



## 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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Fr. Sami Farid Mikhail Bakhit, **Associate Pastor**

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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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*"Please remember us in your will"*

## II SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

The God who comes to meet us in the Bible does not reign indifferent to human suffering, in a blissful distance. On the contrary, he is a God who takes all this suffering to heart. He knows it (Ex 3:7). The news of God becoming man in Jesus does not leave us stunned: God comes into the heart of our lives, he allows himself to be touched by our human suffering, he asks our questions with us, he is imbued with our desperation: "My God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mark 15:34). John the Baptist says of Jesus: "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." Here is this God who allows himself to be wounded by the wickedness of man, who allows himself to be moved by the suffering of this earth.

## II DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO A)

Il Dio che viene ad incontrarci nella Bibbia non regna, indifferente alla sofferenza umana, in una lontananza beata. E' un Dio che, al contrario, si prende a cuore tutta questa sofferenza. Lui la conosce (Es 3,7). La notizia di Dio che si fa uomo in Gesù non ci lascia di sasso: Dio viene nel cuore della nostra vita, si lascia toccare dalla nostra sofferenza umana, si pone con noi le nostre domande, si compenetra della nostra disperazione: "Mio Dio, perché mi hai abbandonato?" (Mc 15,34). Giovanni Battista dice di Gesù: "Ecco l'Agnello di Dio, che toglie il peccato del mondo". Ecco questo Dio che si lascia ferire dalla cattiveria dell'uomo, che si lascia commuovere dalla sofferenza di questa terra. <https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario/20260118.html>

## MARY AND THE WEDDING OF CANA

"Mary Had A Little Lamb"? The Bible tells us that Mary's little Lamb "will save His people from their sins" and "they will call Him Immanuel" which means "God with us" (Matthew 1:21, 23). The Bible declares that Jesus Christ was a Special Lamb, a Sacrificial Lamb and a Saving Lamb.

If the story ended here, with Jesus dead on a cross, this would be a sad story to tell. Thank God, the story doesn't end at the cross. Three days after Jesus died on that cross, He came forth, alive, from the tomb (Matthew 28:1-6). And He is still alive today (Hebrews 7:25). <https://www.marionstar.com/story/news>

## PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

**Louis Peters, Ann Zamida, Giovanna Ciantar,**

**Marie Leroux, Bert Wooning, Edward Thurainayagam**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



Prayer Requests

## TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year begins on January 21, 2026, at 10:00 AM EST. Children born in 2022 are eligible for Junior Kindergarten in September 2026. For more information, please visit: [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org)



## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League is holding a Morning of Reflection on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> following the 9:30 am Mass. The guest speaker will be Sr. Kristine Fernandes, who is a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph. She will speak about the Mustard Seeds Program as part of the Fontbonne Ministries in the south Riverdale/Riverside area. They offer a safe, inclusive space with services for vulnerable adults seeking community, healing & empowerment. Join us in our parish hall for refreshments & our talk following Mass. All are welcome.

## MASS FOR THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Everyone is welcome to join us for the 9:30 am Mass on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. *A special candle will be available for purchase prior to the start of Mass.*

This feast is celebrated in the Church forty days after Christmas and commemorates the day Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. The feast is also traditionally known as *Candlemas*. As early as the fifth century, the Church marked this celebration with the blessing and lighting of candles. These candles symbolize Simeon's prophecy that Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles."

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in February or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.

## ST. BLAISE: BLESSING OF THE THROAT

On Wednesday, February 3, we will celebrate the Feast Day of St. Blaise, the Patron Saint of Throats. The Blessing of the Throats, using special candles, will take place during the 9:30am Mass. All are welcome.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: ITALIAN NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus Humber Valley Council #3945 invite everyone to their Annual Dinner and Dance, "Italian Night," on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 pm in our Parish Hall. Join us for an enjoyable evening with fellow parishioners, friends, and family. For tickets, please contact Grand Knight Romeo Sebastiampillai at romeysimon@hotmail.com.



## THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach program will be collecting men's new underwear, socks, jeans (all sizes), winter coats, toques, scarves, gloves, towels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, bar soap/liquid body wash, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, Advil, Ensure/Boost and any non-perishable food items. Please place your donated items in the blue bin by the parish office.

## MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO EUROPE 2026

### WITH FR. CARLOS SIERRA TOBON

Brochures with additional information are available at the entrance of the parish.

**COFFEE SUNDAY**

Coffee Sunday will be held next Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, following the Masses at 7:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:00 noon. All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall for fellowship and refreshments.

Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated and may be brought to share with our parish community. Thank you to the Catholic Women's for hosting this event.

