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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.

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.

ANOIDTING 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
St. Justin Martyr Catholic School	905-474-0284
St. Matthew Catholic School	905-475-0517
St. Monica Catholic School	905-887-1560
St. Augustine Catholic High School	905-887-6171

Third Sunday of Advent

"Lord, come and save us."



CONNECT WITH US!

PASTOR	Msgr. Vid Vlasic
ASSOCIATE PASTOR	Rev. Ryan Nigli
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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

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



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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 15 DECEMBER

9:10 AM GENEROSA FLORIO

TUESDAY, 16 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +PAZ GO YAP
+MARIAMMA MATHEW
ANNIE & SAM LAU

WEDNESDAY, 17 DECEMBER

7:00 PM +AUGUSTINE UHM
+FRANCIS TONG
+CESARE RIZZUTO
BENJAMIN SHAO
ANTONIETTA PUCCI

THURSDAY, 18 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +VERNON D'SYLVA
+MARIA & JOHN TSO
+JOHN IVAN VLASIC

FRIDAY, 19 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +JOSE VESTAL SR.
+FUNG SIN YUEN
LYNETTE WONG-HING

SATURDAY, 20 DECEMBER

9:10 AM +GEORGES FANG LING KWAI-PUN
+MICHAEL KWOK
+JOHN TWADDLE

5:00 PM +ARNOLD IANNUZZI
+DULCIE & ALBERT CHUCK
ARTURO & NORMA BIHIS
VICKY TON & FAMILY
JENNY NICOLE WONG & FAMILY

SUNDAY, 21 DECEMBER

8:30 AM +BASTI MARIATHASAN
SAVANNAH SILVA
GERRY & CECILLE SAMBILAY

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +CHARLES TSE
+MAXIMINO MAYNIGO
+ANNA & LEONARDO PALANDRA

7:00 PM +VIRGINIA VIGI SANTIAGO
SARAH WILKINSON

SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 15 DECEMBER – 21 DECEMBER
IS AVAILABLE.

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 database up to date and reduce future costs and administrative effort. Thank you for cooperation.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

Rejoicing Amidst the Darkness



“Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” These are the words proclaimed in the entrance antiphon of

Mass for Gaudete Sunday this week. It urges us to constantly rejoice in the Lord, and as good stewards of Christ, we should always strive to live lives inundated with the joy that flows from the Lord.

In order to do this, we must understand the difference between joy and happiness, for the Lord never promised us happiness. Instead, He says, “I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete” (John 15:11). Happiness is a result of our good circumstances, because we feel good, or we had something positive happen to us, etc. Joy on the other hand goes much deeper. Henri Nouwen describes it as “the experience of knowing that you are unconditionally loved and that nothing -- sickness, failure, emotional distress, oppression, war, or even death -- can take that love away.”

So, joy is the ability to remain happy due to our awareness of being beloved sons and daughters of God even amidst the trials of our life. Henri Nouwen further describes joy as a choice we must make every day. How often in our difficult lives do we take solace and rejoice in our identities of being beloved children of God? This Gaudete Sunday let us strive to be more intentionally joyful, and to pray to Christ for strength, for He says, “Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete” (John 16:24).

ADVENT RECONCILIATION



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

Monday, December 15, 2025

10 a.m. to 12 noon

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Guest Priests available)

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



NATIVITY OF THE LORD
(CHRISTMAS) MASS SCHEDULE

Wed., Dec. 24, 2025

5 pm, 7 pm, 9 pm & 11 pm

Thu., Dec. 25, 2025

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

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
(NEW YEAR'S) MASS SCHEDULE

Wed., Dec. 31, 2025, at 5 pm

Thu., Jan. 01, 2026

9 am, 11 am & 7 pm

For more details, visit www.stjustin.ca

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 14, 2025, at 3 pm



Ring in the season with the Choirs of Angels! St. Justin Martyr Parish Choirs welcome you to come and join us in this Season of celebrating our Lord, Jesus Christ with some heart-warming music. Our choirs will be playing their finest seasonal songs on Sunday, December 14, 2025, at 3 pm. All are welcome!

ANNUAL CARING & SHARING PROGRAM

Thank You for Your Support!



We were blessed abundantly with the generosity and kindness of many parishioners in our community towards the Annual Caring & Sharing Program. Our special Thanks to our Parish schools, St. Philips on the Hill Anglican Church, Knights of Columbus and all the volunteers. Your donations will make a big difference in the lives of many needy this season of hope. Thank you to one and all for your continued support towards this cause. May God bless your homes abundantly this Christmas!

SSVP REQUIREMENT: The Society of St. Vince de Paul is requesting for men's pants, size 32/30. If you would like to donate new or gently used clothes, please contact Maria at 905 887 1254. Thank you and have a blessed Advent.

SAVE THE DATE!

**St. Justin Martyr Parish,
40th Anniversary Dinner & Dance Gala
Friday, April 17, 2026, at 6 pm**

We are excited to announce the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of St. Justin Martyr Parish with a Dinner and Dance Gala on Friday, April 17, 2026 at 6 pm at Crystal Fountain Event Venue, Markham.

Sponsorship Opportunity! As part of this great milestone, we are compiling a Memory Book of the first 40 years of our Parish. If you own a business or you know someone who could benefit from advertising with us in our Memory book, please contact our Parish Office at stjustinmartyrun@archtoronto.org for details.

Also, parishioners are welcome to sponsor the event with their Congratulatory greetings. Please contact the Parish office to learn how.

Let's celebrate our Parish together!

BIBLE STUDY

Luke, The Story of Salvation Fulfilled

The Gospel of Luke takes you on a journey that begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and culminates in Jesus' ascension into heaven. Join us for Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled at St. Justin Martyr Parish in Unionville beginning January 22 from 7 pm to 9 pm, or January 24, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm, and continuing every Thursday or Saturday for 8 weeks. For more information or to register for the study, contact the parish office or visit www.stjustin.ca. The study will be facilitated by our military chaplain intern, Reuben Thomas.

SHARELIFE GIFT MATCHING PROGRAM



Your gift will double in value! Until this year end (December 31, 2025), your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

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