



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"

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

The Gospel from this Sunday, which is the Third Sunday of Easter, is that of the disciples of Emmaus (cf. Lk 24:13-35). The road to Emmaus is a symbol of our journey of faith: the Scriptures and the Eucharist are the indispensable elements for encountering the Lord. We too often go to Sunday Mass with our worries, difficulties and disappointments.... Life sometimes wounds us and we go away feeling sad, towards our "Emmaus", turning our backs on God's plan. We distance ourselves from God. But the Liturgy of the Word welcomes us: Jesus explains the Scriptures to us and rekindles in our hearts the warmth of faith and hope, and in Communion he gives us strength. The Word of God, the Eucharist. www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus

III DOMENICA DI PASQUA (ANNO A)

La strada di Emmaus diventa così simbolo del nostro cammino di fede: le Scritture e l'Eucaristia sono gli elementi indispensabili per l'incontro con il Signore. Anche noi arriviamo spesso alla Messa domenicale con le nostre preoccupazioni, le nostre difficoltà e delusioni... La vita a volte ci ferisce e noi ce ne andiamo tristi, verso la nostra "Emmaus", voltando le spalle al disegno di Dio. Ci allontaniamo da Dio. Ma ci accoglie la Liturgia della Parola: Gesù ci spiega le Scritture e riaccende nei nostri cuori il calore della fede e della speranza, e nella Comunione ci dà forza. Parola di Dio, Eucaristia.

MOTHER OF FORGIVENESS

Through the intercession of Most Holy Mary, let us pray that every Christian, in reliving the experience of the disciples of Emmaus, especially at Sunday Mass, may rediscover the grace of the transforming encounter with the Lord, with the Risen Lord, who is with us always. There is always a Word of God that gives us guidance after we slip; and through our weariness and disappointments there is always a Bread that is broken that keeps us going on the journey.

COFFEE SUNDAY: FEAST OF OUR LADY OF COUNSEL

Sunday, April 26th is the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel the Patroness of the Catholic Women's League. The CWL will host Coffee Sunday following all the morning Masses: 7:45 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 noon. The CWL invites you to join them for cake & coffee to celebrate this Feast of Our Lady. The intentions of the league members will be honoured at the 10:30 am Mass. All are welcome.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

April 25|26 May 30|31 June 27|28

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.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$7,409.00 We are sincerely grateful to our parishioners for the continued generosity and support of our parish.

WEDDING BANN



THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:
Samantha Davad-Daniel & Eduardo Gonzalez

SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION

REHEARSALS:

Saturday, April 25th at 3:00 pm
Tuesday, April 28th at 6:45 pm
Tuesday, May 5th at 6:45 pm

CEREMONIES:

Saturday, May 2nd at 11:00 am
Saturday, May 9th at 11:00 am

2026 NEOPHYTE MASS

Cardinal Leo will preside at the annual Neophyte Mass to celebrate with all those in the Archdiocese who will have been newly initiated, fully initiated or received into the Church this Easter. The Mass will take place at 2:00 pm on Sunday, May 17th at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond Street, Toronto. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Neophytes and their guests will be assured of reserved seating by registering by Monday, May 11th. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here:

<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/NeophyteMass-RegisterMay2026>

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org

MANDATORY MEETING NOTICE

There will be a mandatory meeting on Saturday, May 30th at 10:30 am in our Parish Hall for all those who bring Holy Communion to the sick at home using a pyx. The meeting will be led by Fr. Carlos and Fr. Sami. **Attendance is required.** Please bring your pyx. Thank you for your commitment to this important ministry.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Fr. Sol Paranas, Mary D'Andrea,

Elizabeth Piazza, Eileen Rademacher

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, Ines, Roman Zakrajse, Teresa Pirrello, William Bennett, Emily Williams, Margaret Speciale, Mark Ramjattan, John Benjamin, Jane Delgado, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Gary Cullum, Manuel Uy, Nevaeh, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Alba Micelli, Naz, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr., Luca Ivy D'Souza, Margaret Ramjattan, Sandra Rodrigues, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues, Mary Sue Snow, Angelina Vumbaca

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach program will be collecting men's new underwear, socks, jeans (all sizes), jackets, hats, t-shirts, 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.



Prayer Requests

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

Planning ahead is one of the most thoughtful and compassionate decisions you can make for your family. Join us for an informative seminar designed to help you understand your options and make confident, faith-informed decisions.

Learn about: Funeral and burial options, Planning in advance to ease burden on loved ones, Catholic teachings on cremation.

