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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.

**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

## 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



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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** ROSANNE SILVINO  
EDNA MARANAN  
MARIA SILVA

**TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +MICHAEL FELLIN  
+FR. JERRY ORSINO  
JESULITO ROMA

**WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER**

**7:00 PM** +RAYMOND WONG-CHEW-ONN  
+JOSEF MISTELBERGER  
+MARCEL & DOROTHY EDMONDS  
+MARC CHAN  
AIDEN JAMES LEE

**THURSDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** SARAH LISCIO & DAVID  
MCDOWELL

**FRIDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +LORETTA D'SYLVA  
+VERNON D'SYLVA  
+KIND CHAU

**SATURDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +VERA & FRED COOPER  
MARY RICHARDSON  
BIHIS & GERARDO FAMILY

**5:00 PM** +EDUARDO NIEVERA  
+JACKY WONG  
LISA & MICHAEL GAUDET  
VICKI LEE  
PATRICIA SOO SEE

**SUNDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER**

**8:30 AM** JOSE SANTOS & FAMILY  
**10:30 AM** PARISHIONERS  
**12:30 PM** CIRILLA SHAO  
**7:00 PM** Available

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

FOR THE WEEK OF 22 SEPTEMBER – 28 SEPTEMBER IS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF AIDEN JAMES LEE.

**WINTER COAT DRIVE**

**Until 05 October 2025**

St. Justin Martyr, Knights of Columbus and the Society of St. Vincent De Paul are working together to provide warm coats to children and adults who are in need before the upcoming cold season.

We would ask all parishioners to bring “gently used” coats, hats, toques, mittens, gloves etc. for boys, girls and adults to the Church and place in the designated bins in the foyer. The Knights will help transport and plan for the coats to be distributed for the needy. This program is scheduled to run until 05 October 2025.

**STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS**

**Serving the Greater Master**



From a young age, society presents us the “perfect” roadmap for a life of happiness. This vision usually includes having the fancy job, a large house, extravagant clothes and a large sum of money in the bank. It is engrained in our upbringing that the amassing of wealth should be the most important facet of our life, which is why the Lord’s words in today’s Gospel, that “you cannot serve God and wealth,” can be so difficult to swallow.

It is interesting that Jesus doesn’t say we cannot have wealth, but instead, that we should not serve wealth. What does it mean to serve wealth? It is to preferentially prioritize our efforts for career advancement over our efforts to deepen our relationship with God. Essentially, those who serve wealth utilize all of their time and talents to attain more and more possessions. Stewards on the other hand utilize their time and talents to serve Christ and His Church.

In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. It is only then that we can begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church. When the temptation to hold onto our wealth looms over us, let us remember Christ’s words, and ask ourselves how are we sharing our gifts with the parish community.

**CHRISTOPHER LEADERSHIP COURSE**

**Location: St. Justin Martyr Parish, Unionville**

*You’re the one everyone relies on but still feel overlooked.*

*You know your work matters, but it’s not being recognized.*

*You have ideas but struggle to speak up confidently.*

Does this sound like you? Then the Christopher Leadership Course is for you. 10-weeks of classes begin on Monday, 29 September 2025 (3 hours each week). The course is open to everyone over 16 years of age, to help grow in confidence, communication, and leadership skills. Invest in yourself! Contact 416 410 7776 or visit [www.clctorontoeast.com](http://www.clctorontoeast.com) for details.

## STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY 2025

### Homily of His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
*Praised be Jesus Christ.*

On this 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time, across the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are taking time to reflect on stewardship. More than just the giving of time, treasure and talent, stewardship is profoundly spiritual, deeply biblical, and eminently practical in daily living. In this Jubilee Year, stewardship takes on special significance. The call to reset, restore, and renew, reminds us that everything belongs to God and we are guardians and custodians. The Jubilee demands justice and release; stewardship recommends responsibility and reverence. Together, these challenges us to live with generosity, balance, and in service of God and one another.

Read full message from Cardinal Leo at [www.bit.ly/4mnOA6s](http://www.bit.ly/4mnOA6s).

## BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

04 & 05 October 2025



As fall approaches, it's time to consider cleaning the wardrobe. Our Bundle Up Weekend is on Saturday, 04 October & Sunday, 05 October 2025. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Bundle Up container will be parked at the Church parking lot and volunteers will be available to help with loading before/after the weekend Masses. We accept all types of clothing, bedding, drapes, boots, shoes, coats, towels, new toys, bikes, and bike accessories.

*Kindly note that we do not accept appliances, dishes, books, furniture of any kind, mattresses, construction material, video tapes etc.*

## OKTOBERFEST – Tickets on Sale

Saturday, 04 October 2025 at 6 pm



Join the Knights of Columbus at St. Justin's for an evening of games, music, dance and sit-down dinner at the Parish Hall on Saturday, 04 October 2025 at 6 pm. Tickets are on sale over the

weekends of September 20/21 and September 27/28, after Masses. All proceeds go to charities supported by the Knights of Columbus.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

2025-2026 Registrations are Open

### First Reconciliation & Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation Alert:

Parents of children entering Grade 2 and above this upcoming school year are requested to enroll their child(ren) for the First Reconciliation, First Communion Sacramental Preparation Program. The link to register is available at [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca).

