



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

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEDDING OF CANA

This Sunday's Gospel presents the prodigious event that occurred at Cana, a village in Galilee, during a wedding feast also attended by Mary and Jesus, with his first disciples. The Evangelist underlines that this was the first of the signs Jesus performed. Miracles, thus, are extraordinary signs that accompany the Good News and have the purpose of causing or strengthening faith in Jesus. The miracle at Cana, is a sign of God's blessing on the marriage. The love between a man and a woman is therefore a good path through which to live the Gospel, to set out on the path of holiness.

MARY AND THE WEDDING OF CANA

Mary's prominence in this Gospel holds great weight. The words of Jesus to his Mother may sound harsh at first: "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." When taken in the context of the whole of Scripture, however, they have many profound implications. He refers to the Woman at the beginning and the end of Revelation, the Woman foretold in Genesis to crush the head of the serpent, and the Woman of Revelation clothed with the sun who brings forth a male child to rule the nations, to the fury of the dragon. This is precisely the Woman Jesus speaks to now. It will be her words that begin his public mission: When she says, "they have no wine," she is the one who is the first intercessor; and as such, she will determine the hour.

<https://www.ncregister.com/features>

ST. BLAISE: BLESSING OF THE THROAT

On Monday, 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 Mass.

FORMED

FORMED is a web-based digital platform, designed to help adults to grow in their faith and in their lives. FREE to all parishioners & your families **Register at FORMED.org**
No password is required to use this platform.

DONATE ONLINE

You can make monthly recurring or one-time donations via credit card or direct bank account debit to help support our parish. Scan the QR code to go to the Archdiocese of Toronto's donation page and select our Parish for donation or go to www.tinyurl.com/DonateTransfiguration



DONATE NOW AND ON-LINE BANKING

The donated amount (December 16th – 31st) to our parish through the Donate Now website is \$5513.00, and through the On-Line Banking is \$165.00.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for January 11th & 12th was \$6353.50. We are grateful for your donation and for supporting our parish.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Do you want to grow in your understanding of the Eucharist? Do you ever wonder what is so extraordinary about being a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion as you help with the distribution of the Eucharist during the Communion Rite Mass? Come find out! Volunteer at Transfiguration of Our Lord Church to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. If you have any questions or would like more information on becoming a Eucharistic Minister, you can contact us in the parish office at 416.247.0513. Individuals are commissioned by the Pastor and will go through a brief training.

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will be held next Sunday, January 26th following the 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon Masses. All are welcome. We would welcome donation of baked goods to share with our parish community. Thank you to the Catholic Women's for hosting this event.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Jan 25/26 Feb 22/23 Mar 29/30

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.

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach program will be collecting men's new underwear, socks, jeans (all sizes), winter coats, toques, scarves, gloves, towels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, bar soap/liquid body wash, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, Advil, Ensure/Boost and any non-perishable food items. Please place your donated items in the blue bin by the parish office.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, February 3rd 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.

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES 2025

Envelopes for the year 2025 are available in the parish hall for pick-up. They are arranged numerically. Refer to the binder provided for your name or donation envelope number.

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 Radecky, Luis Inting, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Ines Granda, Bernice DeGrace, Diana, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Feliciano Ventura

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Bishop Ivan Camilleri 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 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

Please register for reserved seating. 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. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP

Participants will learn and deepen their understanding and skills in the art of prayer in 15 weekly sessions of two hours each. Participants will overcome anxieties through healing and reconciliation, acceptance and surrender.

Start date: Wednesday, February 19th, 2025

Time & Place: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in our Parish Hall.

Contact: Ana Orellana aorellan55@gmail.com

Registration Fee: 0 **Material Cost:** \$20.00

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE, TURKEY, SICILY & ITALY

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October 11th to 24, 2025 - 14 Days

COST \$5390.00 Includes: Air transportation from Toronto, (unless specified otherwise), incl. all airport taxes and surcharges, all inside cabins, supplement \$640 per person for outside cabin. First class hotel based on double occupancy – single supplement \$1400. 3 meals daily while on the ship, breakfast and dinner in hotels. All sightseeing as per itinerary with English speaking guide, all tips in restaurants and hotels. Tips to bus driver and guides on land tours.

