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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.

**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
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!

PASTOR	Msgr. Vid Vlasic
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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, 02 FEBRUARY

9:10 AM +JOSEPHINE MARIA DESOUZA  
REV. MARKO BUSIC  
JOSEPH FAMILY

#### TUESDAY, 03 FEBRUARY

9:10 AM +HORTENCIA BUZON  
+RONEL MANABAT  
RUFO PANGGAT

#### WEDNESDAY, 04 FEBRUARY

7:00 PM +EILEEN MENDES  
+FREDRICK MISTELBERGER  
+RAE MCBETH  
+TONY CALFA  
TRAN FAMILY

#### THURSDAY, 05 FEBRUARY

9:10 AM +ARSENIO V. SARIMENTO  
CECILLE SIOULIS & FAMILY

#### FRIDAY, 06 FEBRUARY

9:10 AM +VINCENT D'SOUZA  
+CARMELO LOMBARDI  
ANNIE LEUNG SAM LAU

7:00 PM +HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY  
+SOON & MARGARITA WONG  
+MARCEL & DOROTHY EDMONDS

#### SATURDAY, 07 FEBRUARY

9:10 AM +HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY  
+WILLIE HON KWONG  
KAREN & FRANK GARCEA

5:00 PM +CARMELO LOMBARDI  
+EDWARD WONG CHEW ONN  
+VITO PIZZIMENTI  
+ANNIE CASPER  
+ANTHONY CHEUNG  
ROSIE CHUCK & FAMILY

#### SUNDAY, 08 FEBRUARY

8:30 AM +JOSE GATO  
ROBERT HERNANDEZ & FAMILY  
RODNEY & NINA DIOSO FAMILY

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +FRANCESCA CALDAROLA  
GENEVIE & MAUREEN FERNANDO

7:00 PM AVAILABLE

### SANCTUARY LAMP

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### STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

#### Labouring for the Steward's Great Reward



This Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Luke 2.22-40). We reflect on Joseph and Mary taking the child Jesus up to the temple and the prophet Simeon taking the child into his arms.

Simeon was an elderly prophet in Jerusalem to whom it had been revealed that “he would not see death before he had seen the Christ” (Luke 2: 26). After labouring in the temple for his entire life, Simeon was rewarded with the gift of beholding Christ with his own eyes.

The reward of Simeon is the reward awaiting all of Christ's faithful stewards. The reward of beholding Him with utter joy and peace in Heaven. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops write in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, “What is the reward to which good stewards can look forward? The answer is perfect fulfillment in God's Kingdom.” It is in God's Kingdom that we will enjoy the beatific vision for all eternity.

So when the commitment to our life of stewardship becomes difficult and we're tempted to despair, let us remember the reward of Simeon that awaits the faithful steward. This remembrance should help us increase our labours of love for God and the Church for we know that we are not doing it for any other purpose than unity with God for all eternity. This is the goal of our Christian lives.

### CONGRATULATIONS KAREN & MAY!!!

#### 10 Years of Outstanding Service



Congratulations to Karen Nazione-Garcea (Parish Operations Manager) and May Chow-Leong (Coordinator- CGS & Volunteer Screening) on completing 10 years of dedicated and exemplary

service to the Archdiocese of Toronto and our Parish community at St. Justin Martyr! We are deeply grateful for the faithful commitment, and we pray that God continues to bless them and the wonderful work they do.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

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

We are excited to announce the celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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!

**MASS & ADORATION**

**Friday, February 06, 2026, at 9:10 am & 7 pm**



All are invited for the Masses and Adoration on Friday, February 06, 2026 at 9:10 am (followed by Adoration) and at 7 pm (followed by Adoration). Come and join us in prayer with Jesus.

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES**

**Wednesday, February 18 at 9:10 am & 7 pm**



Ash Wednesday Masses are celebrated on Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 9:10 am & 7 pm.

We remind all parishioners that Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (only one full meal) for Catholics (ages 18 to 59 years) and abstinence from meat (ages 14 and up).

**EMBRACING MOTHERHOOD**

**Saturday, February 28, 2026, 9:10 am to 11:45 am**



The Catholic Mom's Group is inviting all expectant moms, moms who recently Baptized their child or moms with young children; to a short, interactive workshop – Embrace Motherhood. Please find the flyer below for more information.

