

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 Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the parish office.

Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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"

FOLLOWING JESUS ALONG THE WAY

The Gospel of Mark that we are following this year presents to us the actions and words of Jesus during his journey to Jerusalem. This road that Jesus travels with enthusiasm and where the disciples follow him with distrust or anxiety is coming to an end. This is the context of the reading on which we meditate today.

Today we meet a blind man, who, moreover, is a beggar. In him there is obscurity, darkness, and absence. And around him there is only rejection: "Many rebuked him to make him be silent." Jesus calls him, listens to his prayer, and answers it. Even today, here, among those whom the Lord has gathered, "there are the blind and the lame"; and that is why the actions of Jesus, which are told to us, must make us more full of hope. It is at the moment in which Jesus' journey to Jerusalem ends (and where the liturgical cycle ends), that a blind beggar celebrates Jesus and recognizes him as the "Son of David", or Messiah; and this beggar regains his sight and "follows Jesus on the road". It is a symbol, an invitation. Let us ask the Lord to grant us the light of faith and give us strength, so that we follow him like the blind man, until we have reached the definitive Jerusalem. (https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20241020.html)

OUR LADY OF THE EUCHARIST



The Virgin Mary as the prayerful woman. When the world still knew nothing of her, when she was a simple girl engaged to a man of the house of David, Mary prayed. We can imagine the young girl of Nazareth wrapped in silence, in continual dialogue with God who would soon entrust her with a mission. She is already full of grace

and immaculate from the moment she was conceived; but she knows nothing yet of her surprising and extraordinary vocation and the stormy sea she will have to cross. Mary did not autonomously conduct her life: she waits for God to take the reins of her path and guide her where He wants. She is docile, and with her availability she prepares the grand events in which God takes part in the world.

The Catechism explains: "In the faith of his humble handmaid, the Gift of God", that is, the Holy Spirit, "found the acceptance he had awaited from the beginning of time".

(Pope Francis, November 18, 2020)

PARISH HEADCOUNT

The Archdiocese of Toronto is requesting our participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parish and mission communities, on this weekend of October $19^{th}/20^{th}$ and next weekend of October $26^{th}/27th$. Thank you.



PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace: **Tommasina Grella**

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

There will be a collection on October 19th and 20th for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Donation envelopes are available by the doors of our parish.

NEW PROGRAMS

Our Parish is looking for young people who have already made their Holy Communion to come and serve on the altar at one Mass over the weekend. This great service can only bring blessings on the whole family. Please contact the parish office to speak with Sr. Patricia.

We are initiating a **new** youth group. We are inviting young people grade 7 through high school to join us on **Friday**, **November 1**st **at 6:30 pm** in the parish hall. There is always fun, a chance for new friends, know how to live and experience our Faith more fully and of course, food.

2025 SACRAMENTS

All children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Holy First Communion (Grade 2+) and Confirmation (Grade 7+) are required to attend catechism classes facilitated by our parish. REGISTRATION FOR OUR SACRAMENT PROGRAMS WILL ONLY BE OPEN UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2024. WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING ANY LATE REGISTRATION.

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will be held next Sunday: October 27th. Coffee will be served following the 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon Masses. All are welcome. We extend our gratitude to everyone for their donation of baked goods.

DONATE NOW AND ON-LINE BANKING

The donated amount (September $1^{st} - 15^{th}$) to our parish through the Donate Now website is \$1085.00, and through the On-Line Banking is \$120.00.

The donated amount (September $16^{th} - 30^{th}$) to our parish through the Donate Now website is \$1320.00, and through the On-Line Banking is \$45.00.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection from the weekend of October $5^{th}/6^{th}$ was \$6,699.00.

The regular collection for the last week was \$6,079.60. We are grateful for your donation and support to our parish.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (P.A.G)

Our P.A.G total for the following months are: August 2024: \$2,097.00. September 2024: \$2,087.00 Thank you to the parishioners who are contributing to our church through this method.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Oct 26/27 Nov 23/24 Dec 28/29

Thank you to the members for helping feed the poor and disadvantaged. If you are interested in becoming a member of this program, please call our parish office at 416.247.0513.

