

# St. Aidan Church

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## SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES

Saturday - 5:00 pm (vigil)

Sunday - 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday and Tuesday - 9:00 am

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

Thursday - 9:00 am

Friday - (Ad Orientem Mass) 9:30 am

Adoration after 9:00 am Mass until 12:30 pm

(Ad Orientem Mass) 7:30 pm

Adoration from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm Mass

Saturday - 9:00 am

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory well in advance for general instruction.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:50 pm and 20 minutes  
before every Mass, except Friday evening.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact Father  
Steven one year in advance. They must also receive  
personal preparation for entering into marriage.

## COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Brought to the homebound every Sunday.  
Please contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707.

## MASS INTENTIONS

See Rose Ylagan at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.

## BULLETIN

Notices must be handed in by Tuesday morning.  
Please contact Office.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Aidan Catholic - 3521 Finch Avenue East - Telephone: 416-393-5350  
St. Sylvester Catholic - 260 Silver Springs Blvd. - Telephone: 416-393-5373

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

See advertisers at back of bulletin or call 416-733-8544.

**We welcome all new parishioners!**

**Please register at the Gift Shop after all the weekend Masses.**

## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Steven Szakaczki - *Pastor*  
Deacon Peter Lee - *Deacon Assistant*  
Luis Dizon - *Lay Pastoral Associate*  
Rose Ylagan - *Secretary*  
Keith Brako - *Custodian*

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday until 12:30 pm  
(Also after Sunday Masses in the Gift Shop.)

## DEVOTIONS

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday Devotions - 7:00 pm, Mass - 7:30 pm

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

### ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

After the 9:30 am Friday Ad Orientem Mass, with Adoration  
until 12:30 pm, and again from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm  
(before the 7:30 pm Ad Orientem Mass).

## MINISTRIES

Altar Servers - Brenda Fernandes - 647-352-2756  
Altar Society - Marie Saldanha - 416-491-9876  
Baptism - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704  
Children's Program - Phillip Francis - 416-754-8417  
Counters - Gwen Faustin - 647-300-9551  
Eucharistic Ministers - Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707  
Faith Sharing Group - Maurino & Olyn Alphonso - 416-564-6471  
First Holy Communion/Confirmation - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704  
Hospitality - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016  
Lectors - Delba Lewis-Noronha - 416-492-7245  
Marriage Preparation - Aggie & Wilfred Gomez - 416-292-5707  
Procession Coordinator - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016  
R.C.I.A. (Converts) - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704  
ShareLife/The Shepherds' Trust - Artimizia Tellis 416-491-3937  
Sunday Bible Study - Maurino & Olyn Alphonso - 416-564-6471  
Twelve Noon Choir - Franz Braganza - 647-273-0495  
Volunteers' Screening - Bettina Geniza - 416-493-0701

## SOCIETY LEADERS

Knights of Columbus - Aris Dometita, GK - 647-961-2449  
Catholic Women's League - Patricia Lobo - 416-895-4621  
Legion of Mary - Marie J. Wo Kai Sang - 647-248-1762  
Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Savio Ferrao - 647-772-1319

**We invite you to become involved in our Parish Ministries.**

**(NOTE: CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the Bulletin graphics.)**

**St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**January 8, 2023**

**Saturday January 7:**

**5:00 pm** In Thanksgiving of Alicia Britto  
In Thanksgiving of Vanita & Family  
In Thanksgiving of Patricia Chan & Family  
+ Rev. Emmanuel Bertrand  
+ Gualberto Sanchez  
+ Maureen & Alex Gomes  
+ Susan Silva  
+ Annamarie Bastiampillai  
+ Rosie & Francis Fernandes

**Sunday January 8:**

**9:00 am** In Thanksgiving of Pearl Raddcliffe  
**10:30 am** + Go Yee Long  
**12:00 pm** Pro-Populo

**Monday January 9:**

**9:00 am** + Mary Theres Francis

**Tuesday January 10:**

9:00 am + Charlaine & Clara Pereira

**Wednesday January 11:**

**7:30 pm** + Klaus Dimytruk  
+ Stan Zupan  
+ Neville Pereira  
+ Valeria & Joseph Gazica  
+ Helen & Gabol Kovacz  
+ Emmanuel Cheung  
+ Tiu Teng Suy

