



Weekly Bulletin

Parish Mission Statement:

We are God's Instruments who strive to grow by sharing and nurturing our joint commitment to Christ's message of love. And by committing ourselves to serve the needs of the parish as stewards for the sake of God's kingdom.

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Masses

Monday to Saturday - 9:30 am

Saturday - 5:30 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday - 7:45 am, 9:00 am (Italian)

10:30 am, 12 noon &

7:00 pm (English)

Office Hours

Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the Office 1 year in advance.

Sacrament of Penance: Please contact the parish office.

Schools

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"Please remember us in your will"

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman - We need to allow Jesus free entry into our personal lives. Jesus wishes to come into our "private" life, not to embarrass us, not to judge or condemn us, but to free us, to change us, and to offer us what we really need: the living water of the Holy Spirit. Let us find this living water in the Sacraments, in prayer, and in the Holy Bible, especially during this Lenten season. We need to be witnesses to Jesus as the Samaritan woman was. Let us have the courage to "be" Jesus for others, especially in those "unexpected" places for "unwanted" people. Let us also have the courage of our Christian convictions to stand for truth and justice in our day-to-day life. (by Fr. Tony: akadavil@gmail.com)

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH - NOVENA

We will have a Solemn Mass on Monday, March 20th at 9:30 am for the Feast Day of St. Joseph (with a reception to follow in our parish hall). A donation of baked goods are welcome, please bring them to the parish hall before Mass.

Novena

A 9-day novena have began on March 11th at 8:45 am followed by Mass at 9:30 am; novena on Sunday will be at 3:00 pm.

2023 SHARELIFE COLLECTION DATE

March 26 / April 30 / June 4

Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters
ShareLife Sunday is March 26th and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel!

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL of Transfiguration would like to thank all those who offered their prayers for the Ordinandi of 2023. Through your generosity we were able to collect:

- 265 Masses, 204 Communion, 132 Rosaries,
- 89 Visits to the Blessed Sacrament,
- 132 Eucharistic Adorations, 15 Stations of the Cross,
- 22 Sacrifices, 1022 prayers, 1 other.

These offerings will be presented to the Ordinandi at the annual dinner held in their honour.

Your generosity is very much appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus Humber Valley Council #3945 hosted a dinner and dance event (ITALIAN NIGHT) last month. Thank you to everyone that came to the event and supported us. Thank you to all the amazing knights that helped to put the event together.

It was an wonderful night filled with lots of laughter, food food and dancing. We have some more amazing events planned for the rest of the year, so keep an eye out for those.

LENTEN & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mass will be celebrated during the weekdays at 9:30 a.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Bilingual)

Please join us every Friday at 7:00 pm as we pray in both English and Italian followed by spiritual reflection

LENTEN CONFESSIONS IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, March 28th at 7:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD: APRIL 6th

7:30 pm (Bilingual); No Morning Mass Followed by adoration until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES: APRIL 7th

11:00 am Stations of the Cross (Outdoor *WP)

1:00 pm (Italian) / 3:00 pm (English) / 5:00 pm (English)

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

HOLY SATURDAY: APRIL 8th

10:30 am Rosary (In Honour of Our Lady of Sorrows)

followed by Blessing of Baskets

8:00 pm Solemn Mass Celebration

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 9th

7:45 am (English) / 9:00 pm (Italian)

10:45 am (English) / 12 Noon (English) / 7:00 pm (English)

PARISH MISSION LENT 2023

March 22nd, 23rd & 24th with Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon

"Embracing the New Time...New opportunity"

Reconciling ourselves with the nearest past,

reaffirming our faith in the present to secure our future

The mission is for March 22nd & 23rd: two conferences at 7pm 45 minutes each session. Friday, March 24th at 7 pm is the Stations of the Cross, with a 15-minute guided meditation.

Themes

1. From the faith perspective:
-How the pandemic affected and how it is affecting the present spiritual life of our communities.
2. Reopening of the churches:
-What are the biggest challenges for the faith community
-How to strengthen our faith
-How to rise up our Christian hope in the present situation of the world
3. Friday, summarizing the previous talks with some practical suggestions for our parishioners to consider.

