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SUNDAY EUCHARIST
Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12 Noon

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday - Saturday 9:00 a.m.
First Friday 9:00 a.m. mass followed by Holy Hour

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)
Saturday 4 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and anytime by request

UTM CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY
Rev. Edward Curtis, Chaplain
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ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office. Please also inform the parish office if a family member is ill or shut-in at home or hospital and would like Holy Communion brought to them.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Parent(s) are to be registered parishioners and participate in a preparation program. Contact the parish office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also take a marriage preparation course.

PARISH SCHOOLS
All Saints 905-828-6348 St. Clare 905-820-2227
St. Mark 905-820-9477
Loyola Catholic Secondary 905-820-9822

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday through Friday	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Sunday	8:30 am - 1:30 pm

NEW PARISHIONERS
Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out the registration form available in the foyer, parish office and on our parish website: stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Flowers	Mildred Roach
Altar Guild	Lynn Alp
Altar Guild, Linens	Anne-Marie Bauer
Altar Servers	Tessa Yanga
Baptismal Preparation	Franka Lowe
Bible Study	Colin Cranmer-Byng
Bereavement Ministry	Anita Gonsalves
Children's Liturgy (10:30 a.m. Sunday)	Marise Mascarenhas
(12 Noon Sundays)	Kiran James
Catholic Women's League	Debbie Bates
Coffee Sunday	Gerald Menezes
Collection Counters	Kathy Kastelic
EDGE Youth Ministry	Rev. Tobias Ndabhatinya
Funeral Altar Servers	John Crump
Gardening	Emma Chow
Hospitality	Melissa Siu-Chong
Knights of Columbus	Peter Eng (Grand Knight)
Ministers of the Eucharist	Audrey D'Souza
Ministers of the Word	Maureen Kelly
Mother's Group	Susan Brocoy
	Ana Cedeno
Music Director	Claudia Ferro
Pastoral Care of the Sick	Rev. Mr. Rob Sansone
Property & Finance	Rev. Edward Curtis
RCIC – Confirmation	Anne Marie Sisti
RCIC – First Communion	Lynn Alp
Refugee Committee	Les & Moira Storey
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)	Sarah Thusiar
Rosary Apostolate	Judy Camilleri
ShareLife	Rev. Edward Curtis
Social Outreach	Ana Buzdon
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Peggy Schreader
Volunteer Screening	Gloria Noronha

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Hospice Mississauga: Compassionate Care When It Matters Most

When someone we love is facing a serious illness, knowing where to turn for help can make all the difference. Too often, families wait until they are overwhelmed before seeking support, unaware that compassionate assistance is available much earlier.

Hospice Mississauga offers a wide range of services at no cost to individuals and families facing serious illness, end-of-life concerns and grief. These include hospice counselling, support for caregivers, assistance navigating the health-care system, spiritual care, wellness programs and grief counselling for adults, children and teenagers.

One important thing to remember is that hospice care is not simply about the final days of life. Conversations about end-of-life care can begin much earlier, helping individuals and their loved ones make informed decisions, find reassurance and receive the support they need.

In late 2027, Hospice Mississauga expects to open a new facility, just south of us. This will offer 12 private care suites in a peaceful, home-like setting, providing compassionate end-of-life care close to home.

If you or someone you love is facing a serious illness, caring for a family member or struggling with grief, we encourage you to explore the help that is available.

Hospice Palliative Helpline (24/7): 905-667-1865
Website: www.hospicemississauga.ca

As a parish community, we believe that no one should have to face suffering, illness or the end of life alone. Alongside the prayer, sacraments and pastoral care offered by our parish, these valuable services can provide practical assistance, comfort and peace of mind to individuals and families when they need it most.

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

Serra Altar Server Awards 2026

Congratulations to this year's Serra Altar Server Award recipients: Sophia S., Dandre D., Christopher M., Benjamin M., and Stanley C.! We are grateful for their dedication and faithful service to our parish. Their commitment is a wonderful example of serving God and our parish community.

Inspired to serve? We welcome young parishioners who are interested in becoming altar servers! For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Poinsettia Sale

Please help support Knights of Columbus work in our community. Pre-order your 2026 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS online or in-person Nov. 21/22 & 28/29, after all Masses. Pick-up will be available on December 12/13. Proceeds benefit the Knights' Y.E.S. (Young Families, Elderly and Students) community programs.

We are seeking 50 large red poinsettias to decorate the Church. Interested in helping us decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas? Please indicate on your form that this order is for the parish. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Prepare Your Hearts for Advent: A Journey in JOY

Our Pastoral Team invites you to embrace the joy of the Advent season as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. This year, we are invited to rediscover the true joy that comes from welcoming Jesus into our lives and homes.

A special 2026 Advent Prayer Book has been created to help families pray together each week as the candles of the Advent wreath are lit.

Beautifully wrapped Advent candle packages are available for **$20 each** (includes Advent Prayer Book). The prayer book is also available for purchase separately for $5.

