



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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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

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"Please remember us in your will"

SIXTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

The religious ideal of devout Jews consisted in observing the law, through which God's will was accomplished. Meditating on and fulfilling the law was for the Israelite his "inheritance," "a lamp for his feet," his "refuge," his "peace" (cf. Ps 119).

Jesus is the fullness of the law because he is the definitive word of the Father (Heb 1:1). The Christian is first and foremost a disciple of Jesus, not someone who fulfills the law. The Pharisees were obsessed with the literal and meticulous fulfillment of the law; but they had completely lost its spirit. Hence Jesus' words: "If your righteousness does not surpass that of the scribes and Pharisees..." Love is not primarily a diffuse feeling that allows us to always do what we want, but rather the driving force behind service to others, according to divine plans.

SESTA DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO ANNO A

L'ideale religioso degli Ebrei devoti consisteva nell'osservare la legge, attraverso la quale si realizzava la volontà di Dio. Meditare, adempiere la legge, era per l'Israelita la sua "eredità", "una lampada per i suoi passi", suo "rifugio", la sua "pace" (cf. Sal 119). Gesù è la pienezza della legge perché egli è la parola definitiva del Padre (Eb 1,1). Il cristiano è prima di tutto il discepolo di Gesù, non colui che adempie la legge. I farisei erano ossessionati dalla realizzazione letterale e minuziosa della legge, ma ne avevano completamente perso lo spirito. Di qui la parola di Gesù: "Se la vostra giustizia non supera quella degli scribi e dei farisei...". L'amore non è prima di tutto un sentimento diffuso per fare sempre quello di cui abbiamo voglia, ma al contrario il motore del servizio del prossimo, secondo i disegni divini.
<https://www.lachiesa.it/calendario>

BORN OF A WOMAN, BORN UNDER THE LAW

When Paul reflects on the incarnation in [Galatians 4:4](#), he employs precise theological language: "When the time was right, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law" (NKJV). This dual declaration reveals the profound significance of Christ's birth circumstances. The phrase "born of a woman" establishes Jesus's full humanity. Unlike the speculative musings of certain modern philosophers about Christ's nature, Paul here grounds the incarnation in concrete human reality. The second phrase, "born under the law," is equally crucial and specifically addresses Christ's Jewish identity and legal status. Jesus was born into a society that valued and appreciated the Mosaic law that had long shaped Jewish practices and customs. Christ wished to be made "under the law", that He might "redeem those who were under the law" ([Galatians 4:4-5](#)). <https://creation.com/en/articles>

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,019.00. We are sincerely grateful to our parishioners for your continued generosity and support of our parish. Pre-Authorized Giving is also available. If you would like to donate through this convenient method, please contact the parish office for more information.



WEEKDAY MASSES

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

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 18, 2026



9:30 am	(English)
12 Noon	(English)
7:00 pm	(English/Italian)

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Bilingual)

During the Lenten season, starting on Friday, February 20th, Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7:00 pm followed by a spiritual meditation.

PRAYER LIFE WORKSHOP

Please join a Prayer and Life Workshop (PLW) at our church starting on Wed., February 25th at 7:00 pm 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. To register or for more information, please contact Ana Orellana at: aorellan55@gmail.com

THE MAGNIFICAT LENTEN COMPANION FOR 2026

We have copies of the Magnificat Lenten Companion 2026. The booklet offers daily reflections, faith-filled writings, prayers, poetry and devotions. It includes meditations on the Way of the Cross and a Lenten Penance service. It's a great spiritual resource to prepare to celebrate Holy Week and Easter. Copies can be picked up after each Mass for a donation of \$5.00 each. It's a little spiritual treasure you will want to keep. Have a blessed Lent.

PASSION PLAY 2026: CALL FOR CAST & CREW

Our parish of the Transfiguration of Our Lord is hoping to present a Passion Play on Good Friday, April 3rd.

We warmly invite all youth ages 12 - 20 to take part, either as actors or by assisting in various behind-the-scenes roles. **Sunday rehearsals will take place beginning February 15th.**



We are also seeking the help of adult volunteers to assist with costumes, lighting, and the sound system. Your time and talents would be greatly appreciated as we work together to bring this meaningful presentation to our parish community.

How to Join: Kindly open your phone camera and please scan the QR code below to access the simple sign-up form. *Having trouble with the code?* You can also contact Victoria Marcoccia Vercillo for more information at: vic.marcoccia@gmail.com

2025 DONATION TAX RECEIPT

2025 Parish Tax Receipts are being processed; you will receive your tax receipt in the mail on or before Monday, February 23rd.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS HONORING & IN GRATITUDE TO ANN ZAMIDA

Fr. Carlos and the community of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church invite all friends and parishioners to join us for a Farewell Mass in faith and prayer. Please join us on Thursday, February 19th at 7:00 pm in gratitude for Ann's dedication in promoting the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and for her faithful service in caring for the chapel.

