



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 Baptism: Please contact the parish office.

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

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

Schools

St. Marcellus:	15 Denfield Street, Etobicoke, ON M9R 3H2	416-393-5311
St. Maurice:	45 Kingsview Blvd., Etobicoke, ON M9R 1T7	416-393-5379
Transfiguration:	55 Ludstone Dr, Etobicoke, ON M9R 2J2	416-393-5276

"Please remember us in your will"

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Against All Forms of Idolatry - To explain idolatry, let me use an illustration. I did not invent it. It comes from St. Augustine. He uses the example of a girl whose fiancé gives her an engagement ring. The ring is gorgeous and the boy is happy that his girl likes it so much. She of course is dying to show it to her friends. Well, she starts to love the ring so much that it becomes more important to her than the one who gave it! When the boy discovers that his girl loves the ring more than him, he is not so happy. And if he finds out she is using the ring to make her girl friends envious and show her superiority over them, he might be more than unhappy. He might become furious. "I gave you the ring as a sign of our love - not to look down on others."

St. Augustine says that something similar applies to our relationship with God. He has given us gifts, tokens of his love. For sure, He wants us to love his gifts and to be grateful for them. He does not give the gifts, however, for their own sake - or to make us think we are better than others. Like an engagement ring, he wants the gifts to signify a relationship - and to lead us to him. Anything less involves some degree of idolatry. ([Fr. Phil Bloom](#))

TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Transfiguration CWL invites you to become a member of the Transfiguration Catholic Women's League, which is a sisterhood whose aim is to develop a deeper Spiritual life through prayer, example, upholding the sanctity of life, the dignity of all human beings, the importance of freedom, social justice, peace & harmony and the promotion of Catholic Education. Join and help keep this voice alive. Fees for 2024 will be \$40.00. Membership fees can also be left in the Parish office in an envelope marked CWL.

CWL General Meeting: Saturday, Nov. 18th following the 9:30 am Mass

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Theresa Burns, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Lisa Petriglia
Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Gianfranco,
Dana McGrath, Roman Joe Zakrajse, Enzo, Domenica,
Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Sergio Rea,
Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Jose Vaz,
Karen Radecky, Carla Chiulli, John Stibler, Mario Reale,
Graziella Marcoccia, Katherine Idzik, Angela D'Arcy,
Domenico Loprevite, Maria Bellissimo,
Melodee Purpura, Jane Delgado

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Our regular collection last week was: \$6,467.25. Thank you for your contributions and for supporting our parish. Please contact the parish office if you would like to enrol in the Pre-Authorized Giving plan.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOUL

Arcangela Filangi

RAKE YOUR YARD INITIATIVE

On Saturday November 11th, the Young Adults of our parish will be conducting the Rake Your Yard initiative. This is a great way for anyone in the community who may need assistance in raking the leaves in their front/back yards to get the help needed from our very own Young Adults group. Please contact the church office to book an appointment for you or someone you know who needs help, and volunteers from the group will come between the hours of 10am-1pm.

*If there are any Youth or Young Adults that would like to volunteer, please also contact the church office with your name and phone number.

BUNDLE SUNDAY

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be holding a Bundle Sunday on the weekend November 11th & 12th, 2023. Volunteers and the truck will be in the Church parking lot to receive your donations. We are accepting: all clothing, footwear, bedding, drapery/towels & new toys. We do not accept baby or other furniture, appliances, books, mattresses, dishes, construction materials or video tapes.

SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION

There is a special collection on the weekend of November 18th & 19th for The Shepherds' Trust. Special marked envelopes are available at the entrance of the church. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm

Parish Finance Council Meeting (Parish Boardroom)

Wednesday, December 6th at 7:00 pm

Advent Day of Confessions in our parish

Thursday, December 7th at 7:00 pm

Pastoral Executive Council (Parish Boardroom)

2024 MISSAL

The 2024 Missals are available at a donation of \$5.00 per book this weekend. Kindly see an a Usher after Mass to obtain a copy.

THE MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANION BOOK

This book features meditative prayers, essays, and poetry, an examination of conscience, and a unique feature: the Advent Stations. This Advent Companion Book is available at a donation of \$5.00 per book and is available at the Parish Office

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach program will be collecting men's new underwear, socks, jeans (all sizes), jackets, towels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, bar soap/liquid body wash, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, Advil & Ensure/Boost

PREMS-APPROACH

This is a program with a method to work with individuals and their families dealing with intellectual challenges such as Autism and Down Syndrome. **Weekly Sessions:** Mondays at 7:15 pm at Transfiguration of Our Lord School Gymnasium

Contact Info: Linda 416.473.1149 & Fr. Carlos 416.247.0513

FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2024

(November 08, 2023, to January 15, 2024)

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27). High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster @ <http://surl.li/mlfkw> and submit their entries at, <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Il Servizio Incombente - La spiritualità farisaica è contraddittoria. Da una parte austera, rigida, severa, dall'altra superficiale, esteriore, vuota. Maestri esigenti, duri con i propri discepoli, gli scribi e i farisei sono accondiscendenti, miti con se stessi. Interpretano severamente i precetti della legge quando riguardano gli altri, li svisgoriscono con le loro disquisizioni se toccano essi stessi.

