



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

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| St. Marcellus: | 15 Denfield Street, Etobicoke, ON M9R 3H2 | 416-393-5311 |
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"Please remember us in your will"

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Background on the Gospel Reading - Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes'.

After Jesus' preaching, an even more astonishing thing happens. A man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. As we see in this example and throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus and are often fearful of him. In fact, they seem to understand Jesus' identity better than his disciples. As we will read again and again in Mark's Gospel, Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man. Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of his power over evil.

(Loyola Press - Sunday Connection)

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE



FEBRUARY 14, 2024

9:30 am (English)
12 Noon (English)
7:00 pm (English/Italian)

2023 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

The 2023 Parish Tax Receipts are being prepared and you will receive them in the mail by February 2nd. We thank you for your donation to our parish. Kindly notify our parish office if your contact information has changed.

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES 2024

Thank you to all the parishioners who used the envelopes and the P.A.G. last year. For those who have yet to pick up the 2024 envelopes, they are available in the parish hall, arranged numerically. Refer to the binder provided for your name or number.

QUEEN OF APOTLIES RENEWAL CENTRE

The Centre invites cancer patients and caregivers to a Day of Retreat to experience God's healing love on February 1st at 8:30 am. Cost: \$45.00, Location: 1617 Blythe, Rd, Mississauga.

For more information, please contact Jean at 905.278.5529 or office@qoa.ca

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP (PLW)

PLW is a series of sessions that helps you learn and deepen in the art of prayer. Sessions include prayer methods such as prayerful reading, prayer of surrendering, adoration, and contemplative prayer. Participants overcome anxieties through healing and reconciliation, acceptance, and surrender. In every session we meditate on readings of the word and listen to a message from Fr. Ignacio Larrañaga, OFM Cap., our founder.

The workshop consists of 15 weekly sessions of 2 hours each, and a final one-day-retreat. Instruction is free and workshop materials have a total cost of \$20.00. Session starts on February 7th and ends on May 22nd. Time: 7 pm – 9 pm.

For more information and/or registration please email Ana at aorellan55@gmail.com or call or text at 647-631-5115

ST. BLAISE: BLESSING OF THE THROAT

On Saturday, February 3rd we will be celebrating the Feast Day of St. Blaise, the Patron Saint of Throats. A blessing of the throats with the St. Blaise candle will be performed at the 9:30 am Saturday Mass.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, February 5th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in February or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.

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 starting on February 12th.**

Contact Info: Linda 416.473.1149 & Fr. Carlos 416.247.0513

FIDUCIA SUPPLICANS

Fiducia Supplicans is a declaration on Catholic doctrine that allows Catholic priests to bless couples who are not considered to be married according to church teaching, including the blessing of same-sex couples. All are invited to our parish hall on Thursday, February 29th at 7 pm for a friendly conversation on this declaration.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates are: Feb 10th, April 20th and July 20th.

For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (416) 463-2722 or by email at toronto@sistersoflife.org

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, Graziella Marcoccia, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Ramon Ortiz, Ines Granda

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$7,372.00. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G).



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THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:
Meagan Sheahan & Travis Davis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: ITALIAN NIGHT



The Knights of Columbus Humber Valley Council #3945 will be hosting their annual dinner and dance "ITALIAN NIGHT" on Saturday, February 10th at 7pm. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a wonderful evening with your fellow parishioners, friends, and family. The menu will include Bruschetta, Lasagna, Veal, Salad, Mixed Veggies, Potatoes, Dessert, and Coffee/Tea with cash bar. The cost is \$40 per person. For tickets, please contact the Grand Knight Romey Simon Sebastiampillai at romeysimon@hotmail.com

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11th at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. For questions, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Confidando in Cristo si sconfigge il demonio - il vangelo è chiaro: il demonio c'è ed esiste. A tal proposito il papa san Paolo VI diceva: «coloro che non credono nell'esistenza del demonio, sappiano che si ammala anche chi non crede nella malattia!». Ebbene, il racconto narrato da Marco fa notare che l'uomo posseduto dal demonio frequentava la sinagoga, cioè frequentava il luogo ufficiale della preghiera. Evidentemente questa notizia, riportata dal vangelo, ci ricorda che non esiste luogo che possa automaticamente rendere buona o cattiva una persona: la bontà o la cattiveria dipendono dal cuore, dalla coscienza, dalle opere. Non riteniamoci buoni soltanto perché frequentiamo la chiesa: la bontà non si acquista respirando l'aria della chiesa, ma vivendo il vangelo che ascoltiamo nella chiesa. E per conquistare questa bontà è necessaria una lotta: una lotta contro Satana, che opera anche all'interno della chiesa; e, quasi sicuramente, nella chiesa opera con più gusto e con più accanimento! ([don Lucio D'Abbraccio](#))

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

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| Sunday January 28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 7:45 am | All living & deceased members of our Parish |
| 9:00 am | † Giovanni Cortese, Salvatore Francesco, † Agnes Armocida, † Maria Grazia Cristella, † Ignazio Saladino † Elina Caruso |
| 10:30 am | † Franz Velez, † Joseph Valador, † Vittorio Simone, † Alessia Aversa, Special Blessings for Carol & Gerald MacLean's 66 th Wedding Anniversary |
| 12:00 pm | † Ramona Pelly, † Wayne Alessi Pietrosh |
| 7:00 pm | † Charles & Joan Kelly, † Flora & Alfredo Greco |
| 8:00 pm | Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation) |
| Monday January 29 Weekday | |
| 9:30 am | † Eric Rozario, † Mary Lodge, † Natale & Teresa Clemente, Healing Mass for Danuta & Teresa |
| 1:00 pm | Mass: Transfiguration of Our Lord School |
| Tuesday January 30 Weekday | |
| 9:30 am | † Maria Nicola Micelotta, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon |
| Wednesday January 31 Saint John Bosco, Priest | |
| 9:30 am | † Mildred Ventura, † Secundino Pedreira, † Deceased Members of the DiLeo, Minechello, Siconolfi, Celetti, Miele & Develis Families |
| Thursday February 1 Weekday | |
| 9:30 am | † Mary Melito, † John & Helen McErlain, † Patricia Giesche † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon |
| 7:00 pm | Memorial Mass (English/Italian): Rosa Clarizio |
| Friday February 2 The Presentation of the Lord/World Day: Consecrated Life | |
| 9:30 am | † Maria De Paola, † Candelora Caporiccio |
| Saturday February 3 Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, Saint Ansgar, Bishop, BVM | |
| 9:30 am | Conversion for the Halprin & Camacho Families, Deceased Members of the Obrero Family |
| 3:30 pm | Mass at Parkland Retirement Home |
| 4:30 pm | Confession |
| 5:30 pm | † Tomas Villar, † Adelina Fiorino, † Franco & Rosina Sirianni |
| Sunday February 4 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 7:45 am | All living & deceased members of our Parish |
| 9:00 am | † Francesco Giannone, † Giuseppe Giannone & Special Blessing for Enzo Fantini's 84 th Birthday |
| 10:30 am | † Nicola Biancofiore, † Isidoro Bettin, † Deceased members of the Pinto & Raimundo Families; As a Thanksgiving & Conversion Mass, Special Blessing for Tony & Ivete Pinto |
| 12:00 pm | † Anthony Misquitta, † Domenico & Frank D'Urzo, † Aldora Pestana |
| 1:30 pm | IGBO Mass |
| 7:00 pm | † Charles & Joan Kelly, Souls in Purgatory |
| 8:00 pm | Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation) |

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto, entitled, "Seeking the Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things". This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and our collective efforts to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese. The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: www.archtoronto.org

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