



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"

XVIII SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

The essential message of today's Gospel is so clear that it actually needs no interpretation: "Beware and beware of all covetousness, for a man's life does not consist in his possessions." And "be rich in the sight of God!". But since acquiring possessions is a fundamentally human aspiration, it is worth delving into the details of the parable of the rich fool told by Jesus. Wealth gives people a certain security, allows them to control their own lives, not to depend completely on others or the state, to organize their own sphere of life, to pursue things that please them, to realize great missions or great goals. To this extent, possessions are necessary for a righteous existence. Jesus states that possessions and wealth lead people to feel distant from God and their neighbors, to think they are insured against poverty, old age, and death, and to satisfy the pleasures of this world. And yet, for many people, material success is a symbol of God's blessing. They believe they have fulfilled their role in life well when they acquire wealth and respect. And that God cannot expect more from them. Now, for them too, the chief commandment is the ultimate criterion that will allow them to judge their lives. This is why wealth must be a means of action for everyone: a means of committing oneself to others. By helping those who are discouraged and sharing generously, one will be truly rich: rich in the eyes of God.

MARY, MOST POOR

From Mary's first appearance in the Gospels, she is clearly shown to be a person who embraced both material and spiritual poverty. She is one of the Lord's "faithful poor," his "anawim" as the ancient Israelites would have said. Material poverty was the rich soil in which her spiritual poverty grew and matured. In Mary's Journey, Fr. Louis Cameli writes: Although poverty obviously implies a lack of material wealth, we would be mistaken to limit it exclusively to material things. There is another concept of poverty that is religious, and not merely social and economic. In the Old Testament the "poor of Israel," the anawim, refers to those who are in need of God and open to his will. Their poverty is linked mainly with the possibilities of faith, not with destitution. Their lives reflect the covenant faith of Israel. They sense their dependence on God. They deeply feel a need for God's saving power in their own relatively powerless lives. The anawim remember God and know their dependence. Israel recalled the great acts of God when the people were especially mindful of God and their dependence on him. God led a poor, enslaved people out of Egypt. God brought back a poor, exiled people to their land. God called a poor young girl of Nazareth to be the mother of the Messiah. <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/articles/part-13-mary-most-poor>

CELEBRATING 65 YEARS OF FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY

This year Transfiguration of Our Lord Church marks its 65th anniversary. To celebrate the occasion, we are planning a Dinner and dance for Saturday, November 29th at 7:00pm. Tickets are limited to 250 people. In addition, a special Mass will be held on Sunday, December 7th at 12:00 Noon. More details to follow. If you have friends and family that were once part of the parish and have since moved away, please tell them about the event. We are looking for pictures and memorabilia to display at the event. They can be dropped off at the parish office during office hours.

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.

WEDDING BANN

THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:



Myr Chua & Erwin Lamagna,
Matthew Pace & Rachel Colussi
Smith Christian & Bhavika Lamba

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, August 11th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in August or later this year. Please call our parish office to register.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Wednesday, August 13th at 7:00 pm

- Queen of Heaven Cemetery (Woodbridge, ON)

Celebrant: His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop
In the event of rain, Mass will be held indoors at St. Anthony's Chapel.

- Assumption Cemetery, (Mississauga)

Celebrant: Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
In the event of rain, Mass will be held indoors at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

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, Phyllis C., 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,

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$9,334.00. We are grateful to our parishioners for the donation and support to our parish

CIVIC HOLIDAY

Civic Holiday is on Monday, August 4th, the parish office is closed and will reopen the following day.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is celebrated every year on August 15th. This feast commemorates the death of the Blessed Virgin Mary and her assumption, body and soul, into Heaven. It is the most important Marian feast, and it is also a Holy Day of Obligation.

All are welcome to join us for the 9-day novena which will commence Wednesday, August 6th (Feast Day of The Transfiguration of Our Lord) before the 9:30 am and will conclude on Thursday, August 14th. A Solemn Mass will take place Friday, August 15th at 7:00 pm in our parish.

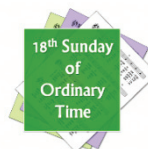
CANADIAN MISSIONS SPECIAL COLLECTION

Catholic Missions in Canada exists to advance and sustain the Catholic faith in remote and poor mission communities across Canada. The Canadian Missions Collection is scheduled for the weekend of August 16th/17th. Please donate using the designated envelopes available in the church entrance. Thank you for support of this important work.

