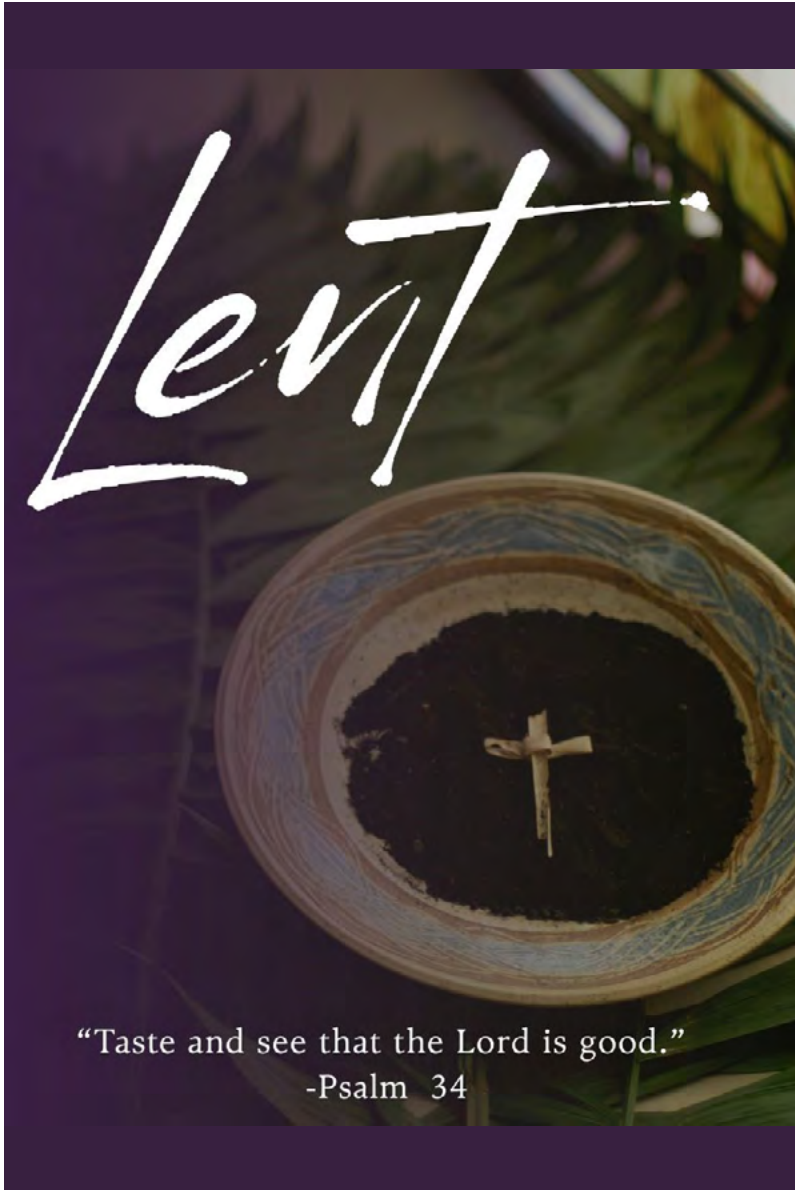




# ST. JUSTIN MARTYR PARISH



## 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.

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St. John XXIII Catholic School	905-477-3288
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St. Matthew Catholic School	905-475-0517
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St. Augustine Catholic High School	905-887-6171

"Taste and see that the Lord is good."  
-Psalm 34

## CONNECT WITH US!

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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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, 31 MARCH

9:10 AM +CARMELA GENOVESE  
+FRANCIS CHARLIE SANCHEZ JR.  
+JEAN WONG-HING

#### TUESDAY, 01 APRIL

9:10 AM +EDITHA PACLIBAR  
VICKI LEE  
ANNA NG

#### WEDNESDAY, 02 APRIL

7:00 PM +NINANG AMELITA ADAN

#### THURSDAY, 03 APRIL

9:10 AM +JOVITA CUARESMA

#### FRIDAY, 04 APRIL

9:10 AM +VINCENT D'SOUZA  
ADELYN CHAU  
7:00 PM +HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY  
+LUVIMIN ALICANTE  
EDNA MARANAN

#### SATURDAY, 05 APRIL

9:10 AM +HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY  
+TOMMY TUNG  
+MARGARET NG

5:00 PM +JEAN WONG-HING  
+JOSE MARI PALAYPAY  
MARGARITA SEE  
PETER & COLEEN ALLUM

#### SUNDAY, 06 APRIL

8:30 AM +APLIN PEREIRA  
+JAIME MARANAN  
+RODNEY ST. JOHN  
TRIVERS-GRIFFIN

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +ALDA PASCOLI DEL DO

7:00 PM Available

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 31 MARCH – 06 APRIL IS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF RACHEL MARTINEZ.

