



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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Mrs. Rhoda Marcoccia, **Administrative Assistant**

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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"Please remember us in your will"

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean" ... Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out his hand and touched him, and said: "I do choose. Be made clean!" (Mk 1:40-41). The compassion of Jesus! That compassion which made him draw near to every person in pain! Jesus does not hold back; instead, he gets involved in people's pain and their need... for the simple reason that he knows and wants to show compassion, because he has a heart unashamed to have "compassion".

Jesus is unafraid to risk sharing in the suffering of others; he pays the price of it in full (cf. Is 53:4).

Compassion leads Jesus to concrete action: he reinstates the marginalized! These are the three key concepts that the Church proposes in today's liturgy of the word: the compassion of Jesus in the face of marginalization and his desire to reinstate. (SS. Pope Francis Homily 15 February 2015)

LENTEN COMPANION

Prepare to celebrate Easter with the 2024 Lenten Companion from Magnificat. The booklet has daily reflections, prayers, poetry, and meditations for the Way of the Cross. This Lent, let us take some time daily to strengthen our love of the Lord and for each other. The companion book is a great spiritual resource and can be picked up from the Ushers in the vestibule after each Mass this weekend for a donation of \$5.00 per book.

2023 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

The 2023 Parish Tax Receipts have all been mailed. We thank you for your donation to our parish.

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. Please refer to the binder provided for your name.

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

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Silvana Masci and Elizabeth Burns

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,798.00. 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).



WEEKDAY MASSES

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

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 14, 2024

9:30 am (English)

12 Noon (English)

7:00 pm (English/Italian)



(Please remember that this is a day of fasting and abstinence. The law of abstinence from meat binds those from 18 – 59 years of age. This does not apply should a medical condition dictate otherwise).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Bilingual)

Friday, February 16th at 7.00PM

During the Lenten season, Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday followed by spiritual meditation.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP (PLW)

PLW will help 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 started 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.

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.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The total collection for January was \$5,821.65. The Knights of Columbus very generously gave us a donation of \$5000.00.



Prayer Requests

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

The CWL will be collecting a Spiritual Bouquet for the Ordinandi (Seminarians) after all of the Mass on February 19th – 23rd. A spiritual bouquet is an offering of Masses, Intentions, Holy Communion, Rosaries, etc ... (there is no cost for these offerings) and they will be presented by the CWL at the 34th Annual Ordinandi Dinner on Tuesday, March 19, 2024. Please make your offering on the clipboards provided in the vestibule.

The CWL will be hosting Mary's Way of the Cross on Saturday, March 9th. All are invited to attend. Refreshments and a general meeting are to follow in the parish hall.



WEDDING BANN

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Spring 2024 Campaign is on February 14th – March 24th from 7 am to 7 pm daily.

Vigil Location: SW corner of Dufferin St. & Lawrence Ave. W.
(St. Charles Borromeo Church)

Join the vigil: www.40daysforlife.com/en/toronto

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Purificazione è piegarsi a Gesù - Il peccato è così: ci sporca il cuore, ci offusca lo sguardo e man mano ci fa sentire soli e abbandonati, ci porta a sospettare di tutto e di tutti. Insomma, una vita che non ha più niente di bello. E anche se il bello c'è sempre, non siamo più in grado di vederlo.

Come si può fare per guarire dall'impurità? Diventando imitatori di Cristo, come dice San Paolo (cfr. 1Cor 10,31-11,1). Imitare Gesù significa sapersi schierare sempre dalla parte del bene, della verità, dei poveri, dei semplici, lontani dal potere, dalle ambizioni a tutti i costi... Tutto ciò che serve solamente a se stessi e rende egoisti è da allontanare. L'unica arma che abbiamo è quella che usa il lebbroso del Vangelo di oggi (Mc 1,40-45): va da Gesù, si inginocchia e lo implora di purificarlo, cioè di togliere la vergogna dal suo corpo.

Gesù lo esaudisce, gli restituisce la salute, la vita, la dignità, perché quell'uomo non gli ha chiesto di essere guarito dal male, ma di purificarlo, cioè di rinnovare il suo cuore e la sua mente affinché finisse la situazione di morte a cui la vita lo aveva abituato.

La differenza dalle nostre richieste è abissale: noi andiamo da Gesù per chiedere partendo dalla nostra volontà, il lebbroso invece parte dalla volontà del Signore. Noi partiamo dalla causa del nostro dolore, il lebbroso parte dalle conseguenze vergognose che gli hanno fatto perdere la sua dignità di Figlio amato. (don Domenico Bruno)

**MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO**

Sunday February 11 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	† Giacomo Giorgio, † Antonio Virido, † Franca & Innocenzo Armata, † Diana & Vincenzo Saladino † Laura Chimienti
10:30 am	† Kevin Fernandes, † Marie & Joseph Miranda, † Julie Bikoo Patel, † Deceased Members of the Pinto & Raimundo Families, Special Blessings for Tony & Ivete Pinto
12:00 pm	† Domenic Tissi, † Domenico D'Urzo
7:00 pm	† Charles & Joan Kelly, Souls in Purgatory
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)
Monday February 12 Weekday	
9:30 am	† Donald Biastampillai, † Victorine Biastampillai, † Irene Tavarest, † Maria & Giovanni Minicucci
Tuesday February 13 Weekday	
9:30 am	† Danny & Vivian Partino, † Vincent Micallef, † Robert & Mollie Burkholder
6:45 pm	Tour of the Church: First Communion Program
Wednesday February 14 Ash Wednesday	
9:30 am	† Kevin Fernandes, Spec. Blessings for the Fowler Family
12:00 Noon	† Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa. Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
7:00 pm	
Thursday February 15 Thursday after Ash Wednesday	
	Bakhita, Virgin
9:30 am	† Matthew & Wayne Dishart, † Irene Tavares
7:00 pm	5-Year Memorial Mass (English): Frank Fortunato
Friday February 16 Friday after Ash Wednesday	
9:30 am	† Debbie, Charlotte & Alfred Turpin, † Carmelo Abilay
Saturday February 17 Saturday after Ash Wednesday / The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order	
9:30 am	† Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa. † Ida Gabriele, Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
3:30 pm	Mass at Parkland Retirement Home
4:30 pm	Confession
5:30 pm	† Zuzanna & Stanislaw Guzik, † Helena & Maria Szajna, † Valerio Mastrella, † Fernando & Igino Boni
Sunday February 18 First Sunday of Lent	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	† Arcangela Filangi, † Luigi Priolo, † Tommaso Coia, † Chiara & Giuseppe Morano
10:30 am	† Curtis Yecla, † Gabrielle Di Tommaso, † Deceased Members of the Pinto & Sequeira Families, Special Blessings for the Mendonca & D'Cruz Families
12:00 pm	† John & Lina Colosimo, Ciriaco & Antonio Grieco, † Ramona Pelly
1:30 pm	IGBO Mass
7:00 pm	† Charles & Joan Kelly, † Mary Artieda
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

THE LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2024

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held on Saturday, March 2nd at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. The theme this year, "TAKE HEART: by his wounds we are healed", encourages us to hope in God and a reminder that we can trust him, even during our darkest days. Adult Rally is \$30.00; Youth Rally is \$15.00. For more information or tickets: www.ljhr.ca or call 647.873.1753

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