XVIII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO C)

Il messaggio essenziale del Vangelo di oggi è talmente chiaro che, in realtà, non ha bisogno di interpretazione: "Guardatevi e tenetevi lontano da ogni cupidigia, perché la vita di un uomo non dipende dai suoi beni". E "arricchitevi davanti a Dio!". Ma, siccome conquistare dei beni è un'aspirazione fondamentalmente umana, vale quindi la pena entrare nei dettagli della parabola del ricco stolto raccontata da Gesù. La ricchezza conferisce agli uomini una certa sicurezza, permette loro di disporre della propria vita, di non dipendere completamente dagli altri o dallo Stato, di organizzare la propria sfera di vita, di occuparsi di cose che fanno loro piacere, di concretizzare grandi missioni o grandi scopi. In questa misura, i beni sono necessari per una giusta esistenza. Gesù non mette in questione il buon impiego dei beni e delle ricchezze. Ma afferma che beni e ricchezze portano gli uomini a sentirsi lontani da Dio e dal prossimo, a pensare di essere assicurati contro la miseria, la vecchiaia e la morte e a soddisfare i piaceri di questo mondo. E ancora, per molti uomini, il successo materiale è il simbolo della benedizione di Dio. Pensano di avere compiuto bene il loro ruolo nella vita quando acquisiscono ricchezza e considerazione. E che Dio non possa pretendere di più da loro. Ora, anche per essi, il principale comandamento è l'ultimo criterio che permetterà di giudicare la loro vita. Ecco perché la ricchezza deve essere per ognuno un mezzo di azione: un mezzo per impegnarsi per gli altri. Aiutando coloro che sono nello sconforto e condividendo con generosità, si sarà veramente ricchi: ricchi agli occhi di Dio.

<https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20250803.html>



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday August 3 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary time

7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	†Pina Locicero, †Angela & Michele Sala, †Felice Labrozzi
10:30 am	†Nicola Biancofiore, †Ian Pinto, Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Kibeho
12:00 pm	†Emmanuel Azzopardi, †Mario De Rose, †Maria Ambrosi,
1:30 pm	IGBO Mass
7:00 pm	Souls in Purgatory
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday August 4 Saint John Vianney, Priest / Civic Holiday

9:30 am	†Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Anthony Misquitta, Special Blessings for Anthony Falzon and for the D'Sylva Family in Australia
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Tuesday August 5 Weekday / The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

9:30 am	†Vincent & Carmen Micallef, †Maria De Paola †Giovanni & Maria Minicucci, †Helen MacLellan
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Wednesday August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:45 am	Rosary & Novena: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
9:30 am	†Oliver Martinez, †Carmela Valenza and deceased family members
7:00 pm	1-Year Memorial Mass (English): Nick Gallelo

Thursday August 7 Weekday / Saint Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest

8:45 am	Rosary & Novena: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
9:30 am	†Gianluigi Lijoi, †Valerio & Antonia Rinaldo, †Robert Pereira, †Maria Carolina Valador, Albina & Amanda Lijoi (L)
6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal: Myr Chua & Erwin Lamagna

Friday August 8 Saint Dominic, Priest

8:45 am	Rosary & Novena: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
9:30 am	†Mary & Kenneth Falzon, †Natasha Raciopa, †Domenico Cosentino, †Eric Patrao, A Special Blessing for Anthony Falzon
2:00 pm	Wedding: Myr Chua & Edwin Lamagna

Saturday August 9 Weekday / Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr; BVM

8:45 am	Rosary & Novena: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
9:30 am	†Souls in Purgatory
2:00 pm	Baptism
3:30 pm	Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm	Confessions
5:30 pm	†Mercidita Hasegawa, †Paul Lee, †Giovanni & Nicolina Sciolli, †Tony Picchiello & deceased family members

Sunday August 10 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary time

7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	†Leucia Coia, †Armando Nemi
10:30 am	†Salunzinho & Valdemir Pinto, †Irineu Dos Remedios Furtado & deceased family members, †Maria & Natale D'Urzo
12:00 pm	†Domenico & Francesco D'Urzo, †Mario Bellisario, †Vera Bellisario, Thanksgiving Mass from Edward & family, Special Blessings: 70 th Anniv. of Antonio & Anna Mazzuca
3:00 pm	Rosary & Novena: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00 pm	A Special Birthday Blessing for Antonio
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

JUBILEE 2025

The Archdiocese of Toronto invites families and individuals to join His Eminence Cardinal Leo and the Auxiliary Bishops in our Archdiocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland (16163 Hwy 12 West) on Sunday August 24th. Learn more & register: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee
Entrance Fee: Payable on Arrival, Adults \$10; Youth (0-18): Free

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