



## 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"*

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR A)

At the centre of the liturgy of this fourth Sunday of Lent there is the theme of light. The Gospel (cf. Jn 9:1-41) recounts the episode of the man blind from birth to whom Jesus gives sight. This miraculous sign confirms Jesus' affirmation that "I am the light of the world" (v. 5), the light that brightens our darkness. Jesus is thus. He operates illumination on two levels: a physical level and a spiritual level: the blind person first receives the sight of the eyes and then is led to faith in the "Son of Man" (v. 35), that is, in Jesus. It is all a journey.

### IV DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA (ANNO A)

Al centro della liturgia di questa quarta domenica di Quaresima c'è il tema della luce. Il Vangelo (cfr Gv 9,1-41) racconta l'episodio dell'uomo cieco dalla nascita, al quale Gesù dona la vista. Questo segno miracoloso è la conferma dell'affermazione di Gesù che dice di sé: «Sono la luce del mondo» (v. 5), la luce che rischiarerà le nostre tenebre. Così è Gesù. Egli opera l'illuminazione a due livelli: uno fisico e uno spirituale: il cieco dapprima riceve la vista degli occhi e poi è condotto alla fede nel «Figlio dell'uomo» (v. 35), cioè in Gesù. È tutto un percorso. [Angelus, 22 marzo 2020](#)

### THE VIRGIN MARY'S BEAUTY AS A WEAPON AGAINST DARKNESS

In the realm of spiritual warfare, few figures inspire as much awe and reverence as the Virgin Mary, whose beauty—both spiritual and divine—stands as a formidable force against the powers of darkness. Mary has unique role in defeating the devil, not only through her divine motherhood but through her unparalleled humility, purity, and love. Mary's radiant beauty serves as a shield against evil and a beacon of hope for humanity. Mary as the Immaculate Conception—conceived without original sin and thus uniquely pure. This purity makes her anathema to Satan, who thrives on corruption and deceit.

[The Virgin Mary's Beauty as a Weapon Against Evil: Insights from Fr. Gabriel Amorth - Our Lady Weeps](#)



### MARCH IS THE MONTH OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph, the beloved foster-father and guardian of Jesus and protector of the Holy Family, is celebrated the whole month of March. All are invited to attend a **Solemn Mass for St. Joseph on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30 am (English) and 7:00 pm (English & Italian).



### PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:  
**Flavia Galati, Gift Ilekhuoba, Jose Valinhas**

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,176.26. 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.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Bilingual)

Please join us every Friday at 7:00 pm throughout the Lenten season as we pray the Stations of the Cross in both English and Italian in our church followed by spiritual meditation.

### PARISH DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Join us on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All are welcome to come and experience God's mercy.



### HOLY THURSDAY

### MASS OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD: April 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:30 pm (English & Italian)

Followed by adoration until midnight  
(No Morning Mass)

### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES: April 3<sup>rd</sup>

11:00 am Stations of the Cross (Outdoor Weather Permitting)

1:00 pm (Italian) / 3:00 pm (English) / 5:00 pm (English)

7:30 pm Passion Play

No Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### HOLY SATURDAY: April 4<sup>th</sup>

10:30 am Rosary (In Honour of Our Lady of Sorrows)

11:00 am Marian Meditation

11:30 am Blessing of the Easter Baskets

8:00 pm Solemn Mass Celebration of Easter Vigil

### EASTER SUNDAY: April 5<sup>th</sup>

7:45 am (English) / 9:00 am (Italian) / 10:30 am (English)

12 Noon (English) / 7:00 pm (English)

### ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

The chapel will be closing on Holy Thursday at 7:00 pm and will re-open on Easter Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

### PASSION PLAY

A heartfelt thank you to all our parishioners who have signed up to take part in this year's Passion Play on Good Friday. Your willingness to share your time and talents helps bring this powerful and prayerful tradition to life for our entire parish community. We are truly grateful for your enthusiasm and commitment.

