from 6-8 pm



All are welcome to join us as this will be your last opportunity to reconcile before the Holy Week.

*\*We will be continuing the regular confessions on Saturdays at 9:40 – 10 am and 4-4:45 pm, as usual until April 01, 2023.*

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE****Palm Sunday (April 01/02, 2023)**

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 7 pm  
(Only 10:30 am Mass is livestreamed)

*\*Tuesday, April 04, 2023, Mass at 9 am*

**THE GREAT TRIDUUM****Holy Thursday****Mass of the Lord's Supper (April 06, 2023)**

Thursday: 7:30 pm

**Good Friday Services (April 07, 2023)**

9 am, 12 noon and 3 pm

*\*Stations of the Cross at 7 pm*

**Easter Vigil (April 08, 2023)**

Saturday at 8 pm

*(No 9:10 am or 5 pm Mass, No Confessions)*

**Easter Sunday (April 09, 2023)**

8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 7 pm

*(Only 10:30 am Mass is livestreamed)*

**MARCH IS BABY MONTH!**

The Knights of Columbus is organizing their annual collection of baby items for Mothers and Babies in need. During Baby Month, you can drop off items such as baby food (with extended expiry dates), formula, disposable diapers, (newborns to pullups), new receiving blankets, baby wipes, baby oils, shampoo, sleepers & baby & toddler clothing (newborn to 24 months). Your gifts may be placed in the Church hallway (near the Tree of Life).

*\*Please donate new items or items in excellent condition.*

**PILGRIMAGE: INFO SESSION**

**Sunday, March 26 at 1:30 pm**

We invite everyone interested in joining Msgr. Vid Vlastic the pilgrimage to France and Spain in October 2023, to attend an information session on Sunday, March 26 at 1:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Please see our flyer for details regarding the pilgrimage.

**YCDSB KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS  
2023-2024 School Year Registrations are Open**

The York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB) is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for children born in the year 2019. York Catholic provides a Christ-centered, innovative Catholic education in its 102 schools across York region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked one of the top performing school boards in the province. You can visit [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca) to register for classes for your children, starting September 2023.

**INSTALLATION OF BISHOP FRANCIS LEO**

**Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 10 am**



The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25, at 10 a.m. Given capacity restrictions at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event.

The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live) and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: [www.slmedia.org](http://www.slmedia.org).

## SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2023

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

Today we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph and reflect on his holy life and the way he loved and cared for Jesus and Mary.

March 26 is ShareLife Sunday. May we emulate St. Joseph's example and share our blessings with the least of our brothers and sisters. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees has launched its 2023 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This program assists parishioners who would like to sponsor family members who are in need of refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor. Interested parishioners are asked to provide the funds that will be required for sponsorship.

## FORMED PICK

## Living Lent as a Family – 4 Part Series



Have you ever wanted to live more liturgically but not known how? We want to help all families by

providing these discussions on liturgical living during Lent to be a resource for the Domestic Church—the home. We pray that these discussions bless you and your family.

Part 1 - John and Mary Sehorn

Part 2 - Keenan and Bri Fitzpatrick

Part 3 - Bill and Lisa Patteron

Part 4 - Kevin and Lisa Cotter

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## BAPTISMS AT ST. JUSTIN'S

## From Infants upto children, 7 years of age



Are you a parent? Are you planning to get your child Baptized? If you are looking forward to Baptizing your child with us, visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca), call 905-479-2463 or email [stjustinmartyrun@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjustinmartyrun@archtoronto.org).

## MATURING ADULTS MINISTRY

## New Members are Welcome!

If you are a senior, 65 years or older, join us for fun gatherings, informative sessions, meet with friends and more. Our Maturing Adult ministry meets once a month. Call our office or email [karen@stjustin.ca](mailto:karen@stjustin.ca) for more details.

*\*Our next meeting is on Tuesday, March 21 at 10 am in the Parish Hall.*

## SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT

One of the most financially soundways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust, and many others. For further information, contact the development office at 416 934 3400 Ext. 519 or email to [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org).

## TORONTO RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND

Friday, April 21 to Sunday, April 23

## Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre

Retrouvaille is for couples whose marriage needs a tune up or even a major overhaul. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples. It is Catholic in origin and outlook but open to people of all faiths. It begins with a weekend experience and continues with a series of follow up sessions. For registrations and details, contact 437 234 5610 or visit <http://torontoretrovaille.com>.

## YOUTH INTERFAITH VIDEO CONTEST

The Office for Interreligious Dialogue invites High School students to participate in the Youth Interfaith Video Contest sponsored by the Dominican Friars of Toronto in collaboration with The Catholic Register, and Salt + Light Media. For complete contest details, please see the poster at <https://bit.ly/3ZF99kF>.



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# *Easter Fundraiser*

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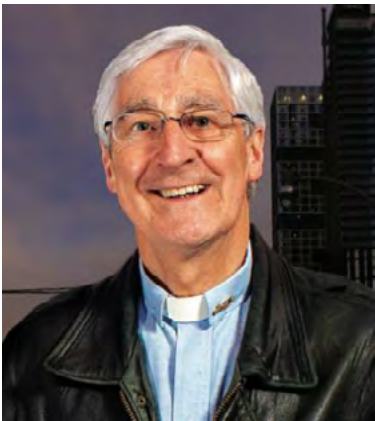
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# Lenten Retreat 2023

**“Ours Were the Sufferings He Bore”**

**Isaiah 53:4**

**By Deacon Robert Kinghorn**



Deacon Kinghorn is an award-winning columnist with The Catholic Register and provides street ministry for the poor, the ill, the addicted, and homeless in one of the roughest parts of Toronto.

**Day 1: “The Cry from the Streets”**

**Monday, March 20 at 7:30 pm**

**Day 2: “Who Shall I send”**

**Wednesday March 22 at 7:30 pm**

**(following the 7 pm mass)**

**All are welcome!**

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# Pilgrimage to Spain & France

## “Monasteries and Monuments of Catalonia and Provence”

Under spiritual leadership of Msgr. Vid Vlasic, 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 Monserrat 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 Nîmes, "the most Roman city outside Italy" with many remnants of Roman architecture including Arena of Nîmes, 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 leisurable breakfast we are shuttled to the airport for a flight to Toronto. Evening arrival.

**Information Meeting: March 26 at 1:30 pm in Church Hall**

Travel arrangements by: **877-999-8868**  
**416-444-6666**

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**For information and registrations call:**

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