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2026**

**Sunday, February 8, 2026, at 2:30 pm**



As part of Marriage Sunday 2026 celebrations, Bishop John Boissonneau will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass will take place at 2:30 pm on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

**OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM**

**Saturday, February 21, 2026**



Your kindness, generosity and support have helped us feed many over the last years. Our next Casserole delivery is scheduled for Saturday, February 21, 2026.

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/PqBSwzmVDvMyUDNd7>. For more information, email [joyvazjones@gmail.com](mailto:joyvazjones@gmail.com) or call Parish Office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!

**SHARELIFE 2026**

Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community. Because you care, more than 40 agencies provide strength to people of all ages in their weakest moments. Learn more about the people you have helped at [www.sharelife.org/impact](http://www.sharelife.org/impact). Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need!



## CWL VALENTINE'S DAY RAFFLE

### Tickets On Sale



St. Justin Martyr Catholic Women's League is having a Valentine's Day Raffle. Tickets will be sold before and after Masses over the weekends of January

31/February 01 and February 07/08, 2026, in the Parish foyer. Don't miss out on your chance to win a great gift for your Valentine!

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY

**Sunday, February 15, 2026; 9 am to 1 pm**



In preparation towards Lent this year, join us for the Annual Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus and Catholic

Women's League on Sunday, February 15, 2026, from 9 am to 1 pm in the Parish Hall.

The menu will have buttermilk pancakes, real maple syrup, breakfast sausage, fresh fruit, coffee, tea and fruit drinks. Tickets are on sale before/after the weekend Masses on Jan. 31/Feb. 01 & Feb 07/08 weekend. Please get your tickets and bring them on the day of the event.

## 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.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**March 7-8, 2026**

**Queen of Apostles, Renewal Centre,  
Mississauga**



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Catholic movement led by married couples, dedicated to helping spouses deepen their intimate relationship through love, communication, and faith. If you wish to participate, contact Elizabeth & Christian Arroba at [ChristianElizabethArroba@wwme.org](mailto:ChristianElizabethArroba@wwme.org) or Bill & Linda Etzkorn at [Bill.Linda.Etzkorn@wwme.org](mailto:Bill.Linda.Etzkorn@wwme.org).

## CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

**Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 9 am**

Consider joining this free webinar to learn about how to avoid problems: in your Will, in 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 and more.

To register, follow this link: <https://qrco.de/WebFeb7> or send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar February 7" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

## LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

**Saturday, March 14, 2026**



**LIFT JESUS  
HIGHER RALLY**

You are invited to join us at the Metro Toronto Convention

Center for the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally! The Lift Jesus Higher Rally is an event where we seek to build up the Church with the living Word of God, to unite her in worshipping the Eucharistic Lord, and to invite the Holy Spirit to transform us with His presence.

During this one-day event, you can expect: Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Inspiring Speakers, Spirit-Led Worship, Fellowship with the Church, and much more! For more details and ticket reservations, visit <https://ljhr.ca/>.

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For further information, contact the Development Office at [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org).

# **The Catholic Women's League and The Knights of Columbus fundraiser:**



## **Pancake Sunday**

**Sit Down Breakfast at St Justin's Hall**  
**Sunday, Feb 15, 9 AM to 1 PM**

**Ticket price includes:**  
**Pancakes, sausages, real maple syrup, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, fruit drinks and a raffle ticket.**



**Fun Silent Auction!**

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**Tickets for sale after Mass:**  
**Jan 31/Feb 1 & Feb 7/8**



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**LOCATION: ST. JUSTIN, MARTYR, UNIONVILLE**

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**TIME: 9:10AM - 11:45AM**

9:10am Opening Mass 9:40am Continental Breakfast 10:00am Workshop

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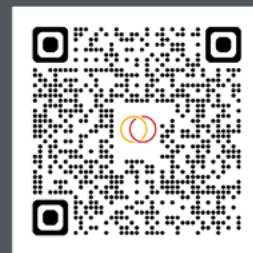
**March 7-8, 2026**

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