



SACRED HEART PARISH

“We’re all in this Together...Praying for you!”

A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOHN

Our church has been closed to the public celebration of the sacraments since the third Sunday of Lent. Our Lent and Easter Season had been quite different from the past years. We have been participating in masses from homes through social media. We are praying the Rosary and doing other devotions to make ourselves to fight this time of trial and tribulation. We are living in this time of unprecedented circumstances in our own life history. Every day is challenging to face new realities in life. We wonder how long it will last. When are we getting back to the normalcy in our life? I think that it is very appropriate to ask ourselves a fundamental question, “Where is God in the midst of all these happenings around us?”

I invite you all to look forward to the future with unflinching trust and undying hope in God who can only change this situation to be better, brighter and safer to all of us. Although we are living in social distancing from one another we are bonded and connected to the Lord and to others in faith, hope and love. I encourage you dear parishioners to experience God’s connection and faith connection at this time of uncertainty. I strongly believe that we shall overcome it with God’s help and his grace being poured upon our world. This too will pass. We are people of hope. We are hoping that very soon we will reopen our church for our worship and sacramental life. I am assuring you all of my prayers and masses being offered daily for your safety and good health.

CELEBRATION OF MASS AND OTHER LITURGIES

All Priests of the Archdiocese have been celebrating Mass every day privately for the intentions of the faithful since the pandemic began. With the help of Frank Cianni, Neriza Neville, and Frank Donato, parishioners were able to participate by joining in as we celebrated Palm Sunday, Easter Triduum, and our Sunday Masses. On April 19th, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy was beautifully sung by Joseph Frias (Neriza’s Brother), Neriza Neville, and Giselle, followed by the Celebration of Mass. On Wednesday, May 13th, the feast of Our Lady of Fatima, the Holy Rosary was prayed, followed by the Celebration of Mass. This Friday, May 22nd, Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm, Feast of St. Rita, an Augustinian Sister, known as the “Saint of the Impossible” and the “Peacemaker”.

Join us every **Wednesday** in praying the Holy Rosary (month of May) at 6:15 pm; Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 6:30 pm, followed by Mass at 7:00 pm and **Sunday Morning Mass beginning at 10:00 am**. You can join us on “Facebook Live” by clicking below.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Religious-Organization/Sacred-Heart-Parish-King-City-112692893718402/>

OTHER WAYS YOU MAY EXPERIENCE GOD'S CONNECTION

You can also watch, via live-stream, a Mass celebrated every day at 7:30 am at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, which will be followed by the Angelus and the Rosary. This Mass, Rosary and Angelus will also be available on the Archdiocese of Toronto's YouTube channel for those who cannot join at 7:30 am. In addition, Mass will be broadcast daily on Salt & Light Catholic Media Foundation, Vision-TV (Daily TV Mass) and EWTN.

RE-OPENING OF CHURCH AND RECTORY OFFICE

Last week, we were invited to join in two separate Webinar sessions presented by the Director of Public Relations and Communications at the Archdiocese: "Considerations for Re-opening of Parishes" and "Guidelines for Facilitating a Safe Return to Parish Offices". Some decisions will rely on the direction from Public Health, Government, and with the Assembly of Catholic Bishops for consistency. Specific issues they are working on before opening are: Capacity, Hygiene/Screening, Sacraments, Mass Considerations and Training of Volunteers, etc.

In preparation for us to return to our Spiritual life safely, we are in the process of establishing a ***"Re-Opening Committee" comprised of volunteers from the various parish ministries and parish groups to help implement and put forth the Diocesan Plan.*** The Archdiocese will keep us informed in a few weeks as plans are finalized and we will communicate to you via email and website.

Quoted from Cardinal Collins letter in which he stated the following
Full letter on Website (front page):

"We expect that there will continue to be restrictions on large gatherings in the days ahead, until it is safe to resume them. There will likely be a "phased" approach, a gradual return to public celebration of the sacraments. Even then, our new reality in church may be different from what we were accustomed to in the past, with some continuing precautions, since we want to resume public gatherings in a way that does not lead to a re-igniting of the pandemic. As our province begins to consider how and when activities can commence once more, the Catholic Church is preparing for the time when we are able to re-open our churches. The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a number of working groups to determine how we will proceed. We want to ensure that everyone can worship in a safe environment. We are looking at best practices in other places, working with medical experts and consulting to determine what to do in the days ahead, recognizing the geographical and physical diversity of our more than 200 parishes."