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YOUR LIFE IS WORTH LIVING

Euthanasia is not the answer. Euthanasia (MAiD, medical assistance in dying) is sadly being normalized in Canada. When it was legalized in 2016, the law required the person to be terminally ill. Since 2021, people who die by euthanasia may only have a chronic condition. People with treatable ailments are still being approved for death. There have been many euthanasia deaths based on poverty, disability, homelessness and more. Veterans who have served the country and living with PTSD have been pressured to ask for euthanasia. This is terribly wrong. Real compassion does not kill. We must pray and work to build a culture of life and love. Do you have a story about a questionable euthanasia death, or have you felt pressured to choose euthanasia? The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition (ECP) can help. Call them at 1-877-439-3348 or email at info@epcc.ca. Life is the only choice.

SEGUIRE GESÙ PER LA STRADA

L'evangelista Marco che ascoltiamo quest'anno ci presenta le azioni e le parole di Gesù durante il suo viaggio a Gerusalemme. Questa strada che Gesù percorre con entusiasmo e dove i discepoli lo seguono con diffidenza o inquietudine, qui arriva al termine. Ecco il contesto della lettura sulla quale meditiamo oggi. Oggi incontriamo un cieco, che, in più, è un mendicante. In lui c'è oscurità, tenebre, e assenza. E attorno a lui c'è soltanto il rigetto: "Molti lo sgridavano per farlo tacere". Gesù chiama il cieco, ascolta la sua preghiera, e la esaudisce. Anche oggi, qui, tra coloro che il Signore ha riunito, "ci sono il cieco e lo zoppo"; ed è per questo che le azioni di Gesù, che ci vengono raccontate, devono renderci più pieni di speranza. È nel momento in cui termina il viaggio di Gesù a Gerusalemme (e dove termina il ciclo liturgico), che un mendicante cieco celebra Gesù e lo riconosce come "Figlio di Davide", o Messia; e questo mendicante riacquista la vista e "segue Gesù per la strada". È un simbolo, un invito. Chiediamo al Signore che ci accordi la luce della fede e ci dia vigore, affinché lo seguiamo come il cieco di Gerico, fino a che non avremo raggiunto la Gerusalemme definitiva.

(https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20241020.html)



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday October 20 Twenty-Night Sunday in Ordinary Time, Laity Sunday.

World Mission Sunday

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Augostino & Vincenza Valenza, †Teresa Francavilla

10:30 am †Agnes Kamionka, †Bruno Marcoccia, †Carlo Campoli, †Fernanda

& Charles Ciantar, †Emily Narvaez

12:00 pm †John & Lina Colosimo, †Ciriaco & Antonio Grieco, †Albert Debono, †Rosario & †Caterina Notaro, †Carmelo Notaro

1:30 pm IGBO Mass

8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday October 21 Weekday

Tuesday October 22 Weekday / Saint John Paul II, Pope

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon, All living & deceased members of the Huynh Family

Wednesday October 23 Weekday / Saint John of Capistrano, Priest
9:30 am †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, A Special Blessing for Lidia Mydlak
Thursday October 24 Weekday / Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Friday October 25 Weekday

9:30 am †Cam MacLellan Sr., †Jacinta Tolentino, †Frank Pizzimenti, †Eric Beck, Thanksgiving for blessing received by Roniella & Martin Gomes

Saturday October 26 Weekday / BVM

11:30 pm Funeral Mass: Augustinho Mendes

2:00 pm Baptism

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland

4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm †Cawrie, Josephine & Kevin Fernandes, †Lorraine Taraska

Sunday October 27 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish

10:30 am †Kevin Godfrey, †Vernon Fernandes, †Sofia Coleman, †Sergio Cortes, †Sergio Cortes Jr.

12:00 pm †Melroy Nash, †Cynthia Bensley, †Bruno Ricchio

8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

PRAY FOR THE 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 J. Zakrajse, Phyllis C., Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Jose Vaz, Karen Radeczy, Carla Chiulli,

> Luis Inting, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Ines Granda, Bonnie McGuire, Bernice DeGrace, Diana, Sabrina, Joseph Borgerding

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