

# 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 Iesus 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.

**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.

#### 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 & 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**

9:00 am – 3:00 pr
9:00 am - 5:00 pr
9:00 am - 7:00 pr
9:00 am - 1:00 pr
9:00 am - 2:00 pr



#### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, 26 AUGUST** 

9:10 AM +HENRY WONG-SING

+ANITA LIM

**TUESDAY, 27 AUGUST** 

9:10 AM +SHEILA ANNE SKINNER

+CHING TUNG WOO

**WEDNESDAY, 28 AUGUST** 

7:00 PM +NICOLINO MARTELLA

+EVA & PIERO TURBIAN +GIUSEPPE & CARMINA

MARTELLA

+GIOVANNA & CARMINE FAIELLA

LYNETTE & GERALD WONG-HING

**THURSDAY, 29 AUGUST** 

9:10 AM +MARY & JOHNNY CANNATA

+EDWARD CHUNG CHRISTOPHER KONG RENEE LEE WAH FAMILY

FRIDAY, 30 AUGUST

**9:10 AM** +MARIA NG

+IDA MADEIRA

ADELINA & INOCENCIO QUE

**SATURDAY, 31 AUGUST** 

9:10 AM +NICHOLAS WONG

+VON VINCENT CASTRO

**REV. JIBIN JOY** 

5:00 PM Available SUNDAY, 01 SEPTEMBER

**8:30 AM** +GREGORIO CARDELLI

PAUL TAM

**10:30 AM** PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +MICHAEL BINGREN CHUA

+RAUL DIONISIO

+ARMANDO REIS

7:00 PM +THOMAS VITALE

#### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

FOR THE WEEK OF 26 AUGUST – 01 SEPTEMBER IS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF AUDREY LUE & FAMILY.

#### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM



The Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G) Program is to assist you with supporting our parish through your regular offerings. When you enroll in P.A.G., your specified offering will be

withdrawn on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. You will also receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. You may withdraw from P.A.G. anytime. Thank you to all the families who have enrolled thus far. If you wish to, enrollment forms are available in the Church foyer or at the Parish Office.

## STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS Jesus, I Trust in You



The Gospel this weekend concludes Jesus' teaching on the Bread of Life, and we see many disciples who were with Jesus

beginning to leave because they were unable to accept Jesus' words. Jesus' teaching was difficult to accept, and instead of softening the gravity of his words to keep everyone around, Jesus says "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father."

Jesus knew that following him is a difficult task. Only those who are chosen by the Father, and willing to take up the hardships that come with belief in Christ can follow Jesus to the end.

The crowd slowly begins to dwindle, from five thousand disciples down to the twelve, whom Jesus turns and asks if they also will leave. Peter responds with a beautiful confession of faith, saying "Lord to whom shall we go, you have the words of eternal life."

What differentiated the Twelve Apostles from the disciples was simply trust. The teaching of Jesus would have been just as difficult for the twelve to grapple with, however, they believed that Jesus was truly the son of God. Their trust in the person of Jesus, the man whom they've spent all this time with, and the man who performed these miracles in their midst, wasn't wavered because of the unbelief of the crowds

The decision to follow and trust in Jesus in completely in our hands. As in the first reading of Joshua, when the Israelites approached the promised land, they had the option to go back to where they came from, for the road of a Christian is not easy. Before them were great obstacles, yet behind them was an easy life. When we are faced with a similar decision, how do we respond? It has become increasingly difficult to be authentically Christian in a world which is not. To be able to truly live out our calling as stewards, we must know Jesus and trust him. The best way to know Jesus is through his word. Let us spend time this week immersed in the scripture, getting to know our Lord.

#### **OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM Looking For Driving Volunteers**



We are looking for volunteers **VOLUNTEER** with valid license to drive the prepared Out of the Cold Casseroles from the Church

to 412 Queen Street East, Toronto. The casseroles are to be delivered once a month on the following Saturdavs:

2024 dates: Oct 05, Nov 16, Dec 14

2025 dates: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 22, Apr 12, May 17,

You may volunteer to drive for more than one date, if possible. High School students who assist their parents with the casseroles will get 3 volunteer hours. For more information, please contact Joy Vaz-Jones at joyvazjones@gmail.com.

#### **SEASON OF CREATION 2024** September 01 – October 04

The annual event of the Season of Creation begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology). This year's theme is "To hope and act with Creation" and the symbol is "The first fruits of hope," inspired by Romans 8:19-25.



The Season ofCreation challenges the entire global Christian family to care for God's through prayer creation action. Pope Francis in his message for the 'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation'

this year stresses that Christians are called to live in faith and charity, caring for the environment is "a task to be undertaken freely, in obedience to Jesus' commandment of love." Scan the QR code to read the full message from Pope Francis.

EMAIL SCAM ALERT: There has been a sharp



increase in the amount fake/scam emails being received by parishioners throughout the archdiocese. These emails appear to be from a priest and

often request the purchase of gift cards or electronic payments. Please exercise caution should you receive an email like this and contact the parish via telephone to validate its authenticity.



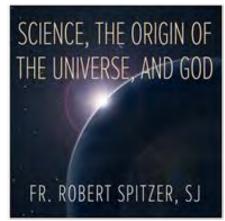
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#### FORMED PICK

Science, the Origin of the Universe, & God by Fr. Robert Spitzer



All too often, science is falsely pitted against Faith to disprove the tenants of Christianity. In this informative talk, Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ-expert in physics, philosophy, and theology—debunks this powerful myth as he discusses the Big Bang and the origin of the universe with sound reason, credible science, and faithful theology. This talk is a mustlisten for anyone wrestling with the biggest questions regarding science and Faith.

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