



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"

FIFTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

If I add a large spoonful of salt to the soup, it will be inedible. Just a pinch is enough to flavor it. Or, without using an image, even if there are only a few men who tolerate the weaknesses of their neighbors (and their own, to boot!) with good humor, kindness, and indulgence, who are not only concerned with asserting themselves, pursuing their own goals and interests, this handful of men have the ability to change their environment, helping to keep our world human. Our world would be poor, inhuman, and cold if there were no men who demonstrate this spontaneous warmth and generosity. Being the salt of the earth: are we confident enough to believe in the contagious nature of goodness? Or are we content to fear the contagious power of evil? A pinch of salt is enough to spice up an entire dish.

QUINTA DOMENICA TEMPO ORDINARIO ANNO A

Se metto un grosso cucchiaino di sale nella zuppa, sarà immangiabile. Ce ne vuole solo un pizzico, che basta ad insaporirla. O, senza utilizzare un'immagine, anche se non ci sono che pochi uomini a sopportare con buon umore, bontà e indulgenza le debolezze del loro prossimo (e le loro, in più!), a non essere solo preoccupati di imporsi, di perseguire i propri scopi e i propri interessi, questo pugno di uomini ha la possibilità di cambiare il proprio ambiente, contribuendo a che il nostro mondo resti umano. Il nostro mondo sarebbe povero, inumano e freddo se non ci fossero uomini che danno prova di questa cordialità e di questa generosità spontanee. Essere il sale della terra: siamo abbastanza fiduciosi per credere al carattere contagioso della bontà? O ci accontentiamo di temere il potere contagioso del male? Un pizzico di sale basta a dare gusto a tutto un piatto. <https://www.lachiesa.it>

MARY AND SALT OF THE EARTH

Pope John Paul II addressed the crowd on his WYD theme: You are the salt of the earth ... you are the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-14). These words of Jesus, as you know, constitute the theme of the next World Youth Day. ... Young people of Ischia, be rays of Christ's light. He is the 'light of the world' (John 8:12). Radiate this light everywhere, especially where Jesus is not known and loved, or even where he is rejected. With your lives, make people understand that the light which comes from on high does not destroy the human being — on the contrary, it exalts him, just like the sun, whose brilliance throws into bold relief shapes and colors. God is not man's rival but his true friend, his most faithful ally. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, 'Star of the Sea,' guide you. She directs towards the safe haven those who sail on the great ocean of life, by shining like a bright star even in the darkest hours.

<https://www.ncregister.com/blog/our-lady-protects-youth>

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE



FEBRUARY 18, 2026

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

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 starting this Sunday 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 once a week beginning in February.

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

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. This Mass will be offered 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.

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

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

The donated amount from the P.A.G. for the month of January is \$2,099.00.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$7,169.00. We are grateful to our parishioners for the donation and support to our parish.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 Sebastiampillai at romeysimon@hotmail.com The Knights sincerely appreciate your continued support.

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.

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES 2024

Thank you to all the parishioners who used the envelopes and the P.A.G. last year. For those who have yet to pick up the 2026 envelopes, they are available in the parish hall, arranged numerically. Refer to the binder provided for your name or number.

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, Nevaeh, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr.,
Domenica Fantini, Ivy D'Souza, Luca, Naz, Bert,
Mary Sue Snow, Angelina Vumbaca, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues

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.

THE LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2024

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held 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

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This past Christmas, with your generous support, 76 families - including 150 adults and 122 children - received toys, gifts, gift cards, and food vouchers. Donations to our Annual Christmas Collection totaled \$10,186.00.

These funds help cover our expenses during the Christmas season and throughout the year. We, the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, extend our sincere gratitude to all our donors, sponsors, and volunteers whose generosity makes our work possible

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday February 8 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Francesco & Giuseppe Giannone, †Anna & Antonio Virdo, †Sergio & Pietro Rea, †Mary Melito, Special Birthday Blessing for Luisa Spinato
10:30 am †Francesco Bellissimo, †Charles & Grace Narcis, †Dino Tomassi, A Special Healing for Ivan Raic
12:00 pm †Francesco & Domenico D'urzo, †Maria Bellissimo, †Giovanna Ciantar, †Mario Bellisario, Vera Bellisario, Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie
7:00 pm † Eric Patrao
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday February 9 Weekday

9:30 am †Giacamo Giorgio, †Patria San Miguel, †Antonio Mascarenhas, Special Intentions of Teresa Silva

Tuesday February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin

9:30 am †Ann Zamida, Special Blessings for Peter & Paul, Special Birthday Blessing for Lourdes

6:45 pm Tour of the Church: First Communion Program

7:20 pm Mass with Fr. Carlos: First Communion Program

Wednesday February 11 Weekday/Our Lady of Lourdes

9:30 am †Secundino Pedreira, †Jose & Adelina Pedreira, †Hilario & Teresa, Thanksgiving for blessings received, A Special Blessing for Mangeshkar Shuhanja

Thursday February 12 Weekday

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Mario Nervo, †Edward Thurainayagam Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi, A Special Birthday Blessing for Irene Tavares

7:00 pm 1-Month Memorial Mass (English): Manuel Pereira

Friday February 13 Weekday

9:30 am †Alfred & Charlotte Turpin, † Debbie Turpin, †Maria D'Angelo, †Tommaso Coia

Saturday February 14 Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

9:30 am †All Souls especially for the F.O.S.S. members, †Daniel Yurchesyn, †Giovanni Minicucci, †Carmelo Abilay, †Rosalina & Mario Pastore

2:00 pm Baptism

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland

4:30 pm Confessions

5:30 pm †Anna Cian, †Pavica Zeljko, †Ann Zamida, Thanksgiving Mass for all graces received

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

10:30 am †Maria & Natale D'Urzo, Special Blessings for Tony & Ivete Pinto and family

12:00 pm Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie

1:30 pm Igbo Mass

7:00 pm †Graciano Maglian, †Christopher Hasbun

8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN, PORTUGAL

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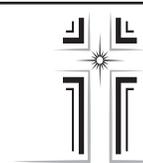


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