**Thursday January 12:**

**9:00 am** + Stella D'Souza

**Friday January 13:**

**9:30 am** Celebrant's Intention  
**7:30 pm** Amy Konupek

**Saturday January 14:**

**9:00 am** Celebrant's Intentions



***A new way to donate online to St. Aidan's for our parishioners and visitors who regularly attend our Masses to donate to our parish. Just scan the QR Code with your cell phone.***



***Students' Confirmation Enrolment Ceremony***

**Enrolment Ceremony will take place on Saturday January 21st at the 5:00 pm Mass and on Sunday January 22nd at the 12 noon Mass.** Each confirmation student will receive a wooden cross at these Masses. Confirmation Classes will start on Sunday January 29th, from 2 to 3 pm. **[Please see our website for more information](#) and for the [registration forms](#).**



***Movable Liturgical Dates***

Please note that this year **Ash Wednesday is February 22** and **Easter Sunday is on April 9.**



### **Vocation Seeds**

*“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”* God ask us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/>



### **2023 Donation Envelopes**

Please pick up your 2023 Donation Envelopes arranged in numerical order. If you cannot remember your number, one of us from the gift shop will gladly help you. New parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes please register in the gift shop or [from our website](#).



# Annual GTA Prayer Service Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023

**“Do good; seek justice”**  
(Isaiah 1:17)

The Annual Week of Prayer Service for the Greater Toronto Area will be held at:  
St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church  
73 Simcoe St. (@ King St. W.),  
Toronto, ON M5J 1W9  
on Sunday, January 22, 2023  
at 4:00 p.m.

Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church.

The homilist is The Rev. Dr. Robert Faris  
(Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.)

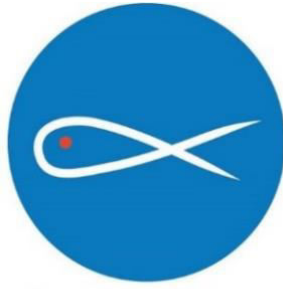
This event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Toronto’s Office for Promoting Christian Unity & Religious Relations with Judaism, and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.



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& Religious Relations with Judaism**  
Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto

## [Promoting Christian Unity](#)

Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representative of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church at St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church (73 Simcoe St. at King St. W. in Toronto) on **Sunday January 22, 2023, at 4 pm**. This event is jointly organized by the [Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches](#).



St. Vincent de Paul

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

*“God loves you for what **YOU** do for Jesus in the distressing disguise of the **POOR**” - **St. Teresa of Calcutta**. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (St. Aidan’s Conference), on behalf of the many families **YOU** have helped during 2022, **THANK YOU**...*

- All those who contributed in preparing the **Thunder & Lightning casseroles** for the Good Shepherd Centre every month
- For your generous donations during the **quarterly Bundle-Up weekends**
- For your financial contributions to the **Poor Box**, throughout the year
- For your Christmas donations

May God bless you and your family, for your unceasing support in helping us serve **our neighbor-in-need** in our parish, **as a loving and caring family**. We look forward to your continued support during 2023!!!

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***Online Course: Introduction to Christian Meditation***

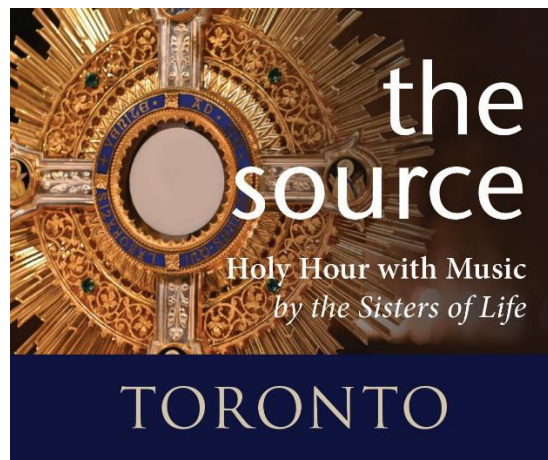
**Monday, January 9 to February 13 - 6:30 p.m.** [The Canadian Christian Meditation Community](http://www.canadianchristianmeditation.com)

is offering a 6-week online course on an ancient Christian prayer form that is seeing a revival globally. Participants will be introduced to practical exercises that will help them focus on the presence of God in a communal setting open to all Christians and ecclesial traditions. Plan to attend these sessions for growth in the spiritual life as well as an experience of the unity willed by Jesus for the Church and the life of the world. **For Information and Registration: Ann Harwood Email: [aaharwood77@gmail.com](mailto:aaharwood77@gmail.com)**



