



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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Mrs. Rhoda Marcoccia, **Administrative Assistant**

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
St. Maurice:	45 Kingsview Blvd., Etobicoke, ON M9R 1T7	416-393-5379
Transfiguration:	55 Ludstone Dr, Etobicoke, ON M9R 2J2	416-393-5276

"Please remember us in your will"

XXI SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

Today in the Gospel (cf. Mt 16:13–20), Jesus asks the disciples an important question: “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” The answers are good ones—many see Him as a great teacher, a remarkable figure, someone special. But is this enough to understand who He truly is? And above all, is it enough for Jesus? If He were simply a figure from the past—like John the Baptist, Moses, Elijah, or the great prophets—He would remain only a beautiful memory of a bygone time. And for Jesus, this is not enough. So, He immediately asks the decisive question: “But who do you—you! —say that I am?” Who am I for you, now? Jesus does not want to be a historical figure admired from a distance. He wants to be Someone alive and important for you today. Christ is not a memory of the past; He is the God of the present.

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2023/documents>

MARY'S PROFESSION OF FAITH

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples: “Who do you say that I am?” Peter answers with faith, recognizing Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. This profession of faith is the foundation of the Church. Mary, the Mother of Jesus, teaches us this same path of faith. Long before Peter spoke, she had already answered the Lord with her whole life. At the Annunciation she said, “Let it be done to me,” welcoming the Son of the living God into her womb. Her entire existence is a silent, steady profession: “You are my Lord.” Peter proclaims Christ with his words; Mary proclaims Him with her life.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Maria Civichino, Gianfranco Rosolen,
Domenico Dinatolo, Lena Mc Clelland

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

August 29/30 September 26/27 October 24/25

Good Shepherd serves upward of 1,000 meals each day, making it one the largest free meal program in the City of Toronto. Meal guests include seniors, people living on disability payments, people living in poverty, and homeless men and women.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the members who continue to help feed the poor and disadvantaged through their generosity and monthly service. If you are interested in becoming a part of this meaningful program, please contact our parish office at 416.247.0513.

**WEDDING BANN**

THERE IS A PROMISE OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN:

Vanessa Astarita & Christopher Goncalves

“Lord, bless this couple as they prepare to join their lives in marriage. May their union be filled with peace, faith, and enduring happiness.”

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

A Baptism Preparation Class will be held on Monday, September 14th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of children who will be baptized in September or later this year.

2026–2027 SACRAMENTS

Students who are eligible to receive their First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2027 are asked to contact the Parish Office to obtain a registration form.

Parent/Guardian: 2 information meetings have been scheduled:

- Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Both meetings will take place in the **Parish Hall**.

Parents/guardians are required to attend one of these meetings. A completed registration form for the sacraments may be submitted at either meeting. **Please bring the following:**

1. Your child's Baptismal Certificate
2. \$50.00 registration fee
3. For Confirmandi: Your sponsor's Confirmation Certificate

Important Information

If your family is not registered as parishioners, has no affiliation with our parish, and/or does not reside within the immediate boundaries of our church, a letter of permission from your home parish is required for the sacrament to be celebrated at our church. We look forward to welcoming you and accompanying your children on their sacramental journey. **Registration will be open only until Friday, October 30, 2026. Late registrations will not be accepted.**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian of Adults is the way that a non-baptized person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church. It provides the ritual actions for all the stages of initiation, as well as guides those who might not participate in the full Rite, but who are not yet in full Communion with the Church.

If you know of anyone or if you are interested in becoming a Catholic, we are currently accepting enrollment for our 2026 - 2027 RCIA program. Please contact the Parish Office at 416.247.0513 for an appointment pertaining to an interview with our pastor.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Join the Knights of Columbus, Humber Valley Council #3945, for their Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, September 20, 2026, at Cardinal Golf Club, 2740 Davis Drive West, King, ON L7B 0G7.

Registration Fee: \$150 per golfer.

Please register and send your e-transfer by August 31, 2026.

E-Transfer: Humber Valley. Email: kofcfs3945@gmail.com

Kindly include your name or the names of your foursome with your e-transfer. To register or for more information, contact: Rocky Gualtieri 416-799-686 or email: rocky.gualtieri@gmail.com
Thank you for supporting Seminarian Vocations.

SHARELIFE

We have raised a total of \$71,628.65 towards our goal of \$89,500.00 for our **ShareLife Campaign**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was \$8,614.00. We are sincerely grateful to our parishioners for the continued generosity and support of our parish.

