

WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesdays: **5pm** (English) Fridays: 1:15pm(English) in the main church.

> **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

10:30am (English) 12pm (Portuguese)

> The Office is open **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**

DONATE for the upkeep of our building, support activities, and operations.



"Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is holy, and you are that temple." -1 Corinthians 3: 16-17

The word of the Popes

Today's Gospel presents the episode of the expulsion of the merchants from the temple (Jn 2:13-25). Jesus made "a whip of cords, he drove them all, with the sheep and oxen, out of the temple" (Jn 2:15), the money, everything. Such a gesture gave rise to strong impressions in the people and in the disciples. It clearly appeared as a prophetic gesture, so much so that some of those present asked Jesus: "What sign have you to show us for doing this?" (v. 18), who are you to do these things? Show us a sign that you have authority to do them. They were seeking a divine and prodigious sign that would confirm that Jesus was sent by God. And He responded: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (...)

We have here, according to the evangelist John, the first proclamation of the death and resurrection of Christ: His body, destroyed on the Cross by the violence of sin. will become in the Resurrection the universal meeting place between God and mankind. And the Risen Christ is Himself the universal meeting place — for everyone! — between God and mankind. For this reason, his humanity is the true temple where God is revealed, speaks, is encountered; and the true worshippers, the true worshippers of God are not only the guardians of the material temple, the keepers of power and of religious knowledge, [but] they are those who worship God "in spirit and truth" (Jn 4:23).

-Pope Francis



W UPCOMING EVENTS



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Day of Gathering and Reflection - Pilgrims of Hope

Nov **15**

Malassadas Sale

Nov 16

Special collection for the Shepherd's trust

Dec

Christmas Lunch

Day of Gathering and Reflection – Pilgrims of Hope

The Christian Family Movement invites all Portuguese-speaking couples to take part in a Day of Reflection on Sunday, **November 9**, in the hall of **Santa Cruz Church**, 140 Argyle St, from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m**.

We will continue our discussion on this year's theme: "Pilgrims of Hope." Lunch will be ordered for those who wish to participate.

All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE

We invite everyone to the Parish Christmas Lunch, which will be held on **December 14th,** starting at 2:00 PM.

Join us for this special moment of fellowship, with live music, excellent cuisine, and the warm presence of our community.

More information will be shared soon.

Special Collection

There will be a second collection for the **Shepherd's Trust** on the weekend of November 15 and **16**, 2025.

The mission of the Clergy Fund is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests have sufficient financial resources to live a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous donation will help our priests maintain a modest, yet active and independent lifestyle during their retirement years.

For priests who are ill or disabled, the fund provides access to nursing homes and medical care.

Thank you for your support of this important mission.

Malassadas Sale - November 15 & 16

On the weekend of November 15 and 16, we will be making malassadas. Orders can be picked up on Saturday, the 15^{th} , from 12:00 to 5:00pm by the office door. On Sunday, the 16^{th} , they will be available for purchase after Mass.

You can place your order after mass at the church, at the office, or with Ana Ledo.

We also need help with donations: 10kg (yellow) bags of flour, oil, butter, milk, eggs and sugar.

The goal is to help with repairs to our church, on the Dovercourt side, specifically the men's washroom.

Thank you very much for your support