

Francis Xavier Priest (1506-1552)

Jesus asked, “What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?” (Matthew 16:26a). The words were repeated to a young teacher of philosophy who had a high promising career in academics, with success and a life of prestige and honor before him.

Francis Xavier, twenty four at the time, and living and teaching in Paris, did not heed these words at once. They came from a good friend, Ignatius of Loyola, whose tireless persuasion finally won the young man to Christ. Francis then made the spiritual exercises under the direction of Ignatius, and in 1534 joined his little community (the infant Society of Jesus). Together at Montmartre they vowed poverty, chastity and apostolic service according to the directions of the pope.

From Venice, where he was ordained priest in 1537, Francis Xavier went on to Lisbon and from there sailed to the East Indies, landing at Goa, on the west coast of India. For the next ten years he labored to bring the faith to such widely scattered peoples as the Hindus, the Malayans and the Japanese.

Wherever he went, he lived with the poorest people, sharing their food and rough accommodations. He spent countless hours ministering to the sick and the poor, particularly to lepers. Very often he had no time to sleep or even to say his breviary but, as we know from his letter, he was filled always with joy.

Francis went through the islands of Malaysia, then up to Japan. He learned enough Japanese to preach to simple folk, to instruct and to baptize, and to establish missions for those who were to follow him. From Japan he had dreams of going to China, but this plan was never realized. Before reaching the mainland he died.

Covid-19

With the Covid-19 cases rising again, we would appreciate the use of the mask while inside the church.

We ask for your patience, we must work together to make our community feel safe.

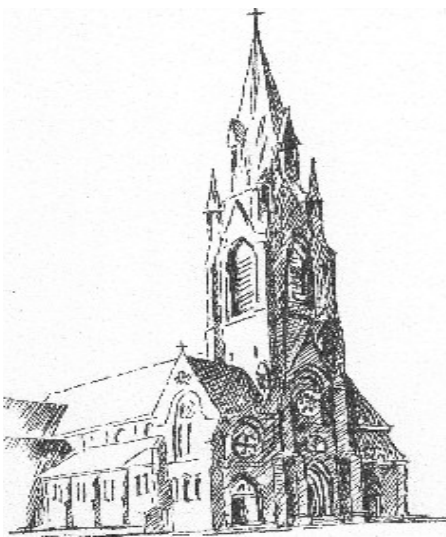


Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m.
Everyone is welcomed to this event.

St. Mary's Church

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OFFICE HOURS
Mon.– Fri. 8:30—12:00 and 1:00—4:00

Sunday Masses
8:30 am Portuguese
10:00 am Portuguese
11:30 am English
1:00 pm English

Weekday Masses
Monday—Friday 9:00 am Portuguese
 6:00 pm English
Saturday 5:00 pm English
 6:30 pm Portuguese

- Parish Council**
- Parish Finance Council**
- Legion of Mary**
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
First Friday of Every Month at 5:00 p.m.
- English Choir**
- Portuguese Choir**
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Delia Medeiros (contact the parish)
- Baptism—Sundays**
Baptisms will be booked by appointment only
- Marriages**
Please contact the priest 12 months in advance
- Confessions**
Every day before Mass, except on Sunday
- Schools**
St. Mary Elementary 416-393-5205
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Christ the King November 20, 2022

Introduction and Confiteor

Today we honour Christ as our King. And we honour Him best by helping to spread his Kingdom.

First Reading (2 Sam 5:1-3) Thus David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigured the universal kingship of Christ.

Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second Reading (Col 1:11-20) Christ is not only head of the Church but Lord of all creation. The Second Reading is essentially a liturgical hymn in praise of Christ.

Gospel (Lk 23:35-43) Christ reigned from the cross, and brought salvation to one of the thieves crucified with him.

In the Gospel we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers, and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus.

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia, sing to Jesus
His the sceptre, His the throne.
Alleluia, His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood,
Jesus out of every nation
Has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, Heav'n Thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh our great high priest;
Thou on earth both priest and victim
In the Eucharistic feast.

Song of the Cross

Love, lifted on the cross for me
My Lord, my God, my salvation.
Love, lifted high to set me free,
My Lord, my God, my salvation.

Behold the wood of the cross,
Behold the lamb that was slain.
Behold, Your King comes victorious,
Behold, He is risen again.

O, be exalted O God
Above the heavens and the earth
For by your cross and resurrection
You have redeemed the world!

Give glory to the Father,
Give glory to the Son
Give glory to the Holy Spirit,
Give glory to the Holy One!

To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King

To Jesus Christ, our Sov'reign King,
Who is the world's salvation,
All praise and homage do we bring,
And thanks and adoration.

**Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!**

Thy reign extend, O King benign,
To ev'ry land and nation,
For in Thy kingdom, Lord divine,
Alone we find salvation.

To Thee and to Thy Church, great King,
We pledge our hearts' oblation,
Until before Thy throne we sing,
In endless jubilation.

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, November 19th

5:00 pm. Mariano Machado, Lurdes Teixeira, Edna Grace Avery—Thanksgiving intention of Daniel Mammarella—Maria Oliveira—Victorino Guerra, Jose Diomampo & Maria Panaligan—Maria Palmira da Silva

6:30 pm. João & Adelaide Arruda—Fernando & Agrinoalda Camara—Serafim & Conceição Pereira — António Fernandes & family—Francelina Barbosa & Rosa Teixeira, Maria Pestana & Benedict Lim—Gustavo de Matos & António Domingos—João Felizardo—Joaquim, Maria, João & Francisco Ferreira—Maria José & Manuel da Silva—Rosa Vieira & Augusto Amaral—Luisa Cordeiro & parents

Sunday, November 20th

8:30 am. Olivia, João & Fernando Machado

10:00 am. Community—Maria de Fátima Melo—Manuel Vieira & family—Liberal Paul Silva—Manuel Cordeiro Cabral—Irene Loureiro & parents—Sandra & Jennifer da Silva—Family of João & Maria Ferreira

11:30 am. José & Angelo Medeiros, souls in purgatory—Luis Alfonso Burgos

1:00 pm. All souls in purgatory

Monday, November 21st

9:00 am. Manuel Amorim

6:00 pm. Family of Carlos & Ermelinda Arruda

Tuesday, November 22nd

9:00 am. Souls in purgatory

6:00 pm. Conrado Lamila

Wednesday, November 23rd

9:00 am. João Nunes Pereira, spouse, children & in-laws

6:00 pm. Souls in purgatory

Thursday, November 24th

9:00 pm. Rosária Ferreira

6:00 pm. Luis & Conceição Soares

Friday, November 25th

9:00 am. Geraldo Simão Firmino & in-laws

6:00 pm. Nelson de Melo

Saturday, November 26th

5:00 pm. António & Manuel Faria—50th Anniversary of Avelino & Fátima Pires

6:30 pm. Jordão & Danny de Andrade—Praise to Our Lady & souls in purgatory—José, Henriqueta & João Rebelo—Aires & Maria José da Silva, João Carlos Nascimento