### REDEMPTORIS MATER MISSIONARY

#### SEMINARY ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER

Come and celebrate with us on Friday, May 02, 2025, at Paramount Event Space, 222 Rowntree Dairy Road, Vaughan, for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fundraising Dinner in support of the formation of future priests from Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary. An evening full of events for a great cause! Among them: excellent food, an open bar, live entertainment, experiences of seminarians and the raffle draw. Tickets are available at <https://rmms23dinner.eventbrite.ca>.

### STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

#### Approaching the Mercy of God



This Sunday we are invited to reflect on the beautiful parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15.1-3, 11-32). This parable offers us an insight into the unfathomable depths of God's mercy. We are also given an example of the prodigal son to imitate. He teaches us that whenever we fall, we too need to recognize our sin, get up and approach our merciful and loving Father.

However, we may at times find it difficult to accept just how generously God bestows His mercy on those who seek Him. We may have the notion that God is out to punish those who commit sin. However, there is one particularly beautiful line in the parable this Sunday that can help us ease those fears. It says that "while [the son] was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him."

The beauty in this passage is that the father saw the son "while he was still far off." This means that he must've spent time each day looking out at the horizon, eagerly and lovingly waiting for his son to return. Not only does he see him, he then runs and embraces his son even though he was dirty and smelled like pigs.

As stewards, we shouldn't fear approaching God for His mercy and forgiveness for He longs to grant it to us. Across the Archdiocese, every parish will host a Lenten Day of Reconciliation in which many priests will be available for the sacrament of Confession. Let us take advantage of this beautiful opportunity for healing and prepare ourselves for the Risen Lord at Easter.

#### LENTEN RECONCILIATION



The Lenten Reconciliation (Confession) at St. Justin's is scheduled for:

**Tuesday, April 08, 2025**  
**from 10 am to 12 noon**  
&

**from 6:30 to 8:30 pm** (Guest Priests are available)

All are welcome to join us as this is a major opportunity to reconcile before the Holy Week.

**Time Change for Morning Mass on Tuesday, April 15, 2025:** Parishioners are requested to note that the morning Mass for Tuesday, April 15, 2025, is moved to 8:30 am. *This change is applicable only to the mentioned date.*

### MARCH IS BABY MONTH!



This will be the last opportunity to consider donating to the Baby month. The Knights of Columbus is organizing this annual collection of baby items for Mothers and Babies in need. You can drop off items such as baby food (with extended expiry dates), formula, disposable diapers, (newborns to pull ups), 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). The campaign runs until March 31, 2025.

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

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

#### Mass on Fridays at 7 pm



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

### CWL EASTER FUNDRAISER



The Catholic Women's League at St. Justin's is happy to offer the Easter Fundraiser. We have beautiful plant arrangements, hydrangeas, lilies and a selection of Aunt Sarah's chocolates.

Place your order after Masses on the weekend of March 29/30. Visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca) for details.

### OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

#### Next delivery: Saturday, April 12, 2025

Your kindness, generosity and support have helped us feed many over the last years. Our next Casserole delivery is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, 2025. Frozen, labelled casserole can be delivered at the Parish Office on weekdays from 9 am to 3 pm or weekends from 9 am to 1 pm.

For Casserole sign up and for the recipes, visit <https://forms.gle/taDpZYiX1zRNx6Gk6>. For more information, email [joyvazjones@gmail.com](mailto:joyvazjones@gmail.com) or call Parish Office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



#### Palm Sunday (April 12/13)

Saturday at 5 pm

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

#### THE GREAT TRIDUUM

##### Holy Thursday

#### Mass of our Lord's Supper (April 17)

Thursday at 8 pm

\*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9-11 pm

#### Good Friday Services (April 18)

Friday at 9 am, 12 noon and 3 pm

\*Stations of the Cross at 7 pm

#### Easter Vigil (April 19)

Saturday at 8 pm

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

#### Easter Sunday

#### Resurrection of our Lord (April 20)

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

### 2025 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

#### March 29/30 is ShareLife Weekend



ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. But ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [www.sharelife.org/donate](http://www.sharelife.org/donate).

#### What are you doing for Lent?

**Do meditative reading:** Nourish your faith by spending time in quiet reading and reflection. Prayerful reading of God's word each day will open your heart to the Spirit and let God's thoughts and ways influence yours.

**Control desire for possessions:** Build up treasures in heaven rather than on earth. Cut down on material possessions, eliminate frills, lessen wants, share your time and talents, with others.



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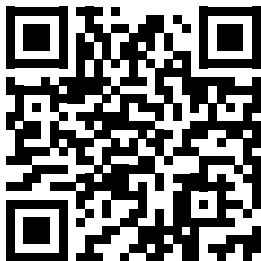
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