



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
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"Please remember us in your will"

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Why so upset? - The Gospel for this Third Sunday of Lent gives us a shocking picture of Jesus. Our gentle savior has turned violent. He erupts as he sees merchants vend oxen, sheep and doves in the temple, sees money-changers doing base commerce in God's house. Wrath for sure can be an understandable and just reaction to selfishness and greed. The merchants were seeking short-term profit at the expense of freedom, holiness, truth, and completion of the human spirit. Worse, they were foisting all this upon the people Jesus had come to save. No wonder he hurled himself against these blind money grubbers. His emotion was real and quite impressive. But by contrast, on the cross he would empty himself out. He would surrender everything, including his fury, a surrender that would cancel out the grubbing of the money changers. (John Foley, SJ)

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 not picked up their envelopes, please contact the parish office to arrange a date & time to pick up your envelopes.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, March 4th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in March or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.

CONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

We are facing difficult times as we all know, let us follow what the Archbishop Francis Leo is calling us to do: the Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary to be done for all Catholics in the Greater Toronto Area. The Blessed Virgin Mary is always there for us, she is our refuge in times of trouble. We invite you on the solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (this year Monday, April 8th) to come to the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm (English & Italian).



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 throughout the Lenten season as we pray the Stations of the Cross in both English and Italian in our parish followed by spiritual meditation.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

All are welcome to attend Transfiguration of Our Lord's Day of Lenten Confessions on Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00 pm.



HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD: March 28th

7:30 pm (English & Italian)

Followed by adoration until midnight

(No Morning Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES: March 29th

11:00 am Stations of the Cross (Outdoor Weather Permitting)

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

No Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

HOLY SATURDAY: March 30th

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

followed by Blessing of Easter Baskets



HOLY SATURDAY: March 30th

8:00 pm Solemn Mass Celebration of Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY: March 31st

7:45 am (English) / 9:00 am (Italian) / 10:30 am (English)

12 Noon (English) / 7:00 pm (English)

CHAPEL HOURS

The chapel will be closing on Holy Thursday at 7:00 pm and will re-open on Easter Monday, April 1st at 10:00 am



Prayer Requests

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Frank Fezzuoglio, Doris Pirotta

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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.

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Items needed: chips/cookies/granola bars, juices, bottled water, men's new underwear, toiletries, socks, jeans, Advil, Ensure/Boost, art supplies, blank notebooks, and canned goods. Items can be placed in the blue bin located at the reception area of the parish office.

SHARELIFE

March 17 | April 28 | June 2

Your support for ShareLife brought the hands of Christ to those in need. Because of you, ShareLife agencies annually help more than 150,000 people who are poor, vulnerable, and marginalized.

You bring love and hope to young mothers through ShareLife. Many young women who are unexpectedly pregnant don't know where to turn for help. Through your support for ShareLife, our agencies ensure they have the resources they need to keep their education on track, provide their babies a healthy start, and create a bright future.

"I have no words to describe what it means to be a recipient of your generosity," shares Arielle, a grateful young mother you support through Vita Centre. "I have a better mental state now. I know that my baby is healthy because of it, too."

Our parish campaign goal is \$80,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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, Luis Inting, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Ramon Ortiz, Ines Granda, Harriet Capalla

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$8,337.00. 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).

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Gesù, tempio di Dio, nuova alleanza nell'amore - Il significato della cacciata dei mercanti dal tempio è molto profondo e va al di là del semplice gesto di quel momento. Si tratta di accogliere Cristo Gesù, di credere in Lui, di sapere con certezza che Lui è il Figlio di Dio fatto uomo, vero sacramento dell'intima unione degli uomini con Dio e degli uomini fra di loro. Cristo Gesù è la nuova alleanza, suggellata nel suo sangue, con il suo amore infinito. Cristo è nuova alleanza d'amore. Cristo ci dà il nuovo comandamento dell'amore che sintetizza portando a pienezza i primi comandamenti, quando ricorda: "Amerai il Signore Dio tuo con tutto il cuore e il prossimo come te stesso". "Questo è il mio comandamento, che vi amiate gli uni gli altri come lo vi ho amato". Possiamo proseguire in questo modo il nostro cammino quaresimale. (don Roberto Rossi)

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

Sunday March 3 Third Sunday of Lent	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	† Nicolina Giordano, † Ndrek Dima
10:30 am	† Nicola Biancofiore, † Federico Vumbaca, † Attilio Napoli, † Frank Bellissimo
12:00 pm	† Domenico & Frank D'Urzo, † Doris Pirota
1:30 pm	Igbo Mass
7:00 pm	† Charles & Joan Kelly, † Maria Catena, † Maria Cristina
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)
Monday March 4 Lenten Weekday / Saint Casimir	
9:30 am	† Anthony Misquitta, † Rosina Scopacasa, † Francesco Barbara, Special Blessing for Herminia Coelho and In Thanksgiving
10:15 am	Mass at St. Marcellus School
Tuesday March 5 Lenten Weekday	
9:30 am	† Robert Pereira, † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, and A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
10:30 am	Confessions at St. Maurice School
Wednesday March 6 Lenten Weekday	
9:30 am	† Manuel Morta, † Roliffe D'Souza, † Virginia Rodriguez & Child, † Pedro Rodriguez, † Eleanor Treacy
7:00 pm	Parish Lenten Day of Confession
Thursday March 7 Lenten Weekday / Saints Perpetua & Felicity Martyrs	
9:30 am	† Donald Bastiampillai, † Raffaele Siconolfi
	† Gianluigi Lijoi and A Special Blessing for Albina & Amanda Lijoi
1:00 pm	Church: Confessions by Transfiguration School Students
Friday March 8 Lenten Weekday / Saint John of God, Religious	
9:30 am	† Deceased Members of the Laporte, Coleman & Savage Families, † Filomena Catalo, † Felicia Ciccone
Saturday March 9 Lenten Weekday / Saint Frances of Rome, Religious	
9:30 am	† Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
10:00 am	Mary's Way of the Cross with the CWL
2:00 pm	Baptism
3:30 pm	Mass at Parkland Retirement Home
4:30 pm	Confession
5:30 pm	† Madelena Ribeiro, † Secundino Pedreira, † Manuel Pastore
Sunday March 10 Fourth Sunday of Lent	
7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	
10:30 am	† Fiore Cimicata, † Souls in Purgatory, Special Blessings for Matthew, Natasha Cimicata & Family
12:00 pm	
7:00 pm	† Charles & Joan Kelly,
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

A presence that makes a difference! We want to acknowledge and thank the Knight of Columbus for their significant presence and the care they demonstrate for our parish. Thanks to them, we have accomplished many small works in our church. May God continue blessing them in their commitment.

LENTEN RETREAT



Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre invites all men and women to the 2024 Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 9th. Cost is \$45.00 includes coffee, tea, muffins, and a hot lunch. Mass will be celebrated during the day. To register, contact 905.278.5229 or email office@qoa.ca

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