

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.

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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Youth

Ministry

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 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



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 25 AUGUST

9:10 AM +LORETTA D'SYLVA

+MAUREEN ALI TERESA WONG

TUESDAY, 26 AUGUST

9:10 AM +REYNALDO GALVEZ

+VALERIANO ATROSO

RACHEL MARTINEZ

WEDNESDAY, 27 AUGUST

7:00 PM +NICOLINO MARTELLA

+EVA & PIERO TURBIAN +GIUSEPPE & CARMINA

MARTELLA

+GIOVANNA & CARMINE FAIELLA

+CHING TUNG WOO

THURSDAY, 28 AUGUST

9:10 AM SAMPATH WIJAYASINHA

FRIDAY, 29 AUGUST

9:10 AM +MARY & JOHNNY CANNATA

+JASSO MIGUEL OLIVEIRA RENEE LEE WAH & FAMILY

SATURDAY, 30 AUGUST

9:10 AM +NICHOLAS WONG

+MARIA NG

+VERNON D'SYLVA +CHAN MEI-KENG

5:00 PM LISA & MICHAEL GAUDET

SUNDAY, 31 AUGUST

8:30 AM +PETER FORDE

+CYNTHIA CASTOR EUFEMIA MARANAN

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM LISA & MICHAEL GAUDET

7:00 PM +FRANCESCO CENITI

SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 25 AUGUST – 31 AUGUST IS FOR THE SOULS OF ANGEL & TRINIDAD TESORO.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Communion & Confirmation - Stay Tuned



As the new school year begins, we are getting ready for the Sacramental Preparation Programs for children going to Grade 2 or above (First Communion) and children going to Grade 7 or above

(Confirmation). Registrations are to begin soon. Please look out for our bulletins, announcements and website for more details. If you have questions, reach out to our Parish Office.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS The Narrow Path



"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." This teaching of Jesus is a hard one to wrestle

with in a world that is consumed with comfort and luxury. People don't want to hear about sacrifice, denial of self, and teachings that are uncomfortable to preach. Many would rather live their lives in the way they see fit while simultaneously hoping to reap the benefits of heaven.

This form of 'Christianity' where everyone is saved with little to no effort is a fantasy that encourages a life contrary to the Gospel. As much as we may wish for this to be the case, the readings today (Isaiah 66.18-21; Hebrews 12.5-7, 11-13; Luke 13.22-30) remind us that following Jesus is about taking up our cross and following him. To be authentic disciples and stewards, we must heed the words of St. Paul to the Hebrews and be willing to subject ourselves to the discipline of the Lord. We must strive to be humble like Jesus, gladly taking up our cross and following him.

Let us not walk the path that is broad and smooth, with many comforts and luxuries along the way, for this is the path that leads to destruction. Rather, let us strive to be like the saints and walk the narrow path, which is hard and difficult but leads to life everlasting with the Lord. As stewards, we are called to give of ourselves and to be willing to travel this narrow path. One way to do this is through sacrifice and fasting. Let us take up the practice this week of offering some comfort up to the Lord so that we can better orient ourselves to the narrow path of life.

MISSION CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM Collection on Weekend of August 30/31, 2025

The Archdiocesan Mission Co-Operative Program plays a great role in connecting parishes with Catholic churches in others parts of the world. Through this appeal, our local Catholic community learns about the mission works of the Church and will have the opportunity to offer their financial support. This year, we have Fr. Sagara Prishantha Perera, Director -Joseph Vaz Institute, SriLanka as our speaker. Kindly open your hearts to their mission.

SSVP BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM Thanks to Everyone's Help



Your donations this year will help many families in need to purchase school supplies for their

children. We thank you all for your generosity and kindness towards this cause. May God bless you and your families.

EMPTY BOTTLE PROGRAM Drop-In Bottles near the Church Garage



The Knights at St. Justin Martyr are continuing the Empty Bottle Program. Please drop off empty bottles (beer, wine, liquor

bottles and cans, but not pop bottles please) in the bins placed near the Parish garage at the rear end of the Church. Thank you for your continued support.

OUR LADY WANTS TO VISIT YOUR HOME Make Your Requests



"The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life." – Pope Leo XIII. If you wish to host Our Lady of Grace (Pilgrim Virgin) in your home at the requested date and

time of your choosing, contact Denise at MaryQMartyrs@hotmail.com. The Legion of Mary at St. Justin's will coordinate the visit with you upon your request. May the Holy Mother protect you and your home.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM



The Pre-Authorized Giving Program is to assist you with supporting our parish through your regular offerings. When you enroll in Pre-Authorized Giving Program (P.A.G.), your specified offering will be withdrawn on the 20th 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 join, enrollment forms are available in the Parish foyer or at the Parish Office.

SHARELIFE 2025 Your Help is Their Blessing

"Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need." - Frank Cardinal Leo



Your donation to ShareLife makes a difference to many in our community who are in need. Please remember the

poor among us. Kindly give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE Register at www.bit.ly/4lCNCDA



Many Catholics want to read the Bible but get stuck by the long stretches that seem not to make sense or get lost among the sea of

Old Testament names and places. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, an eight-week Bible study, helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, so you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about.

St. Justin Martyr Parish will begin the "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" study on Thursday, September 11. Participants will meet every Thursday or Saturday for eight weeks, to view an engaging video presentation, followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. To register for the study or for more information, please visit www.stjustin.ca or contact the parish office.

*There will be a material cost of \$40 per person.

SEASON OF CREATION 2025 September 01- October 04 "Peace with Creation"

The Season of Creation challenges the entire global Christian family to care for God's creation through prayer and action. 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, the patron saint of ecology. This year's theme is "Peace with Creation" and the symbol is "Garden of Peace", inspired by Isaiah 32:14-18. May God bless everyone that we may receive the grace to respect and care for His creation.





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