

Weekly Bulletin

Celebrating 65 Years of Faith, Hope, and Charity

Over the past 65 years, countless individuals - both clergy and laypeople, have selflessly shared their time, talents, and resources to help make Transfiguration of Our Lord Church a vibrant place of worship, where we come together to give thanks to God for all the blessings we've received. Let us carry on this legacy by continuing to glorify God and praying for the salvation of souls.

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Catholic Church

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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 Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the parish office.

Monday to Friday Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the Office 1 year in advance.

9:00 am to 5:00 pm Sacrament of Penance: Every Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm

Schools

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"Please remember us in your will"

XXI SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

Jesus refuses to answer the question about the number of those who will be saved: the question of salvation is not posed in general terms; it is not posed primarily for others but is posed "for me." It depends on my acceptance or rejection of the salvation Jesus offers me. The path to salvation consists in following Jesus: he is the way. The effort to enter through "the narrow gate" is the effort to follow the path taken by Jesus, that is, the path to Jerusalem, the path to Calvary. Calvary was only a stage on the journey to the final destination, a stage of great suffering, darkness, and solitude, but one that opened directly onto a world of light and joy, illuminated by the rising sun of Easter, alive with the joy of the resurrection.

MARY'S ROLE IN SALVATION HISTORY

From the Annunciation to the Crucifixion of her Son, Mary can be seen as God's ultimate validation of free will. The Virgin Mary's obedience to the will of God as conveyed to her in the angel Gabriel's message was no less voluntary in its affirmation than the disobedience of the virgin Eve had been in its negation. Mary, as the first human to kiss the face of God and the first to believe in Jesus as her Savior, took her place in Salvation History as the first Christian. She is also the one disciple of Jesus who didn't flee or doubt when all the others fled and doubted, but who stayed and accepted to the very end the burden of being under the Cross. The gift of Mary to the Church was Jesus' last human act from the Cross. He placed His mother's care in the hands of the only apostle present at the cross, the Apostle John, Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother. https://www.agapebiblestudy.com/documents

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

If you know of anyone or if you are interested in becoming a Catholic, we are currently accepting enrollment for our 2025-2026 RCIA program. The program is set to commence in the Fall. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 for an appointment pertaining to an interview with our pastor.

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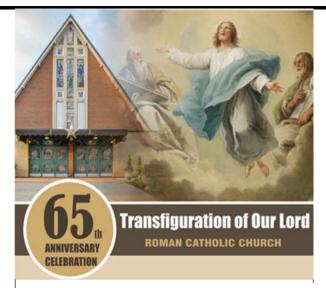
THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:
Smith Christian & Bhavika Lamba

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

August 30/31 September 27/28 October 25/26 Thank you to all our parishioners who generously help feed the poor and disadvantaged through this program. If you're able to prepare just one casserole per month, please join and call our parish office at 416.247.0513 to sign up.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 2nd at 7:00 pm</u> in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in September or later this year. Please call our parish office to register.



GALA COMMITTEE – REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

The Committee is kindly asking parishioners to reach out to individuals and local businesses for in-kind donations to be raffled at our Gala. Gift baskets, event tickets, gift cards, services and other raffle-worthy items are welcome.

Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.

Your support will help make the Gala a memorable and successful event.

For more information or to offer your support, please contact the Parish Office.

SHARELIFE

Cardinal Leo encourages you to reach out to your neighbour in need: "We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold."

Please give generously and wholeheartedly through sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel.

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,
Roman Zakrajse, Teresa Pirrello, William Bennett,
Margaret Speciale, Mark Ramjattan, John Benjamin, Jane Delgado
Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Gary Cullum, Manuel Uy,
Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz,
Joseph Borgerding, Vera Cymbal, Leo Bombardieri,
Feliciano Ventura Jr., Domenica Fantini, Ivy D'Souza,

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace: Dorothy Chen, Dr. Delta De Ponte

PRAYER LIFE WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Please join this transformative experience as you develop a relationship with God and liberate yourself from sadness and anxiety, heal wounds, surpass complexes and fears. Establish daily prayer with scriptures and learn different methods of prayer. Life tools that move you closer to living like Jesus and develop a deepening commitment with the Church.

