



## 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

#### Schools

St. Marcellus: 15 Denfield Street, Etobicoke, ON M9R 3H2 416-393-5311

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*"Please remember us in your will"*

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

The Gospel of this Sunday, the Fifth of Easter, proposes a twofold commandment of faith: to believe in God and to believe in Jesus. They are not two separate acts but one single act of faith, full adherence to salvation brought by God the Father through his Only begotten Son. The New Testament puts an end to the Father's invisibility. God has shown his face, as Jesus' answer to the Apostle Philip confirms: "He who has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn 14:9). God can be seen; he is visible in Christ. <https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/it/angelus/>

### V DOMENICA DI PASQUA (ANNO A)

Il Vangelo dell'odierna domenica, la Quinta di Pasqua, propone un duplice comandamento sulla fede: credere in Dio e credere in Gesù. Non sono due atti separati, ma un unico atto di fede, la piena adesione alla salvezza operata da Dio Padre mediante il suo Figlio Unigenito. Il Nuovo Testamento ha posto fine all'invisibilità del Padre. Dio ha mostrato il suo volto, come conferma la risposta di Gesù all'apostolo Filippo: «Chi ha visto me, ha visto il Padre» (Gv 14,9). Dio si può vedere, è visibile in Cristo.

### OUR LADY & FAITH

Mary's journey with God was one of deep faith and great trust. She had a grace-filled openness to the mystery of God in her life. We are familiar with Luke's account of the Incarnation when the angel appeared to Mary and announced, "The Lord is with you." Mary fully grasped this message and was therefore able to believe. Because she was able to believe, she was able to respond in faith, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord, let it be done unto me according to your word." However, before Mary responded to God, the Scriptures remind us that Mary was deeply disturbed by the angel's greeting. Mary was fully human. In spite of her faith, her belief, her love, she was still disturbed. She "pondered" these words in her heart. Pondering is not simply a question of "thinking" or of trying to master the realities of faith or control them or reduce them to something our minds can handle. Rather, it is a question of letting the realities of faith be with us, to enter into us and reveal themselves to us. It is allowing ourselves to be molded by them, to allow God's will to become our will. It is fostering both an attitude and atmosphere of trust and openness in our lives.

<https://bostoncatholic.org/mary-our-model-of-faith>

### PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Antonio Reda, Antonietta Bertola



### WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,449.00. 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.

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

During Catholic Education Week (May 3 – 8, 2026), we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where children can experience the joy of God's love and understand the Christian mission in the world. Let us journey with our parishes, educators and families to sow and nurture the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, encouraging them to embrace lives of holiness and Christian witness as one body in Christ. To indicate your support of Catholic education and sign-up for email updates, visit: [www.togetherinfaith.ca](http://www.togetherinfaith.ca).

### NEW CHAPEL ACCESS SYSTEM

Effective April 27<sup>th</sup>, the chapel's door access system was upgraded. Please note that the previous entry code is no longer valid. To receive the 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.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in May or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.

### WEDDING BANN



THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:

Samantha Davad-Daniel & Eduardo Gonzalez  
Vanessa Komarnicki & Peter Spinato

### SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION

REHEARSAL:

Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 pm

CEREMONY:

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



The Confirmation ceremony will be celebrated in our parish on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 am

### MANDATORY MEETING FOR MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

There will be a mandatory meeting on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 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 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, Elizabeth Di Cecco, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues, Mary Sue Snow, Angelina Vumbaca

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### 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 23, 2026, starting 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](mailto:romeysimon@hotmail.com) or reach out to the parish office.

### 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.

### SHARELIFE



Bradley's life was in ruins, shattered by addiction and a pain so deep, he couldn't escape. At just 14, drugs became his refuge, a desperate attempt to numb the emptiness that consumed him. He fought to build something—a job, a home, a family—but addiction tore it all apart.

For Bradley, the road to healing seemed impossible—until you stepped in. Through your kindness, he found the Good Shepherd's DARE Program, made possible by your support of ShareLife.

Thus far we have raised \$27,683.00 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](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### FILIPINO CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP DINNER & DANCE

Join us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> 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!



### THE MICHAEL POWER-ST. JOSEPH CLASS OF 1976

The Michael Power-St. Joseph High School (MPSJ) graduating class of 1976 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](http://mpsclassof76.com), where ticket and menu information can be found.

### MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### Sunday May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
9:00 am †Rosalia Carnovale  
10:30 am †Carmen Falzon, †Maria Rosaria Galle, †Philomena Mascarenas, †Sudesh Rodrigues, Special Blessings for Angelo, Marsha, Maureen & John Dias and family  
12:00 pm †Deceased Members of the Birko & Kustec families, †Alexis Velasquez, †Addorolata Iannetta, Special Birthday Blessing for Michael Tomczak  
1:30 pm Igbo Mass  
7:00 pm †Nicola Biancofiore, †Constancia Bugay, A Thanksgiving Mass  
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

#### Monday May 4 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Anthony Misquitta, †Mira Shmakov, †Rudolfo Escribano, Special Intentions of Teresa Silva

#### Tuesday May 5 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Robert Pereira, †Alexis Velasquez, †Rodolfo Escribano, Special Blessings & Healing for Albina & Amanda Lijoi, Special Birthday Blessings for Liana Castillo  
6:45 pm First Communion Practice

#### Wednesday May 6 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Hector Fernandes, Special Birthday Blessings for Yuri

#### Thursday May 7 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Maria Carolina Valador, †Lucy & Paul Sciberras, †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Rodolfo Escribano, Spec. B-day Blessings for Taissa

#### Friday May 8 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Eric Patrao, †Mira Shmakov, †Alexander Todd

#### Saturday May 9 Easter Weekday

9:30 am †Anna Lodoserto, †Mira Shmakov, Souls in Purgatory  
11:00 am First Communion Ceremony  
2:00 pm Baptism  
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland  
4:30 pm Confessions  
5:30 pm †Dorin Arulnesarajah, †Manuel Pereira, †Zulmira Carreiro, †Elvira Da Costa

#### Sunday May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish  
9:00 am †Girolama Cangemi, †Vincenze Carnovale  
10:30 am †Gilda Gabriele, †Anna & Fortunato Augurusa, †Anna & Giuseppe D'Urzo, Special Blessings for Angelo, Marsha, Maureen & John Dias and family, In Thanksgiving & Special Blessings for Deanna Carnevale & Family  
12:00 pm †Francesco & Domenico D'Urzo, †Adelina Quiteria, †Lina Colosimo & deceased family members, †Anna Schiavone, †Filomena Grieco, †Teresa Adamo  
7:00 pm †Alexis Velasquez  
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

### MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST

Join the Toronto Chapter for the 52<sup>nd</sup> Magnificat breakfast. Treat your mother, sister, colleague or friend to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry. Priests will also be available for those women who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confession.

**Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am - 12:30 pm**

**St. Benedict Parish Hall: 2194 Kipling Ave. Etobicoke, ON**

Registration \$35.00 Register Online or Register by Mail

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