Pick up your Advent candle package and prayer book at the parish office or visit us at the parish hall during our Advent Fair. May this Advent season fill our hearts and homes with the lasting joy of Christ!

Sunday Missals 2026/2027

Sunday Missals for the 2026/2027 liturgical year are now available for purchase at the Parish Office. Cost: $10 each. Pick up your copy soon before they're gone!

2026 Offertory Envelopes / Pre-Authorized Giving

Thank you for your continued support of our parish through offertory envelopes and/or Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). 2027 offertory envelopes will be available for pickup in the Parish Hall during our Advent Fair on Nov 28/29, before and after each Mass. Envelopes are pre-assigned and arranged alphabetically, with volunteers available to assist you.

Please do not use the envelopes until 2026. When using them for the first time, kindly write your full name and current address so we can keep our records up to date.

If you are not yet registered in the parish and wish to receive offertory envelopes, please complete a parish registration form available in the foyer and return it to the parish office, or submit it electronically through our parish website. Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

Advent Fair: November 28/29, 2026

Join us in the Parish Hall after all Sunday Masses for our annual Advent Fair! Enjoy coffee and tea from our Coffee

Sunday Ministry, and visit the Knitting Group, Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League, Msgr. Joseph Shiels' Christmas Cards, and Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP).

You can also pick up your 2026 offertory envelopes while you're there! We look forward to seeing you and celebrating the beginning of the Advent season together.

Advent Concert:
An Evening of Sacred Music, Scripture & Reflection

The St. Ignatius Loyola Music Ministry, together with Fr. Ed, warmly invites parishioners, family, and friends to an evening of Advent music and reflection as we prepare for the birth of Christ.

Join us on **Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 PM** for an hour-long concert featuring our parish choirs and soloists, with sacred music, Scripture readings, prayerful reflections, and familiar Advent hymns for all to enjoy.

Take a break from the busyness of the season and rediscover the hope and promise of Advent as we prepare our hearts to welcome Christ. All are welcome! Bring a friend. A free-will offering will be accepted in support of the future needs of our Music Ministry.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Christmas Gifts & Annual Collection for Neighbours in Need…

Our parish Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) will be providing **Christmas assistance** to families-in-need within our community. Awareness of maintaining each person's dignity is always our priority. Food insecurities and the increase in food costs continues to be foremost in the minds of our families. It is our aim this Christmas season to again offer a gift of assistance with a food voucher that will allow families to provide a special Christmas meal for their loved ones. Please consider assisting our neighbouring families-in-need through a financial donation to our **Christmas Campaign.**

Hunger never sleeps and so we also welcome your generous financial donations to the **Annual Collection**; your continued support of this SSVP drive provides assistance for the entire upcoming year to our neighbours-in-need.

Donations to both the **Christmas and Annual campaigns** can be made by cash, cheque (payable to Society of St. Vincent de Paul) or via the on-line portal accessible through our SSVP link on the parish website under Outreach Ministries, or at http://Canadahelps.org/en/dn/53987 or by accessing our QR code. We will have a Vincentian at the parish to gratefully accept your donations before & after Masses on the weekends of Nov 21/22 and Nov 28/29. Please ensure that envelopes (which will be provided) are clearly noted as "*Christmas Gifts Collection to Families"* or "*Annual SSVP Collection*" along with your name and address.

Our goal this Christmas season is to be able to assist over 130 families in our community. Donations outside of this window can always be dropped off at the church office during their hours of operation. Please note that tax receipts will be issued for donations to SSVP greater than $25 if you have provided your name and address.

God's blessings to each of you for your ongoing generosity and support during this challenging year through your donation box donations and most especially during this Christmas season.

Catholic Women's League News:

Our next CWL gathering will be our Potluck Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 8th, 2026. **The doors will open at 6:00pm.** In keeping with the season, wear a Christmas sweater or a little green and/or red if you wish. Bring your favourite main dish, salad or dessert and break bread with your CWL sisters and Fr. Ed and Fr. Tobias! For anyone would like one of our CWL cookbooks, they will be available for $10.00 each. They make a great Christmas gift! New members are always welcome, and membership is open to all women who are 16 years old and up.

Winter Bible Study – No Great Love

A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

Discover the depth of Christ's love through this eight-session Bible study exploring His Passion, Scripture, and the meaning of His sacrifice.

Includes additional sessions on the Sunday Obligation, Jesus as Bridegroom, and the Eucharist.

Thursdays | January 14 – March 4, 2027 7:30 – 9:30 PM
Cost: $45 per person Includes book, workbook & one-year online video access.

Register at the Parish Office by December 8!

Save the dates!

- Nov 28/29: Advent Fair, Coffee Sunday
- Sat Dec 5: Advent Retreat
- Thurs Dec 10: Advent Concert

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS/EVENTS

The Office of Vocations

"Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact the Office of Vocations for more information: vocations@archtoronto.org or 416-968-0997.

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