MASS INTENTIONS & LIGHTING OF VOTIVE CANDLES

During this time, when there's a greater demand for prayer, Mass Intentions and lighting of Candles are being accepted. Requests for both can be made by Emailing the Parish Office at sacredheartchurch@zing-net.ca or by contacting Joanne Bozzo at (Cell: 416-258-0199 (text or call) or by leaving a message at the Rectory Office 905-833-1161.

A NOTE FROM OUR SHARELIFE OFFICE

The work of the agencies funded by ShareLife continues during these times. These agencies have developed innovative ways to continue to provide service to the marginalized in our communities. ShareLife and Catholic Charities are working together to fund our agencies as planned in 2020 – using reserve funds and borrowing when necessary to meet this year's allocation. A revised collection schedule will be released as soon as Masses are celebrated in our parishes. You can still contribute by credit card through the ShareLife website, www.sharelife.org or by mailing your donations (many of you will have received a mailing through the post office or an e-mail). We are grateful to parishioners who have already made a contribution, either through pre-authorized-giving (PAG), on line, or by mailing your envelope at the parish.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus have been communicating via email – we thank them for supplying Roses on Mother's Day – they were left outside the church for mothers to pick up after Mass and they also delivered to some of the senior parishioners. If you are elderly and in need of any assistance, in picking up groceries or any other small jobs, inside or outside, please contact Greg Maltby at greg.maltby@sympatico.ca or Frank Cianni at frank.cianni@sympatico.ca.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL have been communicating via email – reaching out either by telephone or via emails, sending out inspirational messages and items of interest to read to their members. Any requests for assistance should be directed to Neva Lorenzon by email at nmlorenzon@hotmail.com.

ALTAR SOCIETY

We are grateful to Marisa Figliano, for making certain that our Altar is beautified with flowers on each of our Sunday Masses and other Liturgical occasions, despite this pandemic.

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

ALL scheduled First Communions and Confirmations have been CANCELLED, due to the uncertainty of the current situation, new Sacramental dates will be announced as soon as it is possible when church activities can resume as stated by the Archdiocese of Toronto. In addition to our email notices, please visit the church website, <https://sacredheartki.archtoronto.org> and your schools for news and updates. Please rest assured that children who have already registered, and have prepared and completed our sacramental preparation programs will receive their sacraments as soon as they can be given.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

In the next pages, please find attached the Sacred Heart Parish 2019 summary of revenue and expenses for your review. The summary shows that we had a small surplus of \$ 949.32 for the year.

We are grateful for your ongoing financial and non-financial support to our parish. Without the commitments of time, talents and donations we would not be able to provide for the spiritual and physical needs of our local Catholic community. Our contributions also play a part at all levels of our church through all the special collections we rally behind during the year.

One way to help our Parish, financially, is to consider using the Pre-Authorized Giving Program (PAG). Enrolling in this program, will provide a consistent flow of funds that will be used for ongoing operating expenses and any unforeseen circumstances. This program is especially important due to the current COVID-19 crisis and the effect it's had on the Church's finances. Even during the closure of the church, the operating costs and expenses continue to be incurred without the support of the offertory collections.

The Pre-Authorized Giving program is administered directly by the Sacred Heart parish office. Once registered in the program, you decide how much you want to contribute to the parish on a monthly basis and it is automatically withdrawn from your bank account once a month.

If you are currently enrolled in the PAG Program, your consideration to increase your contribution is greatly appreciated. The PAG form is attached to the weekly bulletin email or can be downloaded from the Sacred Heart Parish website (located on the front page) <https://sacredheartki.archtoronto.org>. To guarantee security and confidentiality, please place your completed PAG form and your 'void' cheque in a sealed envelope and mail it to Sacred Heart Parish, 14485 Jane Street, King City, Ontario, L7B 1A3 Attention: Joanne Bozzo OR drop it off in the 'Mail Slot' at the Rectory door.

Thank you for all your past support and we look forward to keeping Sacred Heart Parish a vibrant Catholic community.