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will be held next Sunday, February 22nd, 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.

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.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

February 21|22 March 28|29 April 25|26

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parish members who generously support the Good Shepherd Casserole Program. Through your kindness and service, we are able to help feed the poor and disadvantaged in our community.

If you would like to become part of this meaningful ministry, please contact the parish office at 416-247-0513 for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: ITALIAN NIGHT

The Knights Of Columbus will be hosting their annual dinner and dance: ITALIAN NIGHT on Saturday, February 21st starting at 7:00 pm. The menu will include Garlic bread, breaded chicken cutlets, lasagna, vegetables, dessert, and Coffee/Tea. We are inviting everyone to come out and enjoy a wonderful evening with your fellow parishioners, friends, and family. Cash bar for other beverages. The cost is \$40 per person. For tickets please contact the Grand Knight Romey Simon Sebastiaipillai at: romeysimon@hotmail.com. Thank you for your support.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Do you have a deep love for the Eucharist? Share that love by serving our parish community as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Transfiguration of Our Lord Church is seeking committed parishioners to assist in the reverent distribution of Holy Communion at Mass.

If you would like more information or feel called to serve, please contact the parish office at 416-247-0513. Ministers are commissioned by the Pastor and will participate in a brief training session.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SPRING CAMPAIGN

February 18 – March 29, 2026

Join our community in peaceful prayer and witness during the Spring 40 Days for Life campaign at 811 Lawrence Ave. West (Dufferin & Lawrence). To sign up for the vigil or for more information, please visit: www.40daysforlife.com/en/toronto

THE LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2024

Please join the rally on Saturday, March 14th from 9 am to 5:30 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The theme this year is "No Greater Love". Adult Rally is \$49.00; Youth Rally is \$25.00. For more information or tickets: www.LJHR.ca

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday February 15 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Luigi Priolo, †Sandra Ruscio, †Domenica Morello, †Giuseppe DiGiovanni
10:30 am †Maria & Natale D'Urzo, Special Blessings for Tony & Ivete Pinto and family
12:00 pm †Silvana & John Tarantino, †Pepito Alves Sr., Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie
1:30 pm Igbo Mass
7:00 pm †Graciano Maglian, †Christopher Hasbun, †Jose Hasbun and deceased family members
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday February 16 Weekday/Family Day

- 9:30 am †Patrick & Shelley Suraj, †Aniela Kuncaitis, †Charles Emmanuel

Tuesday February 17 Weekday/The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

- 9:30 am †Ann Zamida, †John & Helen Mc Erlain, †Patricia Gieshe
10:15 am Mass at Dante Alighieri Academy
7:00 pm RCIA in Church

Wednesday February 18 Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Derek Derije
12:00 noon †Jack & Hannah Keenan, †Jacques Champagne,
7:00 pm †Isabel McLeod, †Franjo Djakovic

Thursday February 19 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Michael D'Cunha, †Jimmy Lalaj, †Ann Zamida, Special Blessing for Albina & Amanda Lijoi
7:00 pm 1-Month Memorial Mass (English): Ann Zamida

Friday February 20 Friday after Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Laureta Rancapan, †Denzil Hayward, †Jun Uyan, Special Birthday Blessing for Preston & Gillian

Saturday February 21 Saturday after Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 am †Rosalina Fernandes, †John & Maria Fernandes Special Birthday Blessing for Domenic Manco
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Teresa & Guido Borrelli, †Fernanda & Iginio Boni

Sunday February 22 First Sunday of Lent

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Girolama Cangemi, †Giuseppina Testa, †Silvio Boin, †Deceased members of the Chimienti family, †Domenica Morello & deceased family members
10:30 am †Fiore Camicata, †Yanush Chura, †Ben Leonetti, †Giovanni Mazzanti, †Gabriele & Yolanda Di Tommaso, Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm †John Colosimo & deceased family members, †Ciriaco Grieco, †Lina & Rosario Colosimo, †Heidi Cabilan, A Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie
7:00 pm †Artur Tavares, A Thanksgiving Mass in honour of Sacred Heart of Jesus
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN, PORTUGAL WITH FR. CARLOS SIERRA TOBON

SEPT 27 to OCT 9, 2026 13 DAYS \$5,190.00

(Toronto Departure including all taxes & tips)

Brochures with additional information are available at the entrance of our church.

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