



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

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"Please remember us in your will"

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

This Sunday's Gospel reading (see Mt 11:25-30) is divided into three parts: first of all, Jesus raises a prayer of blessing and thanksgiving to the Father, because He revealed to the poor and to the simple the mystery of the Kingdom of heaven; then He reveals the intimate and unique relationship between Himself and the Father; and finally He invites us to go to Him and to follow Him to find solace.

MARY AND HUMILITY

Mary's secret is humility. It is her humility that attracted God's gaze to her. The human eye always looks for grandeur and allows itself to be dazzled by what is flashy. Instead, God does not look at the appearance, God looks at the heart (cf 1 Sam 16:7) and is enchanted by humility. Looking at Mary assumed into heaven, we can say that humility is the way that leads to Heaven. The word "humility", as we know, comes from the Latin word humus, which means "earth". It is paradoxical: to arrive on high, into Heaven, what is needed is to stay low, like the earth! Jesus teaches this: "the one who humbles himself will be exalted" (Lk 14:11). God does not exalt us because of our gifts, because of our wealth or how well we do things, but because of humility. Mary, in fact, attributes no other "title" except servant to herself, she is, "the servant of the Lord" (Lk 1:38). she seeks nothing else for herself, only to be the servant of the Lord.

MISSION CO-OP APPEAL: JULY 4TH/5TH

Please join us in welcoming Fr. John Ngbapia Bakiri to our parish this weekend. Fr. John, from South Sudan, will share with us the life and ministry of the Church in the Diocese of Tombura-Yambio. This is an opportunity to learn about the faith, challenges, and pastoral work of the Church in this region. Among the Diocese's greatest needs are the economic empowerment of women affected by war and educational support for seminarians. Many women are single mothers caring for three to six children and struggling to provide food, healthcare, and school supplies. A monetary gift can provide a family with farming tools and seeds, enabling them to grow food, earn income, and support their children's needs. The Diocese also seeks scholarships for 200 seminarians preparing for future service to the Church. The Mission Coop donation envelopes are available by the entrance for the church.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

A Baptism Preparation Class will be held on Monday, July 6th, at 7 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of children who will be baptized in July or later this year.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$6,014.00. 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.

**WEDDING BANN****THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:**

Julia Favretto & Michael Pimentel

"So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

2026 - 2027 SACRAMENTS

For those students eligible to receive their First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2027, please contact the parish office to receive the registration form.



If you are interested in becoming a member of the Catechist team, please contact the parish office to schedule an appointment for an interview with our pastor.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA is the process through which adults are welcomed into the Catholic Church and prepared to receive the sacraments.

Registration is now open for the 2026 - 2027 program. For more information or to arrange an interview with the pastor, please contact the parish office at 416-247-0513.

HOLY ROSARY

All are invited to join us in prayer before the 9:30 am daily Mass.

- Holy Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 8:45 am
- Rosary of Our Lady of Sorrows: Tuesdays at 8:45 am

Come and spend time in prayer with our parish community as we prepare our hearts for the Eucharist.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Berta Weis, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues, Francisco Rodriguez

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

BROWN SCAPULAR ENROLMENT CEREMONY

The Enrolment Ceremony for the Brown Scapular will take place on the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Thursday, July 16th, following the 9:30 am Mass in our church. All parishioners who have not yet been enrolled in the Brown Scapular are warmly invited to attend. Brown Scapulars will be blessed and distributed during the ceremony. We encourage all interested parishioners to join us for this special devotion.

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, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr., Margaret Ramjattan, Sandra Rodrigues, Luca, Ivy D'Souza, Michael, Mary Sue Snow, Angelina Vumbaca, Teresa Bellissimo, Michele Cordirenzi

SHARELIFE

Matthew's mother, Anna, spent years lying awake at night, fearing for her son's future. Diagnosed with autism as a baby, Matthew's needs became more complex as he grew. She did everything she could to support him, but when his aggression became too difficult to manage, she made the heartbreaking decision to find community housing for him.

Through your generous heart, Matthew found Mary Centre, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife, where he is truly understood. From the moment he arrived, he was met with patience, kindness, and the care he needed to thrive. For the first time in years, Anna could finally breathe again. "I never thought I'd find a place where my son would be safe," Anna shares. "Now, I finally have peace." Your gift to ShareLife gives mothers peace of mind and a future filled with hope.