**MASS HONORING AND IN GRATITUDE  
TO ANN ZAMIDA**

Fr. Carlos and the community of Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish invite all friends and parishioners to join us for a Farewell Mass in faith and prayer. This Mass will be offered in gratitude for her dedication in promoting the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and for her faithful service in caring for the chapel.

**Date: Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 7:00 pm**

Please help us spread the word and join us for this special Mass.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers:

Theresa Burns, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Lisa Petriglia, Tony Elia Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Gianfranco, Roman Zakrajse, Teresa Pirrello, William Bennett, Emily Williams, Margaret Speciale, Mark Ramjattan, John Benjamin, Jane Delgado, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Gary Cullum, Manuel Uy, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Alba Micelli, Ines, Neveah, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr., Domenica Fantini, Ivy D'Souza, Luca, Naz, Bert, Mary Sue Snow,

**PRAYER LIFE WORKSHOP**

Please join a Prayer and Life Workshop, PLW at our Parish starting on Wed., February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. The workshop consists of 15 sessions, one session per week, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The cost of the materials is \$20.00.

The workshop is: A transformative experience as you develop a relationship with GOD Liberate yourself from sadness and anxiety, heal wounds, surpass complexes and fears. Established daily prayer habits of praying with scriptures and over a dozen different prayer methods Life tools that move you closer to living like Jesus and develop a deepening commitment with the Church. Please contact Ana Orellana at [aorellan55@gmail.com](mailto:aorellan55@gmail.com).

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT**

On the weekend of February 27 - March 1, 2026, St. Augustine's Seminary is offering a Discernment Retreat at their seminary for single men aged 18+ who feel the Lord may be calling them to discern the priesthood. The retreat will start on Friday evening at 6:30 PM and will end on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM. Meals & Accommodations will be provided. A suggested donation of \$100.00 is appreciated.

**Register now or for more information, please contact:**

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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**MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE  
INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO**

**Sunday January 18 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	†Vincenzo Pannaci, †Marilyn, †Rosalia Carnovale, †Vito Carnovale
10:30 am	†Norman & Carmen Viegas, †Joe Staibano, Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm	†John Colosimo & deceased family members, †Ciriaco Grieco, †Marie Lereaux, †Edward Thurainyagam, Special Blessings for Noel & Vivienne Rodrigues' 55 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie, Special Birthday Blessing for Divina Castillo
1:30 pm	IGBO Mass
7:00 pm	†Lidia Scacci
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

**Monday January 19 Weekday**

9:30 am	†Ann Zamida, Special Blessings for Daniel Pacheco & Family Special Blessings for Denver & D'Sylva in Australia
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**Tuesday January 20 Weekday/St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr**

9:30 am	†Ivan & Helen Klobucar, Special Blessings for Mike Lane & Family, Thanksgiving Mass for the Blessed Mother Mary
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**Wednesday January 21 Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**

9:30 am	†Daniel Yurchesyn, †Anthony Misquitta, †Carmen & Vincent Micallef, Special Blessings for Ida Cassano & Family
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**Thursday January 22 Weekday/Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin**

9:30 am	†Gianluigi Lijoi, Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi, Special Blessings for Myra Misquitta, Thanksgiving Mass from Max & Susan Gamboa, Special Birthday Blessings for Ha
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**Friday January 23 Weekday**

9:30 am	†Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Hector MacNeil, †Rod MacLean, Special Birth Blessing for José Amaral
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**Saturday January 24 Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of Church**

9:30 am	†Secundino Pedreira, †Domenico Cosentino, For the protection of James Dennison
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11:00 am	Funeral Mass for Simon Okoroji with Fr. Peter Paul
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2:00 pm	Baptism
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3:30 pm	Mass at Parkland
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4:30 pm	Confessions
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5:30 pm	†Vincenzo Bertucci, †Ben & Ellen Ortiz and deceased family members, †Giovanna Girardi, †Jaime Ramirez.
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**Sunday January 25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:45 am	All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am	†Girolama Cangemi, †Giovanni Cortese, †Salvatore & Maria Agnese, †Giuseppina Testa, †Deceased Members of the Abbattista Family, †Ignacio Saladino
10:30 am	†Mario Restante, †Deceased Members of the Saluzinho, Valdemir & Pinto Families, †Nora Laguna, †Lorna Laguna, †Carla Chiulli,
12:00 pm	†Simon Okoroji, †Edward Thurainyagam, Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie
7:00 pm	†Josephn Nguyen Van Thien
8:00 pm	Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

**EXERCISE CLASS (55 PLUS)**

The Exercise Class is currently full. If you would like to be placed on the waiting list, please leave your name and contact number with the parish office. Thank you.

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