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Dates & Locations:

Queen of Heaven Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home
(Woodbridge)

April 25, 2026, at 9:00 AM

To register: 905-851-5822 ext. 1

Assumption Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home (Mississauga)
May 2, 2026, at 9:00 AM

To register: 905-670-8801 ext. 1

A DAY WITH MARY

You are invited to a “Day with Mary” taking place on Saturday, May 30th at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children’s catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. Registration will open from April 8 until May 15: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.

SHARELIFE: APRIL 26 | MAY 31

Tara’s childhood was anything but safe. Conflict and fear filled her days, and as she grew older, home became unbearable. She waited, hoping things would change, but she had to leave once she became a teenager. Because of your warm heart, Tara found safety at Covenant House Toronto, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife. After a short stay in the crisis shelter, she moved into the Rights of Passage (ROP) program, determined to rebuild her life.

You gave Tara the strength to take charge of her future—adding her name to waitlists for affordable housing and taking steps to stand on her own. In the meantime, she balanced multiple part-time jobs while staying in school, saving every dollar she could. With your caring support, she connected with a counsellor to begin working through the challenges that had forced her to leave home. Today, she’s living independently and building the future she once thought was out of reach.

ShareLife Sunday special collections are taking place next weekend on April 26. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

THE MICHAEL POWER-ST. JOSEPH CLASS OF 1976

The Michael Power-St. Joseph High School (MPSJ) graduating class of ‘76 is happy to announce its 50th Anniversary Reunion Celebration taking place on Thursday evening, June 11, 2026 at Markland Wood Golf Club in Etobicoke. If you or a family member or someone you know graduated from MPSJ in 1976 please invite them to register for the reunion at mpsclassof76.com, where ticket and menu information can be found.

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday April 19 Third Sunday of Easter

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am All Souls in Purgatory, †Angelo Valenza & deceased family members, †Theresa Bollo
10:30 am †Choezom, †Edward Shmakov, Special Blessings Dwayne De Souza, Angelo & Marsha Dias, Maureen & John Dias and Family, In Thanksgiving and Spec. Blessings: Deanna Carnevale & family
12:00 pm †John Colosimo & deceased family members, †Ciriaco Grieco, †Ultima Bruni, †Sergio Cortes, †Eileen Rademacher, A Thanksgiving Mass from the Dico Family
7:00 pm †Stanley Golas, †Salaeh Hasbun & deceased family members
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday April 20 Easter Weekday

- 9:30 am †Victoria Bertucci, †Miguel Villalobos, †Feliciano Ventura Sr., Special Blessings: Denver D’Sylva & family in Australia

Tuesday April 21 Easter Weekday/St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of Church

- 9:30 am †Lisa Mazzuca, †Wendy Holland-Short, †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Cathy Little, Special Blessings: Albina & Amanda Lijoi
7:00 pm 1-Year Memorial Mass (English/Italian): Rosa De Francesco

Wednesday April 22 Easter Weekday

- 9:30 am †Nicola Bombardieri, †Rosa Cerilli, †Anna Biljk, Special Blessings for Maria Juricvic

Thursday April 23 Easter Weekday/St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

- 9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Loreto Labuca

Friday April 24 Easter Weekday/Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

- 9:30 am †Domenico Cosentino, †Joseph Nguyen Duc Tho, †Mira Shmakov, †Lakis Elinas

Saturday April 25 Saint Mark, Evangelist

- 9:30 am †Silvana Cappadocia, †Paulina Andracchio
10:30 am Reflection with the Confirmandi and their sponsors
3:00 pm First Communion Practice
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Alicia Aton, †Juanito Ong, †Therese Kariyawasam, Special Intention for Dorin Arulnesarajah & the Eugene family

Sunday April 26 Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am All Souls in Purgatory
10:30 am †Choezom, †Lawrence Fernandes, For the intentions of the Catholic Women’s League
12:00 pm †Lina & Rozario Colosimo, †Adamo & Vincenzina Fata, Albert Debono & deceased members of the Perfetti & Debono families, †Michalina & Nicola Sebasta, †Cesarino Perri
7:00 pm †Ivan Lazor
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN, PORTUGAL SEPT 27 to OCT 9, 2026 13 DAYS \$5,190.00

(Toronto Departure including all taxes & tips)

Join Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon for a Marian Pilgrimage to France, Spain, and Portugal. Experience a spiritual journey visiting some of the most beloved Marian shrines, deepening your faith through prayer, reflection, and fellowship.

For more information or to express interest, please contact the parish office or refer to the brochure located by the entrance of our church. Travel arrangements by: International Heritage Tours: 416.444.6666 1.877.999.8868 www.ih Tours.com

For information and registrations call:

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