**We look forward to gathering for our rehearsal this Sunday at 1:00 PM in the Parish Hall.**

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### ANNUAL MASS FOR SR. CARMELINA TARANTINO

The Annual Mass for Sr. Carmelina Tarantino will be celebrated on Friday, March 20, 2026 at 7:30 pm at St. Margaret Mary Church, 8500 Islington Ave., Woodbridge. Telephone: 905.851.2661

All parishioners and friends are warmly invited to attend and join in prayer as we remember Sr. Carmelina and give thanks for her life and service.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL will be hosting Mary's Way of the Cross on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> (after the 9:30 am Mass). All are invited to attend. Refreshments and a general meeting are to follow in the Parish Hall.

The CWL is holding a Morning of Reflection on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> following the 9:30 am Mass. The guest speaker will be Sr. Kristine Fernandes from the Sisters of St. Joseph. She will speak about the Mustard Seeds Program run as part of the Fontbonne Ministries in the South Riverdale/Riverside area of Toronto. They offer safe inclusive space for vulnerable adults seeking community, healing and empowerment. Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments & to learn about their work. All are welcome. (Kindly note that this program was rescheduled due to the weather in January).

### COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday will be held next Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</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.

### GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

March 28|29 April 25|26 May 30|31

Thank you to all our parish members who generously support the Good Shepherd Casserole Program.

If you would like to become part of this meaningful ministry, please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 for more information.

### SHARELIFE

God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi's heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine's Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. His path has been one of both grace and challenge, yet he has walked forward without fear—because of you.

Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our parish goal this year is \$89,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### Sunday March 15 Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
9:00 am †Rosaria & Nunzio Di Millo, Deceased Members of the Fantini Family, Special Blessings for Domenica Fantini  
10:30 am †Norman & Carmen Viegas, †Angelina & Federico Vumbaca, †Rosario Sia, Souls in Purgatory  
12:00 pm †Maria & Natale D'Urzo, †Luigi & Elena Tarantino, †Adamo & Vincenza Fata, †Manuel Pereira, †Flavia Galati, †Jose Valinhas, Special Blessings for Karen & Carlyle Laurie  
1:30 pm Igbo Mass  
7:00 pm †Vittorio & Anna Bianchi, Special Blessings for Victorio, Maria Arcuri & family  
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

#### Monday March 16 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am For healing the family tree of Drazem Kelava, †Juliana & Henry John D'Souza, A Special Blessing for Christian Glab  
10:45 am Funeral Mass (English): Francesca Collini

#### Tuesday March 17 Lenten Weekday/Saint Patrick, Bishop

- 9:30 am †Reynaldo & Melchor Morta, †Pat Sandre, †Tessie Chirco, †Adelia Rodricks  
7:00 pm RCIA in Church

#### Wednesday March 18 Lenten Weekday/St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of Church

- 9:30 am †Giuseppe Fonte, †Giuseppe Alfarano, A Special Intention

#### Thursday March 19 Lenten Weekday/St. Joseph, Spouse of BVM

- 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †José Vaz, †Maria Boavida, †Oksana Bilak, Special Blessings for Albina & Amanda Lijoi  
7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory

#### Friday March 20 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Francesco Cina, †Josephine St. Helen, †Maria & Giovanni Minicucci, Souls in Purgatory  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Bilingual); followed by meditation

#### Saturday March 21 Lenten Weekday

- 9:30 am †Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League, †Constantine St. Helen, †Mate Granic  
10:15 am CWL's Mary's Way of the Cross  
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland  
4:30 pm Confessions  
5:30 pm †Antonio & Teresa De Santis, †Damiao Rodrigues

#### Sunday March 22 Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
9:00 am †Mario Panin & deceased family members, †Giuseppina Battaglia, †Francesco Chiara  
10:30 am †Hugo Raimundo & deceased family members, †Laura Nervo, †Jose Henriques, Souls in Purgatory  
12:00 pm †Anton & Ema Jakovac & deceased family members, †Ralph Carpino, †Santina & Silvio Covelli, †Francesca Collini, A Thanksgiving Mass for Karen & Carlyle Laurie  
7:00 pm †Jose Hasbun & deceased family members, †All Souls esp. F.O.S.S. Members, †Angelo & Costantina Palozzi, Special Blessings for Jadwiga Zajac & Family  
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

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