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### Advertise with us!

Promote your business & support your parish!

Contact our parish office for more information.

### Space Available

### ANUNCIOS POR UN AÑO:

Si usted quiere anunciar su negocio por el año estamos ofreciendo espacios publicitarios en nuestro boletín y en las redes sociales. Cada espacio pequeño es de: \$300 por año si compra uno. \$250 si compra dos (\$500). \$200 si compra tres (\$600)

### ADS FOR ONE YEAR:

If you want to advertise your business for the year, we are offering spaces in our newsletter and on social networks. Each small space is: \$300 per year if you buy one. \$250 if you buy two (\$500). \$200 if you buy three (\$600)

### ONLINE BULLETIN REGISTRATION

Email us to:  
[stjamesTO@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjamesTO@archtoronto.org)

#### Subject:

Bulletin "Your name"

We will make sure that your contact information will not be seen by others. Also, you can find it in our website.

Space Available /  
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### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG)

To sign up for PAG, please call or stop by the Parish Office during office hours to fill out a PAG form.

Your donations make a difference!

### SCHOOLS

St. James School (416) 393-5275 / James Culnan (416) 393-5325

**"He who saves a soul, saves his own and satisfies for a multitude of sins!" -St. James**



# ST. JAMES

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor: Fr. Jorge Avilés

Office Administrator: Monica Vaamonde

Office Assistant Volunteer: Elizabeth Reboja

Volunteer Screening: Marie Gove

Custodian: Beatriz Escudero

### OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday to Friday: 9:30am – 12:30pm & 1:30pm – 5:00pm

### MASS TIMES:

Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00am (English)

Friday: 9:00am (English) & 5:00pm (**Adoration**), 6:45pm (Spanish)

### 1st Saturday of the Month:

Rosary: 8:00am (Spanish) / Mass: 9:00am (Spanish)

Sunday vigil: Saturday 5:00pm (English)

Sunday: 10:00 am (English) & 12:00pm (Spanish)

### ADORATION CHAPEL

If you would like to participate in one hour of Adoration, please contact our office

### RECONCILIATION

Friday: 5:00pm - 6:30pm / Saturday: 4:00pm – 4:45pm

### BAPTISM

Please call the office to make an appointment with the priest. The schedule of the catechesis is on the 3rd or 4th Saturday of the month at 9:00AM and the usual time for the celebration of baptism is on the 3rd or 4th Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.

### MARRIAGE

Please contact the office **1 year in advance**.

### SAINT JAMES FAMILY CHOIR (ENTIRELY FREE)

They learn music theory, vocal & piano.

Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Kelly: (416)-602-5311

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### IN NEED OF HELP?

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (647) 436-6592

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

(416) 733-8544

## ***Christmas & The Feast of The Holy Family***

***Thursday December 25***

***& Sunday December 28, 2025***

### **INTENTIONS & OFFERINGS**

#### **Wed. Dec 24**

5:00pm:

7:30pm:

#### **Thu. Dec 25**

10:00am: + Francesco & Amelia Cesario & family

12:00pm:

#### **Fri. Dec 26 – NO MASSES**

#### **Sat. Dec 27**

5:00pm:

#### **Sun. Dec 28**

10:00am: + Miguel Garay / + John Beelen

12:00pm: Pro-Populo

### **COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS: December 21, 2025**

WEEKLY: Collections: \$ 4,175 Sundry: \$ 632

### **ENVELOPES 2026**

From the first week of January, available at the office. **Please keep in mind that the number assigned previously might change.** Please don't forget to fill in the information card inside the box and place it with your first envelope in 2026. Thank you for your support.

### **ENGLISH SUNDAY MISSALS NOW AVAILABLE**

The New... Saint Joseph Sunday Missal for 2026 is available at the mini store for a donation of \$8.00. Limited stock, so hurry up and get yours.

### **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

Office will close at noon on Dec 24 and Dec 31

Also, it will be closed on Dec 25 & 26 and Jan 1 & 2.

### **NEW QR CODE FOR BULLETIN**

Please feel free to use our new QR code to download the bulletin to your electronic device. Our suggestion is for you to cut out the portion of the QR code and put it in a visible place.



### **CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE**

**New Years Eve** (Eve of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Wednesday, Dec 31. **(NO 9:00am mass)**

- 5:00 pm English
- 7:30 pm Spanish

**New Years Day** (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

Thursday, Jan 1, 2026

- 10:00 am English
- 12:00pm Spanish

**The Epiphany of The Lord**

Saturday, Jan 4

- Regular weekend schedule

End of Christmas Season: Saturday, Jan 10

### **PLEASE NOTE**

No masses on December Friday 26 & Dec Friday 2

### **PLEASE NOTE HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

Office will close at noon on Wednesday, Dec 24 and Wednesday, Dec 31 and all day Friday, Dec 26 and Friday, Jan 2, 2026

### **FROM CARDINAL LEO'S MESSAGE FOR CHRISTMAS 2025**

Each year the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ invites us to delve deeper into the true meaning of the Incarnation, to ponder anew the mystery of God's love, and to renew or even seek new ways to serve our brothers and sisters because of Jesus and his teaching and example. The wonders of the Incarnation - God becoming man in Jesus - were first announced by the Archangel Gabriel nine months earlier at the Annunciation and are now fulfilled in the birth of the Messiah and as St John the Evangelist describes so eloquently, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (Jn1:14). Heaven and earth are joined forever giving rise to the foundation of our hope because God, who loves us, is now united to humanity forever.

The birth of Jesus can be seen as the first and perpetual Jubilee. It is God's great proclamation of mercy: where true freedom is realized, forgiveness abounds, and our relationship with God is restored forever. For this reason, Christmas is not only a feast we celebrate but a mystery we are called to enter into and experience.

At every Mass, the same Divine Word that was made flesh in Our Lady's heart and womb way back many years ago, becomes present to us again - but now sacramentally. The same Jesus whom Mother Mary held in her arms is now entrusted to us under the humble signs of bread and wine. The same divine humility that chose the manger to show himself to the world, chooses now and until his return the altar of sacrifice at Mass.

### **FROM A ST. JOHN VIANNEY'S SERMON FOR CHRISTMAS**

... the angels' message on the plains ... did not come from the palaces of earthly kings, or from the halls of pleasure, or from the markets of the earth; it came from heaven, bringing with it heavenly flowers, heavenly blessings, and heavenly graces.

... It is announced, not to one or the other, but to the beggar and the king, the child and the old man, the poor and rich. The angels announced to the shepherds that it should be made known to all people, in the east and the west, in the north and the south; it shall ring forth and make joyful through all the ages; it shall never cease, not even when the world shall keep its vigil, and the book of humanity will be closed, and then it will ring on in eternity: a Saviour is born to you, who is Christ the Lord.

... God with us ... is the meaning of the joyful message of the angel ... in His humanity, in His childhood, in His poverty.