

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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Catholic Church

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 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

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

The Gospel today proposes to us the renunciation of revenge and violence. Jesus imposes on his disciples the principle of non-resistance to evil and the commandment to love one's enemies. It is as if he were telling us: one does not triumph over evil with evil. Evil and violence are defeated when they are allowed to dissolve. Hatred can only be destroyed by the love that freely suffers it. Do these words have the appearance of madness, accustomed as we are to seeing the power and aggressiveness of the strong triumph, while evil attacks the weak and the unarmed?

We can say anything about Jesus, except that he did not know wickedness. He knew well what it meant to be hated, stripped, beaten and killed. He loved those who hated him, blessed those who cursed him. These words are not the product of a profane wisdom, which would imply a criminal irresponsibility. The only possible justification for these commandments of Jesus is his cross. Only he who says "yes" to the cross of Christ can obey these precepts and find in obedience that good triumphs over evil through love.

IN THE DEFENSE OF THE TRUTH, FIRST AID IS MARY

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mediator of all graces. She can obtain everything for us through her intercession from her divine Son. And among these graces that Mary obtains for us is that of walking in the truth protected from the snares of heresy or of being freed from it if unfortunately, we have fallen into it, or of freeing from it the brother who may be ensnared in it.

This combative aspect of the Mother of God is not always put in the right light. But it emerges clearly only if we reflect on Mary's mission to help us decisively in our fight against the satanic powers.

Mary, Mother of mercy, is also terrible precisely against the forces that hate mercy, which can only be based on the falsification of the truth and the Word of God, and therefore She is against them with a view precisely to the salvation of humanity. https://www.iltimone.org/news-timone

DONATE NOW AND ON-LINE BANKING

The donated amount (January $16^{th} - 31^{st}$) to our parish through the Donate Now website is \$25.00, and through the On-Line Banking is \$20.00.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We received at total of \$1422.25 in donations for January 2025. We thank all our parishioners for their continued generosity.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

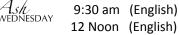
The regular collection for February 15th & 16th was \$3436.00. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. We are grateful for your donation and for supporting our parish.



DAILY MASSES

Mass will be celebrated during the weekdays at 9:30 a.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE MARCH 5, 2025



7:00 pm (English & Italian)

(Please remember that this is a day of fasting and abstinence. The law of abstinence from meat binds those from 18 - 59 years of age. This does not apply should a medical condition dictate otherwise).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Bilingual)

During the Lenten season, starting on Friday, March 7th, Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7:00 pm followed by spiritual meditation.

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.



PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace: Peter Price, Roy Consessio, Maria Bellissimo

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

2024 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

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

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 nights. The start date is deferred until February 26th. Time is from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the parish hall. Register with Ana Orellana, who will be in our church this Sunday after all the morning mass times. Or contact Anna at aorellan55@gmail.com. Material Cost: \$20.00.

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

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

SETTIMA DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO ANNO C

Il Vangelo ci propone oggi la rinuncia alla vendetta e alla violenza. Gesù impone ai suoi discepoli il principio della non resistenza al male e il comandamento dell'amore dei propri nemici. È come se ci dicesse: non si trionfa sul male con il male. Il male e la violenza sono vinti quando li si lascia dissolvere. L'odio non può essere distrutto che dall'amore che lo subisce gratuitamente. Queste parole hanno l'apparenza della follia, abituati come siamo a vedere trionfare il potere e l'aggressività dei forti, mentre il male si accanisce sui deboli e i disarmati? Di Gesù si può dire qualsiasi cosa, tranne che non abbia conosciuto la cattiveria. Egli ha conosciuto bene che cosa voleva dire essere detestato, spogliato, percosso e ucciso. Egli ha amato coloro che lo odiavano, ha benedetto coloro che lo maledicevano, queste parole non sono il prodotto di una saggezza profana, che implicherebbe una irresponsabilità criminale. La sola giustificazione possibile di questi comandamenti di Gesù è la sua croce. Solo colui che dice "sì" alla croce di Cristo può obbedire a tali precetti e trovare nell'obbedienza il bene trionfa sul male attraverso l'amore. https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

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, †Peter Price,†Roy Concessio, Maria
	Bellissimo

Monday February 24 Weekday

9:30 am †Domenic Cosentino, †Angelo & Lilliana Franceschetti, †Jane Rodrigues, †Irene Sabido, †Antonio Pietroniro & deceased family members

Tuesday February 25 Weekday

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Claire-Lise Marra, †Claudio Loprevite & deceased family members,

A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon,

7:00 pm Formation for the Parents/Guardians of the Confirmandi

Wednesday February 26 Weekday

7:00 pm 1-Month Memorial Mass: Maria Tenuta

Thursday February 27 Weekday

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi,†Anna & Carmine Maietta, Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi, Special Blessing & Healing for Domenico Thanksgiving Mass for the Holy Family

Friday February 28 Weekday

Saturday March 1 Weekday / BVM

9:30 †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Antonio Bombardieri, †Victoria Mazzuca, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland 4:30 pm Confessions

Sunday March 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Silvio Boin, †Nicolina Giordano, †Teresa Francavilla,
†Ndrek Dema, A Special Birthday Blessing for Luisa Spinato

10:30 am †Nicola Biancofiore, †David & Maria Fernandes & deceased

family members, †Francesco Gabriel

12:00 pm †Emmanuel Azzopardi,†Mario DeRose, †Rosario & Caterina Notaro, †Carmelo Notaro, †Mariano Amaral, Lourdes Cabral

1:30 pm Igbo Mass

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Items needed are individually packaged snacks, juices, bottled water, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, men's new underwear, socks, jeans, Advil, Ensure/Boost, art supplies, blank notebooks. Items can be placed in the blue bin located at the reception area of the parish office.

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