ADDITIONAL WAYS OF SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

- Drop-off in 'mail slot' at Rectory Office main door; OR mail in your contributions
- Contribute by CREDIT CARD – simply go to our website: <https://sacredheartki.archtoronto.org> click on top of the right hand corner (yellow hand with \$ sign) DONATE NOW, you will then be able to select our parish In the drop-down menu. You can make a one-time or recurring contribution to our parish offertory or other special funds,
- Contribute via ON-LINE BANKING. To do this, the Archdiocese will need to send you a unique account number. You may send an email to campaign@archtoronto.org. In the body of the email provide: Your name; Address and Parish Name and Municipality (York Region). You will be emailed your account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to our Parish. You can make a one-time or recurring gift to our offertory.

SACRED HEART CHURCH PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2019

RECEIPTS

Sunday Offertory	\$226,057.93
Easter, Christmas, New Year	28,027.25
Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals	12,010.00
Parish Hall	7,325.00
Bank/Archdiocese Interest	8,002.26
Sundry Receipts	167,430.59
Special Diocesan Collections	61,205.95

Total Receipts **\$510,058.98**

DISBURSEMENTS

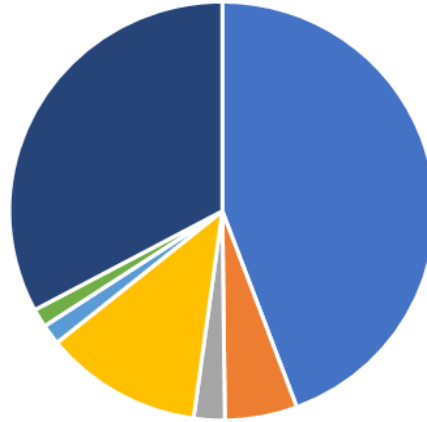
Taxes, Insurance, Hydro, Heating, Security	\$ 34,950.54
Office Supplies & Services	25,627.78
Groundskeeping/Snow Removal	42,165.98
Sundry Expenses	44,474.91
Repairs, Maintenance, Other Exp.	46,838.03
Clergy(s), Staff, Musicians & Tax Ded.	116,570.88
Liturgical & Parish Programs	25,940.70
Parish Hall Expenses	19,655.82
Rectory Expenses, Furniture, Fixtures & Equip.	41,151.07
Diocesan Assessment	50,828.00
Special Diocesan Collections Remitted	60,905.95

Total Disbursements **\$509,109.66**

Excess of Revenue over Expenditures 949.32
\$510,058.98

Numbers Compiled by Formusa Zuccaro, Chartered Accountants, CPA, LLP

SACRED HEART PARISH REVENUE 2019



- Sunday Offertory
- Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals
- Bank/Archdiocese Interest
- Sundry Receipts
- Easter, Christmas, New Year
- Special Diocesan Collections
- Parish Hall

SACRED HEART PARISH EXPENSES 2019



- Clergy, Staff, Musicians & Tax Ded.
- Property Tax, Insurance, Utilities, Security
- Office Supplies & Services
- Groundskeeping/Salt/Snow Removal
- Repairs, Maintenance, Other Expenses
- Liturgical & Parish Programs
- Parish Hall & Rectory Expenses
- Sundry Expenses
- Diocesan Assessment

HOW TO MAKE AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Since Public Masses are cancelled until further notice from the Archdiocese, below are some recommendations on how to make a 'spiritual communion' and enter into a time of prayer on the Lord's Day. The recommendations can be adapted based on personal and family needs.

- Gather with others in your household and begin a time of prayer with the sign of the cross, take time to read and reflect on the readings from Sunday's mass. You can find the readings at <https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca>.
- Cardinal Collins celebrates Mass daily at 7:30 am live at <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com> or later in the day archived on You Tube.
- Share your prayer intentions quietly or aloud.
- Pray the Our Father

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

PRAYER IN TIMES OF NEED

*Almighty God, keep us in your love, and make us generous
in responding to those in need.
Lord God, we turn to you in all our troubles and praise you in all our joys.
Hear our prayer this day and see our need.
Give us the strength and courage that flows from your
spirit to follow your Son, Jesus,
in the way of the cross. Send us your support and let us
experience it in the generosity
and support of others. Glory and praise to you, God of mercy,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*