



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.



“Though he was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped. Instead, he emptied himself, taking the form of a servant... He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross.

The word of the Popes

On the cross, we see a single phrase: “This is the King of the Jews” (Lk 23:38). That is Jesus’ title: he is a king. Yet as we gaze upon him, our idea of a king is turned upside down. When we try to visualize a king, what comes to mind is a powerful man seated on a throne with magnificent insignia, a sceptre in his hand and precious rings on his fingers, speaking in solemn tones to his subjects. That, more or less, is what we imagine. Looking at Jesus, though, we see the complete opposite. He is not comfortably enthroned, but hanging on a gibbet. The God who “casts down the mighty from their thrones” (Lk 1:52) appears as a slave executed by those in power. Appareled only with nails and thorns, stripped of everything yet rich in love, from his throne on the cross he no longer teaches the crowds by his words; he no longer lifts his hands as a teacher. He does more: pointing a finger at no one, he opens his arms to all. That is how he shows himself to be our king: with open arms. (...) Only by entering into his embrace do we understand: we come to realize that God went to this extreme, even to the paradox of the cross, in order to embrace every one of us, no matter how far distant we may be from him: he embraces our death, our pain, our poverty, our weakness. He embraced all of it. He became a slave so that each of us could become a son. (Pope Francis, Homily, Asti Cathedral, Solemnity of Christ the King, 20 November 2022)



UPCOMING EVENTS



**Nov
24**

Women’s Prayer
Group

**Dec
08**

Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

Thank you for your
contribution!!!

**Dec
14**

Christmas Lunch

“The power of God is the Cross of Christ. His royal throne is the wood of the Cross, and His crown is woven of thorns.” - St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Malassadas Sale – A joyful Success

We are filled with gratitude and joy! Last weekend's Malassadas Sale was a wonderful moment of fellowship that brought our parish family together. Thanks to your generosity and hard work, we raised **\$2,129.00**.

These funds will go toward much-needed repairs around our parish building.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made this possible:

- Those who worked tirelessly in the kitchen
- Volunteers who assisted in so many ways
- Those who donated ingredients
- And all who purchased malassadas or contributed financially

Your efforts remind us of what we can accomplish together. May God continue to bless our parish so that we may always be a blessing to others in His name.

Our Lady's Circle – Women's Prayer Group

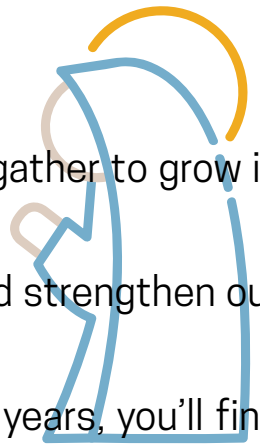
You are warmly invited to join our Women's Prayer Group! 🌸

Come and be part of a welcoming, faith-filled community where women gather to grow in faith, share prayers, and support one another on their spiritual journey.

With Mary, our Mother, as our guide, we seek to draw closer to Christ and strengthen our relationship with Him.

Whether you're new to the faith or have been walking with the Lord for years, you'll find friendship, encouragement, and a place where you truly belong.

All women are welcome! ❤️



Monday, November 24th at 6:30pm

Christmas Lunch

You and your family are warmly invited to our Parish Christmas Luncheon on Sunday, **December 14th, at 2:30 p.m.** (doors open at 1:30 p.m.) in the **Santa Cruz Parish Hall**.

Come share the joy of Christmas with a delicious meal, good company, and the true spirit of Christian fellowship!

Tickets:

- **Adults: \$55**
- **Children (up to 12 years old): \$20**

Tickets will be available after all Masses until **December 7th**.

You can also purchase them by contacting:

- **Ana Ledo: 416-457-5698**
- **Parish Office: 416-533-8425**

We look forward to celebrating this beautiful time of year together as a true parish family!