



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

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C)

The moment is near when Christ will make the most radical revelation - and the most incomprehensible to man - of his power: dying on the cross. It is a "scandal to the Jews, folly to the Gentiles" (1 Cor 1:23). Jesus had already spoken to his disciples about the cross, which amazed and confused them. What they observed in social behavior is that man uses the weakness of others to assert his own power. But Jesus said to them: "The kings of the Gentiles... and those who have power over them call themselves benefactors. But it shall not be so with you" (Lk 22:25). And the Pharisees who pretend to use a poor woman, caught in the act of adultery, to compromise Jesus, actually give him the opportunity to teach his new methods with an example. First, Jesus highlights the hypocrisy of the Pharisees; then, He highlights their culpable ignorance of the law which teaches that God, being a powerful sovereign, judges with moderation and governs with indulgence. Finally, Jesus teaches the crowds that there is no greater manifestation of power than forgiveness.

MOTHER OF FORGIVENESS

While the idea of "forgiveness" is misunderstood in the modern world, it is critical in the Christian faith. A person unable to forgive has not yet known the fullness of love. Only one who truly loves is able to forgive and forget. At the foot of the Cross, Mary becomes for all people the mother of forgiveness, as she follows in the example of her Son who forgives those who are killing him. Mary is an icon of how the Church must offer forgiveness to those who seek it. The Mother of forgiveness teaches the Church that the forgiveness granted on Golgotha knows no limits. Neither the law with its quibbles, nor the wisdom of this world with its distinctions, can hold it back. The Church's forgiveness must be every bit as broad as that offered by Jesus on the Cross and by Mary at his feet. There is no other way. <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com>

HEALING THE SOUL

Many people have asked for assistance in understanding to become free of disturbances of spiritual order (attacks of evil spirits). Our parish has decided to do a general session of deliverance and healing followed by the Holy Eucharist Mass.

Where: Transfiguration of Our Lord Church

Date & Time: Friday, May 2nd from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Priest: Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon

FIRST COMMUNION CEREMONIES

Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 11:00 am

Saturday, May 10, 2025 at 11:00 am

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for March 29th & 30th was \$6,611.95. Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament. We are grateful for your donation.



HOLY THURSDAY: April 17th

7:30 pm (English & Italian)

9:30 pm (Guided Meditation ½ Hour)

Followed by adoration until midnight
(No Morning Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES: April 18th

11:00 am Stations of the Cross (Outdoor Weather Permitting)

1:00 pm (Italian) / 3:00 pm (English) / 5:00 pm (English)

7:30 pm Meditation on the 7 Words of Jesus

No Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

HOLY SATURDAY: April 19th

10:30 am: Rosary (In Honour of Our Lady of Sorrows)

11:00 am: Marian Meditation

11:30 am: Blessing of Easter Baskets

8:00 pm Solemn Mass Celebration of Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY: April 20th

7:45 am (English) / 9:00 am (Italian) / 10:30 am (English)

12 Noon (English) / 1:30 pm (Igbo) / 7:00 pm (English)

CHAPEL HOURS

The chapel will be closing on Holy Thursday at 7:00 pm and will re-open on Easter Monday, April 21st at 10:00 am

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Come Celebrate **The 65th Anniversary of Transfiguration CWL** on Saturday April 26th. Commencing with Mass at 11:30 am, followed by lunch in the Parish Hall at 1:00 pm. Cost per person is \$35.00. Tickets available in the Parish Office, and after all the Masses on the weekend of April 5th & 6th at church entrance. All women are welcome.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: APRIL 27th

All are welcome to join us for a special celebration.

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:30 pm - Holy Mass

Special limited **Divine Mercy Paschal Candle Souvenirs** are available for you to take home for a price of \$25.00 each. Please see an Usher after Mass this weekend or a parish staff during the weekdays.

JUBILEE 2025: LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

Why not consider a Lenten Pilgrimage to one of our designated Pilgrimage Churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto during this special year of blessings? A listing of these churches and resources for your visit can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee. The site also provides information for those wishing to receive a Plenary Indulgence through their visit to a Pilgrimage church. Please note that it is not necessary to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the same day as your visit to the Pilgrimage church, but can be celebrated in your own parish "within several days before or after your visit."

SHARELIFE

Your support of ShareLife-funded agencies is a saving grace for victims of domestic abuse. Maria was trapped in an abusive relationship, isolated from family and friends. A mother of three, pregnant with her fourth, she needed to escape for her safety and theirs. At Safe Centre of Peel, led by Catholic Family Services Peel-Dufferin, 17 partner agencies unite to care for families. They provide legal assistance, safe housing, and financial aid. Through your solidarity, Maria and her young children were able to secure the freedom they deserve.