Duration: 15 weekly sessions from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm **Start Date**: Wed., August 27th in Parish Hall. **Cost**: \$20.00 **Contact**: Chandra at chandradecom or 647.980.9600

CONFRATERNITA DI MARIA SS. DELLE GRAZIE



All are welcome to join us for a Solemn Mass on Monday, September 8th. Rosary is at 6:30 pm & Bilingual Mass at 7:00 pm. We also invite you to a special gathering for a reception of coffee and refreshments in our parish hall following the Mass.

2026 SACRAMENTS



All children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Holy First Communion (Grade 2+) and Confirmation (Grade 7+) are required to attend catechism classes facilitated by our parish.



Two information meetings have been scheduled:

Monday, September 15th at 7 pm or Tuesday, September 16th at 7 pm. These meetings will take place here at our church and the parents/guardians are required to attend one of them. Registration for the sacraments will also commence on this night. We ask that you bring the following:

- 1. Your child's baptismal certificate
- 2. \$50.00 for the registration fee

Kindly note that if your family are not registered parishioners, have no affiliation, and/or do not reside within the immediate boundaries of our church, a letter of permission is required from your home parish to allow the sacrament to be celebrated in our church. REGISTRATION FOR OUR SACRAMENT PROGRAMS WILL ONLY BE OPEN UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2025.

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Most urgently needed items for the Good Shepherd Centre are non-perishable foods: canned or packaged; individually packaged snacks, juices, bottled water, toiletries, men's new underwear, socks, jeans. Items can be placed in the blue bin located in the reception area of the parish office.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week totaled **\$6,960.50**. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your generous contributions and continued support of our church.



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday August 24 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish

9:00 am †Domenic Cosentino, †Nicola Malfara, †Egidio & Maria

Francavilla

10:30 am †Giovanni Sacco, Joseph Gallello, †Hunter & Tyler Siriunas

Gallelo, †Vita Devirgilio, †Vincent Singho

12:00 pm †Lisa & Rosario Colosimo, †Padre Fedele Biseglia,

† Dr. Delta De Ponte

7:00 pm †Souls in Purgatory

8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation

Monday August 25 Weekday/St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

members

7:30 pm Mass for the Boiano Club

Tuesday August 26 Weekday

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa,

A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon

Wednesday August 27 Saint Monica

9:30 am †Giovanni & Maria Minicucci, Special Blessing for Jesse Thursday August 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Joseph Valador, Souls in Purgatory

†Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal: Smith Christian & Bhavika Lamba

Friday August 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist

9:30 am †Damiao Rodrigues, †Molly & Bronek Gabrek,

†Debbie Turpin, †Martina Carbonero

3:00 pm Wedding: Smith Christian & Bhavika Lamba

Saturday August 30 Weekday, BVM

9:30 am †Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa,

A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland

4:30 pm Confessions

Sunday August 31 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish 9:00 am †Padre Joe Fenech, †Padre Vitaliano Papais

10:30 am †Charles Cross, †Eardley Gonsalvez

12:00 pm †Christine Kraw, Special Blessing for Efrebernard Dico & Family

8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

XXI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO C)

Gesù si rifiuta di rispondere alla domanda riguardo al numero di coloro che si salveranno: la questione della salvezza non si pone infatti in termini generali, non si pone innanzitutto per gli altri, ma si pone "per me". Dipende dalla mia accettazione o dal mio rifiuto della salvezza che Gesù mi offre. Il cammino verso la salvezza consiste nel seguire Gesù: egli è la via. Lo sforzo di entrare per "la porta stretta" è lo sforzo di seguire il cammino intrapreso da Gesù, cioè il cammino verso Gerusalemme, il cammino verso il Calvario. Il Calvario fu solo una tappa nel cammino verso la destinazione finale, una tappa di grande sofferenza, di tenebre e di solitudine, ma che sboccò direttamente su un mondo di luce e di gioia, illuminato dal sole nascente di Pasqua, vivente della gioia della risurrezione.

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