



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"

ASCENSION OF THE LORD (YEAR A)

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord embraces two elements. On the one hand, it directs our gaze toward heaven, where the glorified Jesus is seated at the right hand of God (cf. Mk 16:19). On the other, it reminds us of the mission of the Church. Why? Because Jesus, risen and ascended into heaven, sends His disciples to spread the Gospel throughout the world. Therefore, the Ascension urges us to lift our gaze toward heaven, only to return it immediately to the earth, ready to carry out the tasks the Risen Lord entrusts to us.

ASCENSION & ASSUMPTION

The Ascension celebrates the ascension of Jesus into heaven. The ascension of Jesus to the right hand of God the Father is verified in Scripture. Mark, ending his Gospel with Christ’s commissioning of his disciples, says, “after speaking to them, the Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at God’s right hand” (16:19). In John 20:17, Jesus warns Mary Magdalene, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Rather, go to my brothers and tell them: ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Tradition suggests that Jesus ascended into heaven at Mount Olivet near Jerusalem.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on Aug. 15 around the world. The church teaches that God took Mary — body and soul — to heaven, sparing her body from corruption in recognition of her immaculate conception and her motherhood of the Son of God. Mary was, after all, “full of grace.” Scripture referred to her as the “highly favored daughter” (Lk 1:28).

POPE’S PASTORAL WORKS - MAY 16TH & 17TH

Today, there will be a special collection for the Pope’s Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope’s Pastoral Works displays Christ’s love and compassion for people in desperate need. Special marked envelopes are available by the entrance of our church. Thank you for your support.



WEDDING BANN

THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:
Vanessa Komarnicki & Peter Spinato

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE NOTICE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 18th, in observance of the Victoria Day holiday. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, May 19th.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,641.40. We are sincerely grateful to our parishioners for the 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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



On Saturday, May 23rd at 11:00 am, we are pleased to celebrate the Confirmation Ceremony, a special occasion marking an important step in the faith journey of our students as they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We invite family and friends to join us in prayer and celebration as the students strengthen their commitment to God and the Church. May the Holy Spirit guide them with wisdom, courage, and faith. Help the students to grow in love, kindness, and service to others.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: SOCIAL DINNER & DANCE



The Knights of Columbus Humber Valley Council #3945 are pleased to host their Spring Social Dinner & Dance on Saturday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a delicious meal featuring:
Lasagna, Chicken with mushroom sauce, potatoes, vegetables, salad, dessert with coffee & tea. A cash bar will also be available. Tickets are \$40.00 per person. For tickets, please contact Grand Knight Romey Sebastampillai at: romeysimon@hotmail.com or reach out to the parish office.

MANDATORY MEETING FOR MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

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.

SHARELIFE



On the 60th World Day of Social Communication, we are invited to pause and connect with each other—for the Church, for the world, and for the future we are helping to shape together. In this moment, one truth remains clear: the Church endures because of the strength and love of parishioners like you. Your support of ShareLife supports human connection across the world, making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in our community and beyond—funding more than 40 agencies, which help children and youth, families in crisis, seniors, immigrants and refugees, people with special needs, international development and missions, and vocations. **The third ShareLife Sunday is May 31st.** Thus far we have raised \$52,703.10 toward our goal of \$89,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

NEW CHAPEL ACCESS SYSTEM

The chapel’s door access system was upgraded. Please note that the previous entry code is no longer valid. To receive new access details, kindly visit the Parish Office and complete a “Chapel Access Form.” Access will be granted within 48 hours of submission. We appreciate your cooperation and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

BUNDLE UP: SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with others on the weekend of June 6th & 7th. A Saint Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate.

There will be a truck in the church parking all weekend. Volunteers will assist with the loading before and after each Saturday and Sunday Mass.

Accept

All Clothing
All Footwear
Bedding
Drapery/Towels
Toys (new only)

Don't Accept

Baby items
Construction Material
Dishes
Furniture
Books/Video/Audio Cassettes

FILIPINO CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP DINNER & DANCE

Join us for our 3rd Annual Filipino Canadian Friendship Dinner and Dance on Saturday, June 13th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall!

Enjoy an evening of fellowship and camaraderie while savoring a delicious selection of authentic Filipino and Canadian dishes. The night will also feature exciting door prizes, a raffle draw, and a cash bar. Tickets: \$40.00 per person and are available from the parish office. Come celebrate with us - we look forward to sharing a fun and memorable evening together!



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, Luca Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr., Margaret Ramjattan, Sandra Rodrigues, Elizabeth Di Cecco, Ivy D'Souza, Fr. Jose 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.

ASCENSIONE DEL SIGNORE (ANNO A)

La Solennità dell'Ascensione del Signore abbraccia due elementi. Da una parte, dirige il nostro sguardo verso il cielo, dove Gesù glorificato siede alla destra di Dio (cf. Mc 16,19). Dall'altra, ci ricorda la missione della Chiesa. Perché? Perché Gesù, risorto e asceso al cielo, invia i suoi discepoli a diffondere il Vangelo in tutto il mondo. Perciò, l'Ascensione ci esorta a innalzare lo sguardo verso il cielo, per poi riportarlo subito alla terra, pronti a compiere i compiti che il Signore Risorto ci affida.

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday May 17 The Ascension of the Lord

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am Souls in Purgatory
10:30 am †Eldon Laporte, †Jean Pettigrew, †Angelo & Liliana Franceschetti, †Silvana & Eraldo Cappadocia & deceased family members, Special Blessings Danzel Pinto, Rukku, Anna & Ronny George and family
12:00 pm †Mario Bellisario, †Vera Bellisario, †James & Clara Cardone, †Nazleene Mohamed, †Rosa Mammone
1:30 pm Igbo Mass
7:00 pm Thanksgiving for graces and blessings received

Monday May 18 Easter Weekday/Victoria Day

9:30 am †Felipe & Raquel Nano

Tuesday May 19 Easter Weekday

9:30 am Special Blessings & Healing for Albina & Amanda Lijoi
7:00 pm Confirmation Rehearsal

Wednesday May 20 Easter Weekday/St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

9:30 am †John Colosimo
1:00 pm Living Rosary: Transfiguration of Our Lord School
7:30 pm 1-Year Memorial Mass (English): Maria D'Urzo

Thursday May 21 Easter Weekday/St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi
7:00 pm 1-Year Memorial Mass (Italian): Nunzia Di Costola

Friday May 22 Easter Weekday/Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

9:30 am †Tadeuz Glab, †Mira Shmakov, †Luciano Napolitano

Saturday May 23 Easter Weekday

9:30 am Thanksgiving for graces and blessings received
11:00 am Confirmation Ceremony
2:00 pm Baptism
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Merina Patricia Abeyinghe, †Peter Vincent Silva, †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Juana & Leonardo Tolentino

Sunday May 24 Pentecost Sunday

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Domenico Cosentino, †Antonio Perrella, †Stefano & Angela Fabrizio
10:30 am †Rollin & Lira Mendonsa, †Jose Henriques, †Frank Pizzimenti, †Alejandra & Marcelino Valiente Sr. & deceased family members, Souls in Purgatory, Thxgiving Mass: Andrea Pereira
12:00 pm †Lina & Rosario Colosimo, †Jose & Diana Da Silva
7:00 pm Souls in Purgatory
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

All are welcome to join this free webinar hosted by the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Participants will learn about:

- How to avoid problems in your Will, Powers of Attorney, and Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own Catholic legacy
- Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals

To register:

1. Scan the QR code:
2. Or visit qrco.de/WebJun6
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