### ***Movie Night***

Thanks to the efforts of our CWL and Knights of Columbus our next Movie Night will be on **Saturday January 28, right after the 5:00 pm Mass, starting at 6:15**. We will be showing the first two episodes of **Season 3** of **The Chosen** series. Even if you have not seen previous episodes you will love these episodes which do an amazing job in depicting the life of Je sus. There is much to learn and discuss regarding these episodes. We encourage you to join us. We will have a group discussion after each episode. Each episode is about an hour long. We will be selling pizza and popcorn with water for \$5. If you know you will be attending, please register in advance at our Gift Shop so they know how much pizza to order.



### ***The Source with the Sisters of Life***

**Thursday, January 26th, 7-9 p.m. EST** St. Peter's Church, 840 Bathurst St., Toronto Central Region Join the Sisters of Life for an evening of prayer and fellowship. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 7 to 8 p.m. in St. Peter's. Confessions will be available. From 8 to 9 p.m., we'll have refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall. We hope to see you there. Contact: The Sisters of Life

**Phone: 416-463-2722**

**Email: [toronto@sistersoflife](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife)**

**Web: <https://sistersoflife.org>**

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2022 | 23: FAITH & REASON LECTURE SERIES

# FAITH, REASON & BEAUTY

THE FALSE, BAD, AND UGLY: LOOKING FOR FAITH AND BEAUTY IN MOVIES AND OTHER DARK MIRRORS

Guest Speaker: Professor Randy Boyagoda, English Dept., University of Toronto

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***Newman Centre Faith & Reason Lecture Series: Faith, Reason & Beauty***

Guest Speaker Prof. Randy Boyagoda **Thursday, January 26th, 7-9 p.m.** Newman Centre Catholic Mission 89 George St., Toronto. In this lecture, Professor Randy Boyagoda (English Department) argues that the great interest, in recent years, in horror movies is indicative of a suppressed but enduring desire for faith and beauty. Situating his discussion in the context of the Catholic intellectual tradition, Professor Boyagoda makes a case for how to best to cultivate an openness to the transcendent in mundane times. **Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$15 for students - in person & \$20 for virtual attendance.**

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# Missal Reflections

Reflections on Weekly Missal Readings by J. Luis Dizon

***January 8, 2023 - The Light of Israel (Epiphany) - By J. Luis Dizon***

[\*Click here for this Sunday's reading\*](#)

This passage of Isaiah is addressed to the Jews exiled in Babylon. Here, the prophet predicts a future where the Jewish people would be gathered from all of the nations they were scattered in and brought to Zion. Then, the light of Israel would arise and give light to the nations, who would walk in that light, and give homage to Israel.

A partial fulfillment of this passage came when the King Cyrus of Persia decreed that the Jews would be allowed to return to their land and rebuild their temple. The glory of Israel would not be seen then, however. Even after the second temple was built, it lacked the glory of the first temple, where God Himself dwelt, whose presence was represented by the Ark of the Covenant. Thus, the passage would await a fuller fulfillment at the coming of Christ.

Traditionally, the passage has been interpreted as being fulfilled when the Magi came to worship the child Jesus, hence its association with the Feast of the Epiphany. We can readily see this from many details in the text. For example, the constant references to light, radiance and rising all point towards the star that shone over Bethlehem. Also, the nations are said to bring gold and frankincense to Israel (v. 6). The reference to Midian and Ephah can also be an indication that the Magi originated there. Also, the reference to kings in v. 3 has led to the interpretation that the Magi were kings. Whatever the case, it is not hard to see how the coming of the Magi would fulfill this prophecy.

This Old Testament scripture shows us how the events of the Nativity were foretold hundreds of years in advance. Today, we walk in the light of God's glory in Christ, who is the Light of the World (**John 8:12**). Just as the Magi were guided by the star during Epiphany, may we also continue to be guided by His light.



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