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## 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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## 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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 19 JANUARY**

**9:10 AM** +PORFERIA BESAR  
+DAVID CHU TEH CHEN  
PRISCA WONG-HING

**TUESDAY, 20 JANUARY**

**9:10 AM** +ARNOLD IANNUZZI  
+JOSEPHINE MARIA DE SOUZA  
MONIQUE KHOURY

**WEDNESDAY, 21 JANUARY**

**7:00 PM** +EILEEN MENDES  
+HILDE HELLEBART  
GRACE & BARRY TENN FAMILY  
VICKI LEE FAMILY  
ANGELA CHAN

**THURSDAY, 22 JANUARY**

**9:10 AM** +THOMAS D'SOUZA  
+ANTHONY KAFLA  
+ELLIOT CHIN

**FRIDAY, 23 JANUARY**

**9:10 AM** +PAUL OSCAR TENN

**SATURDAY, 24 JANUARY**

**9:10 AM** +VITTORIA & NICOLINO  
IACOBUCCI  
+MICHAEL KWOK  
+MONICA LEUNG  
ANTONIO MADURI & FAMILY  
NG-TAM FAMILY

**5:00 PM** ERIC & JULIA HAUSER  
VIRGINIA ZAN FAMILY  
COLEEN & PETER ALLUM FAMILY  
JULIA LAI TYAM FAMILY  
MYRNA & ADRIAN LEE FAMILY

**SUNDAY, 25 JANUARY**

**8:30 AM** +JOHN BILICZ  
VICTOR DE JESUS FAMILY  
SHAU & NORMAND  
BRETON FAMILY

**10:30 AM** PARISHIONERS

**12:30 PM** ALYSSA BERCENO FAMILY  
ALFRED FAMILY  
KAM FAMILY

**7:00 PM** +JOCELYN SEVILLA  
KAREN & FRANK GARCEA  
FAMILY  
SARAH WILKINSON

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

FOR THE WEEK OF 19 JANUARY – 25 JANUARY IS  
FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MONIQUE KHOURY.

**STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS**

**Playing Our Part in the Church**



In today's short Gospel passage (John 1.29-34), we can learn a lot about authentic stewardship through the example of St. John the Baptist. John used his gifts of prophecy and preaching to help make Christ known. He readily used his gifts for the service of Christ and His mission. We should ask ourselves, how are we using our gifts to serve Christ?

Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship says that our time, talent and treasure “are the gifts that each of us has freely received, and which we need to use responsibly in a spirit of gratitude. If we do that ... then we will experience the joyful serenity of deep stewardship.”

As we are still in the month of January, it is never too late to commit to a deeper life of stewardship this year. Let us strive to be intentional and tangible in our resolve to be stewards. For starters, it is important to gratefully acknowledge that all we have in our lives is from God. Let us begin to take time each day in prayer to thank Him for all of His blessings.

Secondly, by prayerfully examining our talents, let us seek groups or ministries in the parish in which we can give our gifts back to God. We don't need to be intimidated if we feel we cannot do great things for our parish, for all of us has a role to play. Let us conclude today's reflection by pondering the following words of encouragement by St. Teresa of Calcutta. “If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one.”

**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.

**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!

**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, 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, contact the parish office or visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca). The study will be facilitated by our military chaplain intern, Reuben Thomas.

**CFS ONLINE DROP-IN**  
**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SESSION**  
**Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at 7 pm**

New Beginnings ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or bereavement. If you lost someone dear to you and are grieving the loss, consider joining the Online Bereavement support session by the Catholic Family Services of Toronto.

The topic is January Grief: New Promises, New Possibilities. Register at <https://nbbd0126.eventbrite.ca>.

**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!

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2026**



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. Out 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!



## K of C TROPICAL GETAWAY LUAU DINNER

**Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 6 pm**



The St. Justin Martyr Parish Knights of Columbus (K of C) is organizing the Tropical Getaway Luau Dinner on Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 6 pm in the Parish Hall. You're invited to purchase tickets over the weekend of

January 17/18 after the weekend Masses. Ticket price includes a simulated experience of the tropical luau vacation with dinner, music, tropical décor, games, and entertainment.

Ticket prices are \$35 for adults (without alcoholic drink), \$40 for adults (with one alcoholic drink) and \$10 for children (separate menu). Visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca) for details.

## 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).

## PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. MARKO BUSIC

**Information Session on**

**Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 1:30 pm**

If you wish to have a travel experience under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Marko Busic, Associate Pastor at St. Justin Martyr Parish, consider attending the Pilgrimage information session on Saturday, January 18 at 1:30 pm in the Parish Hall. The pilgrimage covers several religious attractions in Medjugorje, Croatia, and Italy, from May 11-22.

## 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).

## YCDSB KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS

**Registrations Open**

The York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB) is now accepting registrations for Junior Kindergarten for children born in 2022. York Catholic provides a Christ-centered, innovative Catholic education in 103 schools across York region. The YCDSB is consistently ranked as one of the top-performing school boards in the province. You can visit our website, [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca), to register for classes starting in September.

## CWL VALENTINE'S DAY RAFFLE

**Tickets Coming Soon**



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!

## BAPTISMS AT ST. JUSTIN'S

**From Infants upto children, 7 years of age**

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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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Kayleigh is a wife and mother of five! She is a high school teacher and runs the Catholic Moms Group at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish in Bradford.

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**March 7-8, 2026**

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