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, 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, Luca, Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Ramon Ortiz, Alba Micelli, Michael, Joseph Borgerding, Leo Bombardieri, Ann, Feliciano Ventura Jr., Margaret Ramjattan, Sandra Rodrigues, Ivy D'Souza, Michele Cordirezzi, Mary Sue Snow, Angelina Vumbaca, Teresa Bellissimo, Humberto De Sousa, Onelia Girardo, Patrick Swan, Linda Plejic

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

After a summer break, the Bereavement Group will resume meeting on Thursday, September 17th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We warmly invite all our returning members to join us again, and new members are always welcome. Come share in a supportive and caring community of fellowship, understanding, and hope. We look forward to welcoming you back and meeting those who are joining us for the first time.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: CANADIAN MISSIONS

Thank you for supporting the Special Collection for Canadian Missions last weekend. If you have not yet had a chance to donate, specially marked envelopes are still available by the entrance of the church. Your generosity helps support and strengthen the Catholic faith in isolated, impoverished, and hard-to-reach mission communities across Canada.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

A non-profit, community-based counselling agencies offering:

**Counselling, Wellness Groups,
Marriage Preparation & Woman Abuse**

Contact: Central Toronto Office, 1155 Yonge Street, Suite 200, Toronto,
Tel: (416) 921-1163, info@cfstoronto.com www.cfstoronto.com (Fee Payment)

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.

XXI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO A)

Oggi nel Vangelo (cf. Mt 16, 13-20), Gesù pone ai discepoli una domanda importante: «Chi dice la gente che sia il Figlio dell'uomo?». Le risposte sono positive: molti lo considerano un grande maestro, una persona speciale. Ma basta questo per capire chi Egli è davvero? E soprattutto, è sufficiente per Gesù? Se fosse soltanto un personaggio del passato—come Giovanni Battista, Mosè, Elia o i grandi profeti—rimarrebbe solo un bel ricordo di un tempo ormai lontano. E per Gesù questo non basta. Perciò subito dopo pone la domanda decisiva: «Ma voi—proprio voi! —chi dite che io sia?». Chi sono io per voi, adesso? Gesù non vuole essere una figura storica ammirata da lontano. Vuole essere qualcuno vivo e importante per te oggi. Cristo non è un ricordo del passato; è il Dio del presente.

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/it/angelus/2014>

MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday August 23 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Nicola Malfara, †Antonio Perrella, †Angela & Caterina Mongelli, †Amadeo & Caterina Speciale, †Brigida Novielli
10:30 am †Deceased members of the Barros & Sa Families, †Matthew & Wayne Dishart, †Giovanni Sacco, †Joe Gallelo, †Tyler & Hunter Siriunas-Gallelo, Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm †Vita Virgilio, †Teresa Rossotto De Virgilio, †Pasquale Colangelo, †Elizabeth & Richard Wiecezorek, †Gary Wiecezorek, †Carmela D'Fusco,
7:00 pm †Bozena Lesiuk, All Souls in Purgatory, Maria Ziolkowska (L)
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

Monday August 24 Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

9:30 am †Domenico Cosentino, †Rappai & Rosa Therattil & dec. family, †Lonappan & Theresia Kokkat & deceased family members
7:30 pm Mass (English & Italian): Boiano Club

Tuesday August 25 Weekday/St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

9:30 am Special Blessings & Healing for Albina and Amanda Lijoi

Wednesday August 26 Weekday

9:30 am †Leonardo Cornacchia & For graces & blessings received

Thursday August 27 Saint Monica

9:30 am †Gianluigi Lijoi, †Maria Lala
6:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal: Vanessa Astarita/Christopher Goncalves

Friday August 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:30 am †Molly & Bronek Gabrek, †Joseph Valador, †Edward & Mira Shmakov, †Apolonia & Felipe Oamil, Robert & Daisy Pataueg (L)

Saturday August 29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

9:30 am †Juan & Angela, Souls in Purgatory
11:30 am Wedding: Vanessa Astarita & Christopher Goncalvez
3:30 pm Mass at Parkland
4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm †Damiao Rodrigues, †Mauritizia Filipelli, †Patricia Ramos, †Juana & Leonardo Tolentino, †Mercidita Hasegawa

Sunday August 30 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our Parish
9:00 am †Girolama Cangemi, †Gianfranco Rosolen
10:30 am †Charles Cross, †Eardley Gonsalvez, †Gianfranco Rosolen, †Anthony, Yvonne & Gideon de Sousa & deceased family members, Souls in Purgatory
12:00 pm †Irma Castillo, †Ferdinand Jakovac, Deceased members of the Prpic family
7:00 pm For graces & blessings received
8:00 pm Adoration (with ½ hour Meditation)

PRAYER LIFE WORKSHOP: SEPT. 9th to DEC. 16th

Please join this transformative experience as you deepen skills in the art of prayer during a 15 week 2-hour sessions from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in our Parish Hall. Participants will learn to overcome anxieties, through healing, reconciliation, acceptance and abandonment. Please contact Monica Blenkhorn at monicablenkhorn@gmail.com or call 416.878.1696. A registration form can be found at the entrance of our church
Workshop Cost: \$0.00 Material Cost: \$20.00.

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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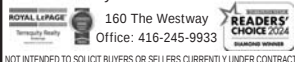
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