If your child (age 7 and older) has not been Baptized in the Catholic faith, please contact Sacramental Preparation Coordinator- Rachel Martinez at the earliest at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com).

### Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Alert:

Parents of children entering Grade 7 and above this upcoming school year are requested to enroll their child(ren) for the Sacrament of Confirmation. For the registration link and details, visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca).

If your child is not Baptized or haven't had First Holy Communion, contact Rachel Martinez at the earliest at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com).

## VOLUNTEER DRIVER FOR OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM

We are looking for volunteers with valid licenses 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 specific Saturdays -Oct. 4, Nov. 15, Dec. 13, 2025 & Jan. 10, Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16, & Jun 13, 2026. You may volunteer to drive for one or more dates, as 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](mailto:joyvazjones@gmail.com).

## OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Next delivery: Saturday, 04 October 2025

Your kindness, generosity and support have helped us feed many over the last years. Out next Casserole delivery is scheduled for Saturday, 04 October 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 <http://bit.ly/3Vzwe7m>. For more information, email [joyvazjones@gmail.com](mailto:joyvazjones@gmail.com) or call Parish Office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!



## FREE ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, 27 September 2025 at 9 am

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

For details and registrations, see the flyer below.

## LIFECCHAIN 2025

Sunday, 05 October 2025, from 2 to 3 pm



Be part of Campaign Life Coalition Life Chain, joining thousands across Canada standing up against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration on

Sunday, 05 October 2025, from 2 to 3 pm at Highway 7 and McCowan intersection. For details, visit [www.campaignlifecoalition.com/lifchain](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com/lifchain).

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

Sundays at 10:30 am



If you have a child or children from Senior Kindergarten to Grade 3, bring them to the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays. Our Children's Liturgy

program runs parallel to the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays. The liturgy focuses on the day's readings in a format comprehensible by children, led by trained and experienced leaders.

## ST. MICHAELS'S CHOIR SCHOOL

Stops & Songs – Recital



All are invited to St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, 29 September at 2:30 pm as the distinguished faculty of St. Michael's Choir School present an unforgettable afternoon of music for voice and organ, featuring timeless works that echo the grandeur of our sacred space. Experience the artistry and spirit that define SMCS in a concert celebrating tradition, talent, and transcendent sound.

The recital is free; a suggested donation of \$25 per person can be made online at <https://smcs.on.ca/concerts> or on the afternoon of the recital.

## CATHOLIC MOM'S GROUP

Mon., 22 Sept. & Wed., 24 Sept., 2025



It's time for a Mary's Tea! The Catholic Moms Group invites all women to join us on Monday, 22 September or Wednesday, 24 September, after Mass, for a celebration of Motherhood, as modeled by Our Lady. We will pray, have meaningful conversation, and enjoy hot tea and refreshments. It will be a one-hour retreat in your busy week. You owe it to yourself to come!

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Calling All Youth from Ages 7-12



Young children from ages 7-12 are welcome to register for the Children's Choir for the

opportunity to sing on Sundays at 12:30 pm Mass. Singing in the Choir is a great chance to actively participate in the Mass in a very positive and uplifting way. It is yet another way to forge wonderful friendship as well. Children's Choir will practice weekly in the Church on Tuesdays from 4:45– 6 pm. Click the link below or reach out to the Parish Office for more information.

To register your child, click the link below: <https://forms.office.com/r/7VrJP3Nk64>

## NEW BEGINNINGS

Separated/Divorced Introductory Program at

St. David's R.C. Church

2601 Major Mackenzie Dr., Maple, ON

Thursday, 09 October 2025 at 7 pm

The Separated/Divorced Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 6 weeks of psychoeducation, which assists and accompanies the separated/divorced in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, and time will be allocated for group discussion. We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds. To register, visit <https://nbsdst1025.eventbrite.ca>.





**The Knights of Columbus host  
our annual charity fundraiser:**



# Oktoberfest



**Saturday, Oct 4, 6 PM**

**Sit-Down Dinner & Dance at St Justin's Hall**

**Ticket price includes:**

**Oktoberfest Sausage or Chicken Schnitzel on a bun or vegetarian lasagna, potato salad, corn on the cob, tossed salad, pretzels, drinks & desserts.**

**Games! Silent Auction! Music by DJ Mark!**

**Ticket Prices: (two choices available)**

**\$35: Dinner with non-alcoholic drinks**

**\$40: Dinner: includes 1 beer or 1 wine**

**Tickets on sale after Mass Sept 20/21, 27/28**



# Free Webinar Estate Planning

From a Catholic Perspective

**Saturday September 27, 2025  
9:00 A.M.**

**The Archdiocese of Toronto  
& Catholic Cemeteries Estate  
Planning Team will discuss:**

- **How YOU can avoid problems**
  - ◇ in your Will
  - ◇ with the Powers of Attorney & through proper Estate Trustee selection

*Potential dangers and the ways to protect your loved ones and yourself will be illustrated in a few real-life stories*

- **How to create your personal Catholic legacy**
- **Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burials and funerals**

**3 Ways to Register:**

- Scan QR Code



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