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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12:05 pm
Saturday at 9:00 am & 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday at 11:00 am

FATIMA DEVOTION

Every 1st Saturday of the month
following the 9:00 am Mass

LIVESTREAM MASS [English]

<https://www.youtube.com/@olghtamilparishstreams>
Sunday at 11:00 am

CONFESIONS

Monday to Friday at 11:30 am | Saturday at 4:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Susan Lee, Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

(Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA)
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OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH PARISH

Rev. Fr. Charles Collins, Pastor: 416.264.6544
Sunday Masses at 12:30 & 4:30 pm (in Tamil)

Playing our Part in the Church

Even in today's short Gospel passage, 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."



"Behold!
The Lamb
of God
who takes
away
the sin
of the
world!"
John 1:29

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."

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 19th

12:05 pm † Veronica & Stephen Ball
requested by the Ball family

Tuesday, January 20th

12:05 pm

Wednesday, January 21st

12:05 pm In thanksgiving & intentions of Nereza Frias on her birthday
requested by Nereza Frias

Thursday, January 22nd

12:05 pm † Alfredo Cruz
requested by Nereza Frias

Saturday, January 24th

9:00 am

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 25th

9:00 am In thanksgiving & intentions of Von Perez
requested by Von Perez

11:00 am In thanksgiving & intentions of Melchor Costales on his 70th birthday
requested by the Costales family

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To ensure accurate processing of all donations received, kindly adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Ensure that the box of 2026 offertory envelopes, which you have picked up, has your name on it.
2. **Discard** all OLD envelopes including 2025 offertory envelopes before using your 2026 offertory envelopes.
3. If you have not picked up your 2026 offertory envelopes, kindly use the VISITOR envelopes which are available in the foyer of the church in the literature rack, behind the back pew inside the church or at the side entrance, ALL information on the envelope MUST be filled out and CLEARLY written.
4. **Note:** Your 2026 offertory envelopes can also be picked up at the parish office. Kindly call the parish office ahead of time.

Thank you for your co-operation!

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES' STORY

Feast day: January 24th

Saint Francis de Sales was destined by his father to be a lawyer so that the young man could eventually take his elder's place as a senator from the province of Savoy in France. For this reason, Francis was sent to Padua to study law. After receiving his doctorate, he returned home and, in due time, told his parents he wished to enter the priesthood.



His father strongly opposed Francis in this, and only after much patient persuasiveness on the part of the gentle Francis did his father finally consent. Francis was ordained and elected provost of the Diocese of Geneva, then a center for the Calvinists. Saint Francis de Sales set out to convert them, especially in the district of Chablais. By preaching and distributing the little pamphlets he wrote to explain true Catholic doctrine, he had remarkable success.

At 35, he became bishop of Geneva. While administering his diocese he continued to preach, hear confessions, and catechize the children. His gentle character was a great asset in winning souls. He practiced his own axiom, "*A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrelful of vinegar.*"

Besides his two well-known books, the Introduction to the Devout Life and A Treatise on the Love of God, he wrote many pamphlets and carried on a vast correspondence. For his writings, he has been named patron of the Catholic Press. His writings, filled with his characteristic gentle spirit, are addressed to lay people. He wants to make them understand that they too are called to be saints.

As he wrote in The Introduction to the Devout Life: "*It is an error, or rather a heresy, to say devotion is incompatible with the life of a soldier, a tradesman, a prince, or a married woman.... It has happened that many have lost perfection in the desert who had preserved it in the world.*"

In spite of his busy and comparatively short life, he had time to collaborate with another saint, Jane Frances de Chantal, in the work of establishing the Sisters of the Visitation. These women were to practice the virtues exemplified in Mary's visit to Elizabeth: humility, piety, and mutual charity. They at first engaged to a limited degree in works of mercy for the poor and the sick. Today, while some communities conduct schools, others live a strictly contemplative life.

Reflection

Saint Francis de Sales took seriously the words of Christ, "*Learn of me for I am meek and humble of heart.*" As he said himself, it took him 20 years to conquer his quick temper, but no one ever suspected he had such a problem, so overflowing with good nature and kindness was his usual manner of acting. His perennial meekness and sunny disposition won for him the title of "Gentleman Saint."

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-francis-de-sales/>



New Beginnings ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or bereavement.

Share discussions with others in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental online forum.

Topic: January Grief: new promises, new possibilities
Moderator: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying)

Online Drop-In Bereavement

Support Session

Date: January 28, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbbd0126.eventbrite.ca>

Online Drop-In Separated/Divorced Support Session

Date: January 29, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbsdd0126.eventbrite.ca>

For more information please contact:

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CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS with Bishop John Boissonneau February 8, 2026 | 2:30 p.m.



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 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass

will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sun day, Feb. 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.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th 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



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