Thus far we have raised \$62,192.75 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.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Cemetery location and celebrants for this year's Annual Mass are as follows:

Cemetery	Celebrant
Assumption, Mississauga	Most Rev. John Corriveau
Christ the King, Markham	Most Rev. Robert Kasun
Holy Cross, Thornhill	His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo
Mount Hope, Toronto	Most Rev. J. Gerard Pettipas
Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge	Most Ivan Camilleri
Resurrection, Whitby	Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
St. Mary's, Barrie	Reverend Msgr. Owen Keenan

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Most urgently needed items for the Good Shepherd Centre are individually packaged snacks, juices, bottled water, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, men's new underwear, socks, jeans, Advil, Ensure/Boost, art supplies, blank notebooks. Items can be placed in the blue bin located at the reception area of the parish office.

NEW CHAPEL ACCESS SYSTEM FROM 9 PM TO 7 AM

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 a few days of submission. We appreciate your cooperation and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

XIV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO A)

Il brano evangelico di questa domenica (cfr Mt 11,25-30) è articolato in tre parti: anzitutto Gesù innalza un inno di benedizione e di ringraziamento al Padre, perché ha rivelato ai poveri e ai semplici il mistero del Regno dei cieli; poi svela il rapporto intimo e singolare che c'è tra Lui e il Padre; e infine invita ad andare a Lui e a seguirlo per trovare sollievo.

**MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL****SCHEDULE****INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO****Monday July 6 Weekday/Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr**

9:30 am Special Intention of Drazena Kelava,
Special Blessing for Teresa Silva

Tuesday July 7 Weekday

9:30 am †Maria Carolina Valador, †Donald Bastiampillai,
Special Blessings & Healing for Albina and Amanda Lijoi

Wednesday July 8 Weekday

9:30 am †Jose Vaz, †Adelina Oliveira, †Mario Bellisario, †Eric Patrao

Thursday July 9 Weekday/St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest &**Companions, Martyrs**

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Giselda & Giuseppe Greco
7:00 pm 1-Month Memorial Mass (English & Italian): Vito De Caria

Friday July 10 Weekday

9:30 am †Victoria Bertucci, †Mira Shmakov

Saturday July 11 Saint Benedict, Abbot

9:30 am All Souls in Purgatory
2:00 pm Baptism
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Thanksgiving for Graces and Blessings received

Sunday July 12 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Angelo & Rose Patania, †Donato & Giuseppe Di Giovanni
10:30 am †Josephine Laporte, †Edward Coleman,
†Deceased members of Galle & Tassone Families,
Special Blessings Zara, Mila George Pinto & Family
12:00 pm †Edward Thurainayagam, †Domenico & Francesco D'Urzo,
†Angela & Ida D'Ambrosi
7:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF - VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE

A devastating series of earthquakes struck north-central Venezuela on June 24th making it the country's largest seismic disaster in more than a century. Two powerful earthquakes—a magnitude of 7.2 followed just 39 seconds later with a magnitude of 7.5 near Yumare/San Felipe in Yaracuy State, causing catastrophic damage across much of the country. As of June 29, official reports indicate more than 1,400 people have died, 3,000 people have been injured, thousands are reported missing and tens of thousands of families have been left homeless.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through our Catholic partners in South America to support relief efforts underway. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website – www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Donations Processing Centre – 437-529-1287
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Transfiguration of Our Lord Church – Venezuela Earthquake. The Humanitarian Relief donation envelopes are available by the entrance for the church.

PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTER

Parishioners who require a pastoral reference letter may submit a request through the parish office. Reference letters are issued at the discretion of the pastor and are available to parishioners who are personally known to him.

To be eligible, applicants must be active members of the parish, regularly attend Mass, and participate in the life of the parish community. Please note that reference letters cannot be provided for individuals who are not known to the pastor or who do not regularly participate in parish life.

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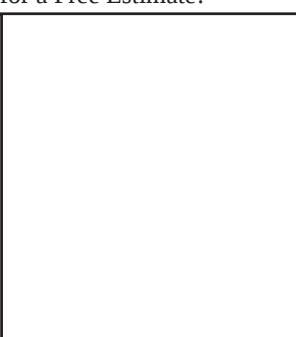
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