

St. Luke's Parish

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Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M. Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.

Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 9:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.

Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - after mass

First Friday Devotions - after morning mass

First Saturday Mass & Devotions – 8:30 A.M.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after mass & devotions

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. 905-881-2786 Ext 221

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PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE; COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING & PUT IN COLLECTION BASKET

Name Phone.....

Address Postal Code.....

Children & Dates of Births:

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New Parishioner ☐

Envelopes ☐

Change of Address ☐

Moving out of Parish ☐



As a patron of the Advent season, John reminds us that if God is to come into our lives we have to prepare for his arrival by mending our ways. Through the words of Matthew’s gospel we hear him calling us to conversion inviting us to take a journey inwards, to the spiritual self, which is thirsting and hungering for God. Unfortunately, the hustle and bustle of each day puts us under such stress that we are inclined to live on the surface of things with precious little time to reflect on what is most important in life. Christ’s hope is coming to us all of the time and we receive it when we open the door to him in prayer but we should be careful not to let this living contact fade. We need to make this Advent journey to get in touch with ourselves and with our God.

MASS INTENTIONS
December 8 - 12

Monday	Soul of Lucy Kok Moey Chin
Tuesday	Soul of Antonio Carvalho Soul of Daisy Suero Soul of Marika Schmoll Soul of Philomena & Vincent D’Souza Soul of Stephen Chua Yong Liang Soul of Maria Lai Keok Kwee
Wednesday	Soul of Trafford D’Sylva
Thursday	Soul of Jim Apolius
Friday	Soul of Clarence Beaton

Please pray for the sick in our community.
May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens.

SL ShareLife

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Our 2025 parish goal - \$174,000.00

Donations received to date: \$133,606.94

We ask you to share your blessings at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, stlukesth@archtoronto.org or at sharelife.org/donate.

**The Knights of Columbus
St. Luke’s Council 4393**

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest – November 10 to December 15th.

1. Poster must reflect the theme of “Keep Christ in Christmas”.
2. Each poster should be original work including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images
3. Poster should be 11x17” in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.

Coats for Kids – online donations at
<https://ontariokofc.ca/community-pillar-coats-for-kids/>

General Meeting – December 10th at 6:30 in the upstairs meeting room. New members are always welcome.



Youth Christmas Choir

Students in grades 2-12 are invited to sing in the Youth Choir for the Advent concert and Christmas Eve mass. Choir practice has started and more information can be found at bit.ly/43tUfkH or you can scan the following:





St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Baskets

As we prepare to enter the Christmas 2025 season and face the end of another challenging year for so many, we are reminded of the less fortunate and how we can make a difference in their lives. Specially marked envelopes are available in the narthex and pew pockets for donations to the **St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Basket** program. Your generous donations assist in providing gift cards to needy families in our community, enabling them to participate in this joyous season. Donations will be accepted until today - **Sunday, December 7th** with distribution of gift cards to our needy families during that week. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

** Please make all cheques payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

** Tax receipts will be issued by St. Vincent de Paul.



Children's Christmas Eve Family Mass Wednesday, December 24, 2025 at 4:00 pm

Children from grades 2-12 are invited and encouraged to sing in the children's choir and perform in the pageant for the family mass on Christmas Eve. This very special event enables the children to help us all celebrate the joy found in this holy season. All abilities are most welcome. The choir and pageant will hold rehearsals on Sunday afternoons in the lounge beginning at 1:00pm. Thank you!



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for Advent will be celebrated at the parish on Tuesday December 16th from 7:30-8:00 pm and Wednesday December 17st from 9:30-10:00 am.



HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

December 20 & 21, 2025

Parish Hall after all masses

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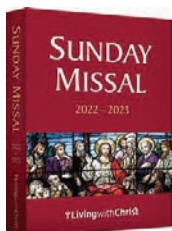
2026 DONATION ENVELOPES

The assigned 2026 donation envelopes are available for pickup in the narthex. You can also contact the office to pickup during the week or to arrange for envelopes to be assigned to you.



SUNDAY MISSAL

There are a few 2025-2026 Sunday Missals left. Please see Lois or contact the office to purchase a copy for \$8.00.



PRAISE & WORSHIP

Please join us **Monday, December 8th** at 7 pm for an evening of Praise & Worship in the sanctuary. All are welcome. Bring a friend!



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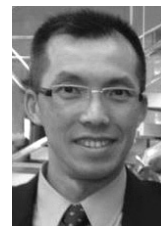
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