Tutto il loro sforzo si esaurisce in impegni secondari e inutili. In pratica ingrandiscono gli astucci (le filatterie) in cui sono contenuti i brani di pergamena con testi della legge, e allungano le frange dei mantelli. Erano due segni che ricordavano la cura e l'attenzione verso la legge (cfr. Dt 22,12), ma lo ricordavano più di tutto agli altri, che li designavano con il nome di «osservanti».

La spiritualità farisaica è esibizionistica per questo affetta di esteriorismo, motivata da vanagloria e orgoglio: una tentazione allettante. In un mondo in cui la religiosità è tenuta in considerazione le persone pie sono spesso considerate come le più vicine a Dio e quindi degne del più grande amore. Per questo i farisei usufruivano dei primi posti nelle feste di famiglia (nei conviti), nella sinagoga (dove occupavano le prime file) e nella società, dove udivano risuonare i loro nomi con i rispettivi titoli.

L'evangelista parla dei farisei ma ai cristiani («tra voi»), addirittura alle guide della comunità. Anch'esse sembrano affette dalla stessa malattia. Il perentorio «non fatevi chiamare» denota quanto la situazione sia grave. I titoli di «maestro», «padre» (o capo), «guida» sono indebiti perché i cristiani sono tutti «fratelli», figli dello stesso «Padre», che li assiste mediante il suo Spirito (cfr. 12,30-31; 28,19). (Dhoniiani Andria)

INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday November 5 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time / Daylight Saving Time Ends	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our parish
9:00 am	† Giovanni & Rosina Filippelli, † Virginia, Carmine & Natale Bozzo, † Girolama Cangemi, † Felice Labrozzi
10:30 am	† Nicola Biancofiore, † Robert Pereira, Deceased Members of the Castelino & Fu Families, † Maria, Teresa, Angelo & Antonia Napoli, † Antonio Alano Jr.
12:00 pm	† Domenico D'Urzo, † Edward Sia, † Arcangela Filangi
1:30 pm	IGBO Mass
7:00 pm	† Zuzana & Stanislaw Guzik, † Helena Giermanska, † Charles & Joan Kelly, † Basilisa Pereira, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa & A. Falzon (L) Adoration (1/2 hour of guided meditation)
8:00 pm	
Monday November 6 Weekday	
9:30 am	† Carmelina Curitti, † Vera McCarron, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa & A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
1:15 pm	Mass at St. Marcellus School
Tuesday November 7 Weekday	
9:30 am	† Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa & Special Blessings Anthony Falzon, Darryl & Lisa Wells
Wednesday November 8 Weekday	
9:30 am	† Antonio Virdo, † Godfrey & Lucina Pinto and Living & Deceased Members of the Pinto & Cordeiro Families, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
7:00 pm	Solemn Mass
Thursday November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	
9:30 am	Thanksgiving Mass for Matthew, Natasha, Ariana, Dorian Cimicata & Susie Cimicata, † Fiore Cimicata, † Rollin & Lira Mendonsa, Living & Deceased Members of the Raimundo, Mendonsa, Cimicata & Howard Families. † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
7:00 pm	1- Year Memorial Mass: Vito Ditaranto
Friday November 10 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church	
9:30 am	† Apolonia Obillo & Deceased Members of the Obillo & Sotello Families, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, Special Blessings for Chanceline Pena and Anthony Falzon
Saturday November 11 Saint Martins of Tours, Bishop	
9:30 am	† Joseph & Catherine Giuliano, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
2:00 pm	Baptism
3:30 pm	Mass at Parkland Retirement Home
4:30 pm	Confession
5:30 pm	† Deceased Members of the Hasbun Family, † Noviglia Girardo
Sunday November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time / Stewardship Sunday	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our parish
9:00 am	† Rosaria Morra, † Angelina, Francesco & Nancy Storino
10:30 am	† Giuseppe Tenuta, † Julio & Felicidad Lomibao
12:00 pm	† Carlo Borelli, † Fr. Bruno Carbonara
7:00 pm	† Basilisa Pereira, † Charles & Joan Kelly, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa & A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
8:00 pm	Adoration (1/2 hour of guided meditation)

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