



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
St. Maurice:	45 Kingsview Blvd., Etobicoke, ON M9R 1T7	416-393-5379
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"Please remember us in your will"

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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With harsh words, certainly to better penetrate his teaching into our hard hearts, Jesus recalls one of the fundamental components of Christian life: being disciples. Whoever wants to lead his own life alone is a blind man leading a blind man; good fruit is found on a solid tree, and we are always bad judges of ourselves if someone does not help us. The teacher is Jesus, and we are his disciples, that is, those who let themselves be taught by him, who recognize his sovereign authority and trust his words. But blessed is he who, on earth, has been able to discover the spokesmen of this authority, the teachers who are not an obstacle to the only teacher, but who actualize, make concrete his word, his demands, but also his attentive love.

MARY'S DISCIPLESHIP

In life's difficult moments, we often turn to the Blessed Virgin Mary for help. It is right that we do so, for she is our Mother who loves us dearly. She is always attentive to our specific needs but her love for us does not stop there. More than that, our Blessed Mother seeks, above all, to instill in us essential characteristics of the Christian life, characteristics that she embodies and exemplifies, namely, 1) openness to God's love; 2) faithfulness in discipleship; 3) spiritual fruitfulness. Let me illustrate each of these. When the Angel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary that God had chosen her to be the Mother of his Son, the Messiah, her "yes" to God was total and ongoing. Her response to the Angel stands forever as the model for our response to God's initiatives in our lives: "Be it done to me according to your word!" Because of Mary's single-hearted openness to God's plan, she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and brought forth the world's Savior, Jesus the Christ. <https://catholicreview.org/marys-discipleship-and-ours>



Prayer Requests

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Maria Bellissimo, Denzil Hayward

Daniel Hennessy

DONATE ONLINE

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for February 22nd & 23rd was \$7549.00. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. We are grateful for your donation.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Let us come together and listen to Fr. Roni George, V.C., as he reflects about the "Pilgrims of Hope" in our church on:

Monday, March 24th: 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm

Tuesday, March 25th: 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm; Followed by a Mass

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH



St. Joseph, the beloved foster-father and guardian of Jesus and protector of the Holy Family, is celebrated the whole month of March. All are invited to attend a Solemn Mass for St. Joseph on Tuesday, March 19th at 9:30 am (English) and 7:00 pm (English & Italian).

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, March 3rd at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in March or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.



DAILY MASSES

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

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MARCH 5, 2025

9:30 am	(English)
12 Noon	(English)
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.

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, March 18th at 10:30 am

Dante Alighieri Academy

Tuesday, April 1st at 6:45 pm

First Reconciliation

Wednesday, April 2nd at 7 pm

Parish Lenten Day of Confessions

Thursday, April 3rd at 10:30 am

St. Marcellus School

Tuesday, April 8th at 10:30 am

St. Maurice School

Friday, April 11th at 10:30 am

Transfiguration of Our Lord School

Tuesday, May 27th at 7:00 pm

Students from the Confirmation Program

MARCH 2, 2025

MAGNIFICAT LENTEN COMPANION BOOK

The Companion book is a wonderful spiritual guide for forty days, from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. The booklets can be picked up after each Mass from the Ushers in the vestibule for a donation of \$5.00 per book or please see a staff member from the parish office.

VOCATION

“In the Lord your labour is not in vain”. Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God’s call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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.

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.

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

OTTAVA DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO ANNO C

Con parole rudi, certamente per far penetrare meglio il suo insegnamento nei nostri cuori duri, Gesù ricorda una delle componenti fondamentali della vita cristiana: essere discepoli. Chi vuole condurre da solo la propria vita è un cieco che conduce un cieco; il buon frutto si trova su di un albero solido, e si è sempre cattivi giudici di sé stessi se qualcuno non ci aiuta. Il maestro è Gesù, e noi siamo i suoi discepoli, cioè coloro che si lasciano istruire da lui, che riconoscono la sua autorità sovrana e si fidano delle sue parole. Ma beato colui che, sulla terra, ha saputo scoprire i portavoce di questa autorità, i maestri che non sono di ostacolo all’unico maestro, ma che attualizzano, concretizzano la sua parola, le sue esigenze, ma anche il suo amore attento. <https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20250302.html>



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

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, †Antonio De Persis
12:00 pm †Emmanuel Azzopardi, †Mario DeRose, †Rosario & Caterina Notaro, †Carmelo Notaro, †Mariano Amaral, Lourdes Cabral, †Denzil Hayward, †Daniel Hennessy
1:30 pm Igbo Mass
7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Arthur Tavares, †Nadia Hamaoui
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday March 3 Weekday

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Elvis Rego, †Roy Concessio, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon, Special Blessings for the Ghebreyohannes Family & deceased members

Tuesday March 4 Weekday / St. Casimir

- 9:30 am †Anthony Misquitta, †Rosina Scopacasa, †Francesco Barbara, †Margaret Rosario

Wednesday March 5 Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Dennis Roman, †Robert Pereira, †Vincenza Valenza
12:00 Noon †Jack & Hannah Keenan, †Isabel McLeod, †Cleto Da Costa
7:00 pm †Jacques Champagne, †Franco Djakovic, †Tony Reilly

Thursday March 6 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Manuel Morta, †Clotilde Morta, Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi
7:00 pm 1-Year Memorial Mass: Antonio Moretti

Friday March 7 Friday after Ash Wednesday / Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Maria Carolina Valador, †Manuel Ribeiro Silva, †Elena Pizzacalla
A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (bilingual) followed by spiritual meditation

Saturday March 8 Saturday after Ash Wednesday / St. John of God, Religious

- 9:30 †Goretti Pancratius
2:00 pm Baptism
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Josephine Laporte, †Bernadette Coleman, †Joseph Sebastiano, †Ana Batista

Sunday March 9 First Sunday of Lent

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Ugo Sisinni, †Silvio Boin, †Dr. Artur Sanchez, †Camilla Batista
10:30 am Special Blessings for Fr. Joby, Kachappilly and Dorian Camicata & family
12:00 pm †Domenico D’Urzo, †Francesco D’Urzo
7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 22, 2025

Location: The Old Mill (Old Mill Subway Station)

Registration: 8:00 am Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Closing Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB

For more information, call: 416.907.1042

Register at DynamicWomenFaith.com

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