***WP Weather Permitting**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parish Finance Council Meeting:

Tuesday, March 21st at 7 pm in the parish office boardroom

Pastoral Executive Council Meeting:

Wednesday, March 29th at 7 pm in the parish office boardroom

FORMATION SESSION:

Any Lectors, Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers who were not able to attend last week's session are invited to please be present for the Friday, March 31st session in the parish hall at 8:00 pm

COMMISSIONING OF ALL MINISTERS AT MASS:

Weekend of Sat., April 8th & Sun., April 9th

ONGOING EVENTS

PREMS-Approach:

Weekly Sessions: Mondays at 7:15 pm in our parish hall
Contact Info: Linda 416.473.1149 & Fr. Carlos 416.247.0513

Prayer and Life Workshop:

Every Wednesday 'til May 31st from 7 pm to 9 pm (parish hall)
No registration fee. Material fee: \$20.00
Contact: Ana Orellana at aorellan55@gmail.com

40 DAYS OF LIFE

All are invited to a Midpoint Mass Lent Campaign at our parish on Wednesday, March 15th
6:00 pm: Adoration at the Chapel
7:00 pm: Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for March 5th was \$5,075.00. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. Thank you for supporting our parish.

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Gesù e la donna Samaritana - Questo lungo e articolato racconto ci permette di comprendere la strada attraverso cui anche noi oggi possiamo rinnovare il nostro incontro con Gesù. Ciò che ci può mettere in cammino verso di lui è qualcuno che ci dice: vieni a vedere un uomo che mi ha detto tutto quello che ho fatto. Che sia forse il Messia? Solo chi fa esperienza forte e personale di Gesù può attirare altri a lui; e solo questa attrazione può far nascere la fede. Chi lo ha incontrato porge a noi una domanda: che sia forse il Messia? La domanda rimane aperta, perché la risposta spetta a ciascuno di noi; non è una risposta teorica, da catechismo, ma una risposta data con la vita, con l'incontro, il dialogo, la scoperta di sentirsi conosciuti dentro e accolti, e amati. Ecco il cammino per noi cristiani, che a nostra volta diventiamo un invito e una domanda per gli altri.

(Commento a cura di padre Gianmarco Paris)

MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONI DELLE MESSE

Sunday March 12 Third Sunday of Lent

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am † Antonio Virdo
10:30 am † Rosario Sia, † Nicolina Di Giallonardo
† A Special Intention for Mark Faria & Family
12:00 pm † P. C. Thomas, † Jozef Gortych, † Angela Vitro
A Special Blessing for Edward Thurainayagan & Children
3:00 pm Novena for St. Joseph
7:00 pm † Tony Reilly (Mass in honour of St. Expedite)

Monday March 13

9:30 am † All Souls in Purgatory, especially deceased members of F.O.S.S.

Tuesday March 14

9:30 am † Mila Barbieri, † Rosaria, Giannino, † Maria Fantini and Deceased Family Members, † Luigi & Filomena Rea & Deceased Family Member

Wednesday March 15

9:30 am † Rosario Sia, † Lenore Huarte, † Ulderico Farelli
† Maria & Nicola Pulsone, † Maria & Antonio Malatesta, † Luigi & Dolorata Malatesta
Mass: 40 Days of Life
7:00 pm Mass: 40 Days of Life

Thursday March 16

9:30 am Holy Souls in Purgatory, † Pasqualina Di Leo, Special Blessings for Carmen, Norman, Gavin, Heather, Clint Viegas and family

Friday March 17 Saint Patrick, Bishop

9:30 am † Maria Santana, † Francis Piedade Fernandes, † Reynaldo Morta, † Bruno Bellissimo
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (English & Italian)

Saturday March 18 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:45 am Novena for St. Joseph
9:30 am † Vincent Micallef, † Victor Naudi, † Mary Tanti
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland Seniors' Residence
4:30 pm Confession
5:30 pm † Silvano Bertola, † Thanksgiving In Honour of St. Joseph

Sunday March 19 Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am † Giuseppe Fonte, † Giuseppe Alfarano, † Giovanni & Loreta Palozzi
10:30 am † Han Dobbe, † Holy Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm † John, Rosario, Lina Colosimo, Ciriaco, † Vito Grieco, † Mario Bellisario, † Stefano Tansura
1:30 pm IGBO Mass
3:00 pm Novena for St. Joseph
7:00 pm † Antonio DeSantis, Special Intention for Mercedes Vincent; Quick Recovery for Stephen Johnston

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Theresa Burns, Sonja Schryer, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Dana McGrath, Roman Joe Zakrajse, Enzo, Domenica, Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Karen Radecky, Paul Jensen, Carla Chiulli, Josie Riley, Gianfranco

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