SANTA CRUZ PARISH



WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesdays and Fridays 12:00 pm (English) in the main church.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

The Office is opened
Tuesdays and Thursdays

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





"...The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him..." -Psalm

Letter from Pope Francis to the Italian daily newspaper "Corriere della Sera" editor-in-chief Luciano Fontana

Dear Director, I wish to thank you for the words of closeness with which you have expressed your presence in this moment of illness, in which, as I have already said, war appears even more absurd. Human fragility has the power to make us more lucid about what endures and what passes, what brings life and what kills. Perhaps for this reason, we so often tend to deny limits and avoid fragile and wounded people: they have the power to question the direction we have chosen, both as individuals and as a community.

I would like to encourage you and all those who dedicate their work and intelligence to informing, through communication tools that now connect our world in real time, to feel the full importance of words. They are never just words: they are facts that shape human environments. They can connect or divide, serve the truth or use it for other ends. We must disarm words, to disarm minds and disarm the Earth. There is a great need for reflection, calmness, and an awareness of complexity.

While war only devastates communities and the environment, without offering solutions to conflicts, diplomacy and international organizations are in need of new vitality and credibility. Religions, moreover, can draw from the spirituality of peoples to rekindle the desire for fraternity and justice, the hope for peace.

All this requires commitment, work, silence, and words. Let us feel united in this effort, which heavenly Grace will continue to inspire and accompany.

-Francis

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 30 ShareLife Campaing 2025

Apr Beginning of Holy Week Masses

Apr 18 Good Friday Procession at St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Week Mass Schedule. Join us for this moment of faith and reflection!

- Thursday, April 17 7:00 PM (in English and Portuguese)
- Friday, April 18 12:00 PM (in Portuguese)
- Saturday, April 19 8:00 PM (Portuguese and English)
- Sunday, April 20 11:30 AM (in English and Portuguese)
 Confessions will take place on April 7 at 7:00 PM.



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

St. Francis of Assisi Parish invites everyone to the Good Friday Procession, celebrating our faith and heritage, on April 18, 2025, at 3:00 PM. The event will take place through the streets of Toronto's Little Italy, starting at St. Francis of Assisi Church, located at the corner of Grace Street and Mansfield Avenue.



Easter Flower Donations

We are accepting flower donations to decorate the church this Easter. If you would like to contribute, please contact **Ana Ledo at 416-457-5698.**



Thank you for your generosity!

Stations of the Cross during Lent

We invite everyone to the Stations of the Cross, which will take place every Friday during Lent at 11:15 AM, before the Holy Mass.

Prayers will be conducted in English and Portuguese.



Join us for this special time of reflection and prayer!