



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"

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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In the Gospel of Luke, the Beatitudes are addressed to those who have already chosen the Lord, to the disciples. Following him means abandoning everything, renouncing comforts, being detested, distancing oneself from the circles of power, money and honor. The believer who succeeds everywhere, who receives respect and consideration from the world, should tremble, be worried because he will be swallowed up and digested by the world he loves to possess. It is not a question of demagoguery or fear of life. Jesus is not a learned professor of ethics, nor a systematic author of treatises on morality. His preaching is a prophetic denunciation: short sentences and strong contrasts. The Beatitudes warn us seriously: let us establish ourselves in the truth of Jesus and try not to make mistakes at the decisive moment.

MARY AND THE BEATITUDES

Mary accompanies us, let us allow her to show us what it truly means to follow Christ: to believe in him; to trust him, to love him. For the Church has always recognized Mary as the Lord's first and best disciple. Even before Jesus was born, Mary lived in the spirit of the Beatitudes: she, who was poor, lowly and pure of heart, was fashioned by the Holy Spirit as the tabernacle of the Divine Savior. As the events in the life of Christ unfolded, Mary carefully retained them in her heart and pondered their meaning. Jesus' words, "Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it" (Lk 11:28) apply pre-eminently to Mary. Walking with our Blessed Mother we learn how to pray, how to open our heart to Jesus, how to trust in his promises, and how to bear him witness by a life of goodness and charity. <https://catholicreview.org/an-inward-pilgrimage-with-mary/>

2024 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

The Parish Tax Receipts have been prepared and will be mailed this week. We thank you for your donation to our parish. Kindly notify our office if your contact information has changed.

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for February 8th & 9th was \$5263.50. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. We are grateful for your donation and for supporting our parish.

MAGNIFICAT LENTEN COMPANION BOOK

During Lent, we are reminded that through baptism we are called to love God and each other. The Companion book is a wonderful spiritual guide for forty days, from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. Each day we are given an inspiring daily reflection, faith-based articles, prayers, poetry and devotions. It's a little treasury of spiritual insights. What a great companion for this Jubilee Year to help our journey as Pilgrims of Hope. The booklets can be picked up after each Mass starting next weekend from the Ushers in the vestibule for a donation of \$5.00 per book.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM

Food insecurity continues to affect millions of Canadians. The Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program. For the month of February, the Knights of our parish will be helping the Westway Christian Church Food bank. In order to support us, please pick up a donation envelope at the entrance of our church marked "Food For Families" and contribute to feeding our community. Thank you for helping those less fortunate.

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 Sr. Barbara can get in touch with you before the formation begins. You may put the form in the collection basket when you attend Mass or bring it to the parish 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: youthatransfiguration@gmail.com



PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

**Luigi Ferraro, Maria Tenuta,
Jose Vaz, Vincente Sotto**

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

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, Karen Radecky, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Maria Bellissimo, Jane Delgado, Bernice DeGrace, Diana, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Feliciano Ventura, Gary Cullum, Giovanna Rosa Martino

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

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 the parish office at 416.247.0513. Individuals are commissioned by the Pastor and will go through a brief training.

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SPRING 2025 CAMPAIGN

March 5th – April 24th from 7 am to 7 pm daily.

Vigil Location: SW corner of Dufferin St. & Lawrence Ave. W.

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

THE LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2025

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held on Saturday, March 29th at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. The theme this year, "Power from on High", encourages us to remember and focus on the source of our strength. Adult Rally is \$49.00; Youth Rally is \$25.00. For more tickets and information, www.LJHR.ca

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES 2025

Thank you to all the parishioners who used the envelopes last year. For those who have yet to pick up the 2025 envelopes, they are available in the parish hall, arranged numerically. Refer to the binder provided for your name or number.

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE, TURKEY, SICILY & ITALY

All cabins are sold, and the trip is fully booked. The information session scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd at 6:30 pm in the Upper Hall is now cancelled. For those who have booked the trip, Halina will contact you.

SESTA DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO ANNO C

Nel Vangelo di Luca, le beatitudini si rivolgono a coloro che hanno già scelto il Signore, ai discepoli. Seguirlo significa abbandonare tutto, rinunciare agli agi, essere detestati, allontanati dalle cerchie del potere, dai soldi e dall'onore. Il credente che riesce dappertutto, che riceve dal mondo ossequi e considerazione, si metta a tremare, si inquieti perché sarà inghiottito e digerito dal mondo che ama possedere. Non si tratta di demagogia né di paura della vita. Gesù non è un dotto professore di etica, né un sistematico autore di trattati di morale. La sua predicazione è una denuncia profetica: frasi corte e forti contrasti. Le beatitudini ci avvertono seriamente: stabiliamoci nella verità di Gesù e cerchiamo di non sbagliarci nel momento decisivo. <https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20250216.html>

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday February 16 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Luigi Priolo, †Silvio Boin, †Ignazio Saladino, †Tommaso Coia
†Antonio Graziosi
10:30 am †Anthony, Yvonne & Gideon De Sousa, †Dulcine & Casmir
D'Souza, †Carmelo Abilay, †Eufrocina Eugenio,
Special Blessings for Tony & Ivete Pinto and family
12:00 pm †Gabrielle Di Tommaso, †Francesco Bellissimo, †Irene Sabido,
†Julian D'Rozario
1:30 pm Igbo Mass4613.0
7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Sam & Rosina DiPersio, †Antonio
Silvestri, †Antonio & Sestina Conti, †Camillo & Rose Iannetti
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday February 17 Weekday/The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, Special Blessings
for Anthony Falzon, †Patrick Suraj, †Shelley Suraj

Tuesday February 18 Weekday

9:30 am †Curtis Yec La, †Benedict Perera, †Nesta Corray, Special
Blessings for Marilyn Matthew & family
10:45 am Funeral Mass (English): Roy Concessio
1:00 pm Mass for Transfiguration of Our Lord School
6:45 pm Tour of the Church: First Communion Program
7:20 pm Mass: First Communion Program

Wednesday February 19 Weekday

9:30 am †Nancy Bourgeois, †Michael D' Cunha, †Jose Vaz
Special Birthday Blessing for Luisa Spinato

Thursday February 20 Weekday

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Nicola Malfara, †Teresina Lavecchia,
Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi
Special Blessing & Healing for Dominic
7:00pm 1-Year Memorial Mass (English/Italian): Franco Fezzuoglio

Friday February 21 Weekday/St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of Church

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Teresa & Guido
Borelli, Special Blessings for Anthony Falzon & Sandra Cordeiro

Saturday February 22 The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

9:30 †Yvette & Jerome D'Silva, †Fr. Vito Marziliano, †Ciriaco Grieco,
†John Colosimo & deceased family members
2:00 pm Baptism
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Concetta Fata, †Artur Tavares, †Dominic Mesiano, †Angela
Falagario, †Yanusz Chura, †Fernanda & Igino Boni

Sunday February 23 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Ugo Sisinni, †Salvatore Insalaco, †Erminio & Maria Desimini,
†Silvio Boin, †Vito Piacente
10:30 am †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Fiore Cimicata & deceased family
members, †Anthony, Yvonne & Gideon de Sousa & deceased
family members, †Cecilia D'Souza, †John Mascarenhas
12:00 pm †Giovanni Mazzanti, †Cesare Cerrito, †Angelita Cabalang,
†Franco Fezzuoglio
7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Roy Concessio
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE DATES:

February 22nd/23rd March 29th/30th April 26th/27th

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will be held on February 23rd. Coffee will be served following the 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon Masses. All are welcome. Donations of baked goods are gratefully accepted.

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