For further information and registrations call: 416.444.6666

Halina: ext.315 or 647.294.4116 halina@ihtours.com

(When contacting Halina, please let her know that you are a parishioner of Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish)

Please join us for the first information session on Saturday, February 22nd at 6:30 pm in the Upper Hall.

LA NOZZE DI CANA

Il Vangelo di questa domenica presenta l'evento prodigioso avvenuto a Cana, un villaggio della Galilea, durante una festa di nozze alla quale partecipano anche Maria e Gesù, con i suoi primi discepoli. L'evangelista sottolinea che «questo fu l'inizio dei segni compiuti da Gesù. I miracoli, dunque, sono segni straordinari che accompagnano la predicazione della Buona Notizia e hanno lo scopo di suscitare o rafforzare la fede in Gesù. Il miracolo compiuto a Cana, e un segno della benedizione di Dio sul matrimonio. L'amore tra l'uomo e la donna è quindi una buona strada per vivere il Vangelo, per incamminarsi sul percorso della santità.

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/it>

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday January 19 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:45 am All Living & Deceased Members of our Parish
 9:00 am †Vito Chimienti, †Mannino Seca, †Giovanni Costanza, †Lucia Mongelli, †Alessandro & Anna Panza, †Angela Tersigni
 10:30 am †Salvatore Lavecchia, †Amelia Mettalo
 12:00 pm †Patrick Kil, †Vincent Kil, †Domenic & Adelia Pitoscia, A Personal Intention
 1:30 pm IGBO Mass
 7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian
 8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday January 20 Weekday / Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Fr. Franco Ierardi, †Ivan John & Helen Klobucar, Special Blessing: Anthony Falzon
 1:15 pm Mass at St. Marcellus School Gymnasium

Tuesday January 21 Weekday / Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

- 9:30 am †Salvatore Fata, †Rod MacLean, †Souls in Purgatory, †For all the deceased members of Lamberta's Prayer Group, Special Blessings for Aniela and Rex Anthony
 7:00 pm RCIA

Wednesday January 22 Weekday / Saint Vincent, Deacon & Martyr

- 9:30 am Special Intention and Blessings for Harold & Jacki Hicks, Special Blessings for Max and Susan Gamboa, Rosemary & Family, Fr. Daniel Utrecht & Community, In Thanksgiving for Special Blessings received
 10:45 am Funeral Mass: Eufrocina Eugenio

Thursday January 23 Weekday

- 9:30 am †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Domenico Cosentino, †Francesco Frustaci and Special Blessings for Albina & Amanada Lijoi,

Friday January 24 Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Tennyson Laporte, †Charles Narciso, †Vincenzo Bertucci and A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon

Saturday January 25 Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

- 9:30 am †Hagop Stepanian, †Hacina Stepanian, A Special Intention and Blessings for Margaret Hicks and Christina Gallagher, A Special Blessing for Fr. Mc Ginnity
 2:00 pm Baptism
 3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
 4:30 pm Confessions
 5:30 pm †Ben & Ellen Ortiz and deceased family members

Sunday January 26 Third 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, Cristello, & Vincenzo, †Ugo Sisinni
 10:30 am †Josephine Campbell, Souls in Purgatory, Deceased Members of Norman & Carmen Viegas & family, Deceased Members of Christopher Ferrao & family, Thanksgiving Mass from Tony & Ivete Pinto and family
 12:00 pm †Erica Rozario, †Eufrocina Eugenio, A Personal Intention, A Special Birthday Blessing for Darlene Thorburn, A Special Blessing for Carol MacDonald
 7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Peter Frey
 8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

VOCATION

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If He is contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

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