



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 IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

With the Apostolic Letter in the form of Motu Proprio "Aperuit illis", Pope Francis has established that "the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time is dedicated to the celebration, reflection of the Word of God".

The evangelist Luke wants Christians to realize "the solidity of the teachings" received and to be convinced of the decisive importance for the history of all people of the life of Jesus. For this he places at the beginning of the narration of Jesus' public ministry a programmatic speech that immediately specifies the purpose that Jesus sets for himself. He works with the power of God; in fact, the Spirit is upon him. His will not be a human work, much less a political one, but the revelation of God's plan. His mission is to mercifully welcome all people in order to free them.

MARY AND THE WORD OF GOD

Mary recognized the Word of God at work not only in the Scriptures, but also in her own experiences. Her understanding of the great deeds of the Lord in Scripture helped her to trust in the Word of God communicated to her by the angel, that she would be the Mother of the Messiah. She trusted in the God of the Scriptures and the God of her experience. She was a person who heard the Word of God and trusted.

Her acceptance of the Word of God in her life did not separate her from the people. On the contrary, it made her more attentive to the needs of others. For example, the angel Gabriel in the moment of the Annunciation informed her that Elizabeth, her relative, in her advanced age was with child. (Luke 1:35-37) Mary, knowing that Elizabeth would need her help, set off for Judea, about 100 miles from Nazareth. (Luke 1:39-40) <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com>

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

All members are invited to a General Meeting on Saturday, February 1st following the 9:30 am Mass in the Parish Hall.

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.

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.

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



JUBILEE YEAR LAUNCH

We will have two Masses to launch the Jubilee Year and to celebrate the elevation of Frank Cardinal Leo to the College of Cardinals.

For those interested in obtaining a Jubilee indulgence, requirements include receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, attending Mass and offering prayers for the intention of the Holy Father. Confessions will be offered at least one hour prior to all celebrations noted below – all Masses will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Celebrations in the Western Region will take place as follows:

Wednesday, January 29, 2025:

St. Mary's Parish, Brampton (Cardinal Leo to preside)

Wednesday, February 5, 2025:

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke with Bishop Camilleri

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

The Feast Day of the Presentation of the Lord will be held on Sunday, February 2nd. This day celebrates Jesus' presentation at the Temple in Jerusalem 40 days after his birth. It's also known as Candlemas because of the tradition of blessing candles. Candles will be sold for \$2 & \$7 in the parish office during the weekdays and in the church on the weekend before each Mass.

ALTAR SERVERS AND YOUTH GROUP

Thank you to the parents who have supported their children in being faithful to their altar server commitment.

We will begin a new training session for those young people from grades 3-9 who have made their First Communion and who are supported by their families to fulfill the commitments of service to the Parish. Forms for registration are found at the main entrance of the church. Please complete the form so that I can get in touch with you before the formation begins. You may put the form in the collection basket whenever you attend Mass or bring it to the office.

We are looking for adults to bake cookies, brownies, etc.. for the youth group members when we gather. Water and juices are also welcomed. Please contact Sr. Patricia at: youthattransfiguration@gmail.com

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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for January 18th & 19th was \$6344.00. We are grateful for your donation and for supporting our parish.

JANUARY 26, 2025



PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:
Irene Sabido, Eufrocina Eugenio, Joyce Pascal

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 on Wednesday, February 19th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in our Parish Hall. Contact: Ana Orellana aorellan55@gmail.com
Material Cost: \$20.00

DINNER & DANCE: ITALIAN NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their Annual Dinner and Dance called ITALIAN NIGHT on February, Saturday 22nd at 7pm. All are invited to come and enjoy a wonderful evening with your fellow parishioners, friends, and family. The menu will include appetizer, breaded chicken cutlets, lasagna, vegetables, dessert, and Coffee/Tea and a cash bar. The cost is \$40.00 per person. For tickets, please contact the Grand Knight Romey Simon Sebastampillai at romeysimon@hotmail.com.

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE, TURKEY, SICILY & ITALY

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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.

DOMENICA DELLA PAROLA DI DIO

Con la Lettera apostolica in forma di Motu proprio "Aperuit illis", Papa Francesco ha stabilito che "la III Domenica del Tempo ordinario sia dedicata alla celebrazione, riflessione e divulgazione della Parola di Dio".

L'evangelista Luca vuole che i cristiani si rendano conto "della solidità degli insegnamenti" ricevuti e siano convinti dell'importanza decisiva per la storia di tutti gli uomini della vita di Gesù. Per questo soltanto lui pone all'inizio della narrazione del ministero pubblico di Gesù un discorso programmatico che precisi subito lo scopo che Gesù si prefigge. Egli opera con la potenza di Dio, difatti lo Spirito è su di lui.

La sua non sarà un'opera umana, meno che mai politica, ma la rivelazione del progetto di Dio. La sua missione è quella di accogliere misericordiosamente tutti gli uomini per liberarli.

<https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20250126.html>

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

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, †Norman & Carmen Viegas and family
†Christopher Ferrao & family, Souls in Purgatory, Thanksgiving from Tony & Ivete Pinto and family
12:00 pm †Eric Rozario, †Irene Sabido, †Eufrocina Eugenio, †Joyce Pascal, A Personal Intention, A Special Birthday Blessing for Darlene Thorburn, A Special Blessing for Carol MacDonald
7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Peter Frey, †Elizabeth & Richard Wieczorek
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday January 27 Weekday/Saint Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder

9:30 am †Yolanda Judd, †Tony Gagliano, †Bruno Stepanian, †Elizabeth Lipinski, Thanksgiving Mass for friends and family

Tuesday January 28 Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

9:30 am †Joseph Valador, †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon, A Special Intention & Blessing for Derek De Cooman & Family

Wednesday January 29 Weekday

9:30 †Maria & Nicola Micelotta, †Vincenzo & Antonio Pietroniro and deceased family members, A Special Intention & Blessing for Louis Tolfo & Family

Thursday January 30 Weekday

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Irma Castillo, †Florencia Apilan, Special Blessings for Albina & Amanada Lijoi, A Special Intention & Blessing for Nick Morgante & Family

Friday January 31 Saint John Bosco, Priest

9:30 am †Mildred Ventura, †Bhag & Phil Vaswani, †Anne Marie Graham, †Cal & Lil Murphy, †Kevin & Sandy McKay

Saturday February 1 Weekday / BVM

9:30 am †Hugo Raimondo & deceased family members, †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa. Special Blessings for Anthony Falzon, Special Blessings for Tony & Ivete Pinto and family

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland

4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm †Artur Tavares & all living & deceased family members, †John & Helen McErlain, †Patricia Giesche

Sunday February 2 The Presentation of the Lord

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Franco & Rocco Mongelli, †Fr. Vito Marziliano, †Luisa Pompili, †Anna Scelsi, †Francesca & Giuseppe Giannone

10:30 am †Marietta De Paola, †Nicola Biancofiore, †Condelora & Emilio Caporiccio, †Bernadette Cosburn

12:00 pm †Emanuel Azzopardi, †Mario DeRose, †Maria DeBartolo, †Pasquale DeBartolo

1:30 pm Igbo Mass

7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Zubeda Thawer, †Domenica & Attilio Durso, †Jeffrey & Patricia Midgley, Ugiomo Agbofino (L)

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

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