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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday from 9 am – 4 pm
(closed from 12-1pm for lunch)

MASS TIMES:

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 noon (Polish)

Weekdays:

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am

Thursday (Polish) 7:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am & 7:00 pm

CONFESSION TIME:

Saturday 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:

Friday 9:30 am – 7:00 pm

DEVOTIONS:

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday 6:30 pm

BAPTISM:

Contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Priest one year in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Please remember Holy Spirit Parish in your will. Thank you!

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

I think I have some idea of how Jesus' astonishing commandment to stop judging, (lest you shall be judged) works. Have you ever made a large pronouncement about a particular person's behavior, confident that your audience agreed with you, only to be humiliated when someone in the group simply and quietly reminded you to stop judging? I have, and it was painful.

The result, though, is that I am very cautious now about in whose company I make derogatory remarks about people. Since I thought it was safe to be condemnatory, and found out that, just as scripture warns, I ended up being condemned myself, I definitely look both ways before I open my mouth. And guess what? Over time, that practice of being VERY careful to whom I say ugly things about people has made me less judgmental, if only because I don't get enough practice.

A body in motion stays in motion, and that's good advice for our hearts. But a tongue in motion also stays in motion, and that's very bad for our hearts. The discipline to guard our tongues against gossip, slander, or even just joining in with the crowd disparaging someone, is a strength that can go the distance throughout our lifetimes.

Looking back, how grateful are you that you held your tongue when you were angry with a teacher, your boss, your spouse, or your kids? I can think of so many uncharitable things that have floated across my brain at different times, but that, through God's grace alone, I never said out loud. And Jesus' math works: if you are kind, you will receive kindness. The Master Teacher shows us how to live.

What memories do you have of holding your tongue, and being grateful that you did?

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT SMCD SB

Is your child turning 4 in 2025? If so, it's time to register for kindergarten!


We encourage parents who want to register their child for Kindergarten to visit the website at www.smcdsb.on.ca/ for welcome videos and registration information.

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2025 BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT

Spots remain available in our 2025 bulletin for advertisement. If you wish to advertise your business or services, please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Thursday February 27, 2025, at 7:30pm

Reminder for children receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this spring, they are to attend our First Reconciliation session taking place at Holy Spirit this coming Thursday.

PACZKI DAY

March 1 & 2

A Polish tradition in anticipation of the 40 days of fasting required during the religious season of Lent, paczki donuts will be available for purchase the weekend before Ash Wednesday on March 1 & 2 after all masses.

MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES

Mass intention envelopes can be found in the Church foyer, please fill out all required information and placed it through the mailbox slot located in the foyer to be received by the Parish Office.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you have not picked up your Offertory Envelopes located in the Fireplace Room, please do so. **Envelopes will be removed at the end of the month.**

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are now available upon request. Please contact the Parish office to arrange pick up or have them mailed or emailed.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH BIBLE STUDY



UNLOCKING THE MYSTERIES OF THE BIBLE

Beginning: Tuesday March 11, 2025

1:30pm – 3:00pm for 8 weeks

We are pleased to announce the start of Bible Study at our Parish! *Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible*. We will meet in Meeting Room 1.

If you are interested in joining, please contact the Parish Office to register.

A DAY WITH MARY

Save the Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Where: Villa Nova College, King City

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day with Mary" We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship, and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. More information will follow in the coming weeks. Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

PROVINCIAL ELECTION GUIDE 2025

A provincial election is set for **Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025**. Catholic Charities urges all eligible voters to make their voices heard and cast their ballots on Election Day. To help you navigate the key issues and make informed decisions, they teamed up with their Social Justice Committee to create a concise election guide. This guide highlights the most pressing concerns in our communities and poses the right questions to consider. We're excited to share this guide with you! Feel free to share it with your family and friends. Let's make a difference together! Visit www.ccat.ca or contact info@ccat.ca or 416-934-3401.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

**Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat
March 14 – 16, 2025**

At St. Augustine's Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary. This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at:

www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee.

For more information, please:

vocations@archtoronto.org.

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH

Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday March 22, 2025, 9:00am – 4:00pm

Location: The Old Mill (Light lunch include)

Keynote Speaker: Annie Karto

Special Guest speaker Fr. Marcin Serwin OMI

Closing Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Robert Kasun, CSB

Register at: [dwf2025.eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)

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**Saturday March 29, 2025, 9:00am – 5:30pm
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**DOMINICAN FRIARS' YOUTH INTERFAITH VIDEO
CONTEST 2025**

When: February 5, 2025, to April 15, 2025

Theme: Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity

High school students (aged 13 to 19 years) in the Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual celebration of the United Nations International Human Fraternity Day on February 4 each year. Students are encouraged to create a three-minute video that captures this year's theme. Please adhere to the guidelines provided on our website and submit your entries via the submission form at <https://bit.ly/DFVCSUBMISSION>.

For further information, please contact us at

 interreligious@archtoronto.org

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR
COMMUNITY**

Daniel, Tom Borowski, Deacon Stephen Booth, Emmett Poole, Jan, Boguslaw Sowa, Marianna Kochanska, Sabrina Achaibar, Safarian Family.

If you would like to mention the name of a loved one who is in need of prayers, please contact the Parish Office either by phone or email:

holyspiritba@archtoronto.org

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:00pm Mass

♦ In Private Intentions

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26

9:00am Mass

♦ Special Intention for Michael Gaffney – D'Souza

Family

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 27

7:00pm – Polish

♦ The People of Holy Spirit Parish

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28

9am Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory

7pm Mass

♦ In Private Intention

FIRST SATURDAY MARCH 1

5pm Mass

† Sheila Correa – Paul Correa

† Jose Flor – Maria Flor & Family

SUNDAY MARCH 2

8am Mass

† Vera Lavigne – Mary Lou Linkert

† Saverio & Salvatore Strangis – Rose Strangis

♦ God's Blessing for June & Desmond D'Souza

10 am Mass

† Sheila Marion Argue – Madigan Family

♦ God's Blessing for Tina Lockyer – Jola Sadowski

♦ God's Blessing for Deacon Stephen Booth – Madigan Family

12pm Polish Mass

† Regina Matelska – Krzysztof Matelski

♦ God's Blessing & Healing for Mas & Zajkowskich – Alicja Zajkowska

♦ God's Blessing for all CWL Members

♦ God's Blessing for Patrick & Philip Bajorek – Family

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