Thus far we have raised \$16,470.00 toward our goal of \$74,000.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:
Luciana Cordua, Giovanni Pulsinelli, Anna Virdo

TORONTO SERRA CLUB - VOCATION

What am I racing after in my life? Fame? Fortune? A life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish-line? 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

Web: www.vocationstoronto.ca

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Most urgently needed are individually packaged snacks, e.g. chips/cookies/granola bars, 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, sports or event tickets. Items can be placed in the blue bin located at the reception area of the parish office.

V DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA (ANNO C)

È vicino il momento in cui Cristo farà la rivelazione più radicale - e la più incomprensibile per l'uomo - della sua potenza: morire sulla croce. È uno "scandalo per gli Ebrei, follia per i popoli pagani" (1Cor 1,23). Già prima Gesù aveva parlato ai suoi discepoli della croce, che li stupì e confuse. Quello che osservavano, nel comportamento sociale, è che l'uomo utilizza la debolezza degli altri per affermare il proprio potere. Ma Gesù diceva loro: "I re delle nazioni... e coloro che hanno il potere su di esse si fanno chiamare benefattori. Per voi però non sia così" (Lc 22,25). E i farisei che pretendono di usare una povera donna, colta in flagrante delitto di adulterio, per compromettere Gesù, gli danno in effetti l'occasione di insegnare con un esempio i suoi nuovi metodi. In primo luogo, Gesù mette in evidenza l'ipocrisia dei farisei; Dopo, Mette in evidenza la loro ignoranza colpevole della legge che insegna che Dio, essendo potente sovrano, giudica con moderazione e governa con indulgenza. Infine, Gesù insegna alle folle che non esiste più grande manifestazione di potere che il perdono. <https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20250406.html>



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday April 6 Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
- 9:00 am †Giovanni Cortese, †Maria Grazia, †Cristello, †Vincenzo, †Salvatore, Francesco & Agnes Armocida
- 10:30 am †Nicola Biancofiore, †Macario & Teresa Raimondo, deceased family members, Pinto & Raimondo Families (L)
- 12:00 pm †Emanuel Azzopardi, †Mario De Rose, †Domenico & Francesco D'Urzo, †Giovannarosa Martino, †Anna Virdo
- 1:30 pm Igbo Mass
- 7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Angelo & Costantina Palozzi
- 8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday April 7 Lenten Weekday / St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

- 9:30 am †Maria Carolina Valador, †Sophia Coleman, †James Savage
- †Antonio Pietroniro, deceased family members

Tuesday April 8 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Natale & Teresa Clemente, †Eric Patrao, Anthony Falzon (L)
- 10:30 am Confessions at St. Maurice School
- 7:00 pm Confirmandi: Tour of the Church

Wednesday April 9 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Antonio Pietroniro, deceased family members, Chiara (L)
- 7:00 pm 1-Month Memorial Mass: Maria Bellissimo

Thursday April 10 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Leucia Coia, †Valentino & Vincent Micallef, deceased family members, Albina & Amanda Lijoi (L)
- 7:00 pm 2-Months Memorial Mass: Crescenzo Sirizotti

Friday April 11 Lenten Weekday / St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

- 9:30 am †Clara Rodrigues, †Joseph Cutajar, Richard Nicholas & Family (L)
- 10:30 am Confessions: Transfiguration of Our Lord School
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Bilingual)

Saturday April 12 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, Anthony Falzon (L)
- 2:00 pm Baptism & Profession of Faith
- 3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
- 4:30 pm Confessions
- 5:30 pm †Antonio & Teresa De Santis, †Adamo & Vincenzina Fata, †Paul Kasic

Sunday April 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
- 9:00 am †Chiara Morano, †Anna Virdo
- 10:30 am †Barbara Sellner, †Saluzinho Pinto, Valdemir Sequeira, deceased family members, †Luciana Cordua (L)
- 12:00 pm †Mario Restante, †Carla Chiulli, †Rachele & Nicola Gallo
- 7:00 pm †Gawhara Nalbandian, †Frank Lippa, †Nella Felice, †Adriano Bressan, †Andre Vandenberghe
- 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, Karen Radecky, Gary Cullum Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Manuel Uy Jane Delgado, Bernice DeGrace, Diana, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Feliciano Ventura, Angelito Olinda

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