

Weekly Bulletin

Parish Mission Statement:

We are God's Instruments who strive to grow by sharing and nurturing our joint commitment to Christ's message of love. And by committing ourselves to serve the needs of the parish as stewards for the sake of God's kingdom.

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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 Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the parish office.

Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

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"

GOSPEL REFLECTION

What are you looking for? - Jesus is the fulfillment of every promise by God the Father. Jesus is the fullness of love, the provider of mercy, the divine healer, the perfect mediator of all our prayers and concerns and everything else we truly need. So, why does it feel like something is still missing? Why do our lives feel incomplete? Why do our prayers seem unanswered? The answer is revealed in what happened after Andrew began to follow Jesus. We read about it in Samuel's response to God's invitation. We proclaim it in the Responsorial Psalm: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Andrew, his brother Simon Peter, and the other disciples were privileged to witness first-hand the wondrous miracles of Jesus. They personally experienced God's love through the gentle eyes of Jesus, the tone of kindness in his voice, and the forgiveness that was visible in his smile.

Yet with all of this, they did not really find all that they were looking for (remember how easily Peter felt afraid or confused or uncertain) until they were on the giving end of it. They didn't discover the fullness of Jesus until Jesus was no longer present in the flesh and they accepted their calling to continue Christ's earthly ministry.



FEAST OF SANTO NIÑO

Join us for a special celebration on Saturday, January 20th (Rosary at 11 am and Mass at 11:30 am). Bring your Santo Niño statue for the blessing during the Mass. A pot-luck lunch will be held in the parish hall after Mass and procession. Everyone is invited.

PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES 2024

Thank you to all the parishioners who used the envelopes and the P.A.G. last year. For those who have yet to pick up the 2024 envelopes, they are available in the parish hall, arranged numerically. Refer to the binder provided for your name or number.

TORONTO SERRA CLUB: VOCATION

If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

NOVENA FOR CANCER

All are welcome to join us for Mass every Tuesday at 9:30 am. After the Mass, we will pray a novena to Saint Michael of the Saints: A Trinitarian mystic and patron saint of cancer patients. We will pray for all who are affected by cancer and pray for prevention of getting this illness with the blessing of his relics.

CHAPEL ADORATION

"Spiritual Walk-In Clinic" with Dr. Jesus 24/7

Our parish is honoured with an opportunity to have an adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours/day, 7 days/week exposed in our chapel for the last 21 years. If you would like to commit one hour a week or be a "backup", please leave your name and contact number in the parish office. All are welcome to come and pray.

PREMS APPROACH

This is a program with a method to work with individuals and their families dealing with intellectual challenges such as Autism and Down Syndrome. Weekly Sessions: Mondays at 7:15 pm at Transfiguration of Our Lord School Gymnasium starting on February 5th.

Contact Info: Linda 416.473.1149 & Fr. Carlos 416.247.0513

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Theresa Burns, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Lisa Petriglia,
Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Raphael Colaco, Gianfranco,
Dana McGrath, Roman Joe Zakrajse, Enzo, Domenica,
Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Joe Simardone, Sergio Rea,
Margaret Ramjattan, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Jose Vaz,
Karen Radeczy, Carla Chiulli, John Stibler, Graziella Marcoccia,
Katherine Idzik, Domenico Loprevite, Maria Bellissimo,
Jane Delgado, Ramon Ortiz, Ines Granda, Willie Leon

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS



May the souls of the departed rest in peace: Minh Phung, Colin MacNeil, Danuta Kociolek, Vittorio Simone, Iginio Caporiccio, Domenico Colanonio, Domenico Tissi

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a baptism preparation class on Monday, February 5th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall for parents and godparents of the children being baptized in February or later this year. Please contact the parish office at 416.247.0513 to register.

FIDUCIA SUPPLICANS

Fiducia Supplicans is a declaration on Catholic doctrine that allows Catholic priests to bless couples who are not considered to be married according to church teaching, including the blessing of same-sex couples. All are invited to our parish hall on Thursday, February 29th at 7 pm for a friendly conversation on this declaration.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLE PROGRAM

January 27/28 February 24/25 March 30/31 Our program feeds the poor and disadvantaged. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call our office at 416.247.0513.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOP

Please join us for a transformative experience as you develop a more profound relationship with God. Participants will learn and deepen skills in the art of prayer in 15 weekly sessions of two hours each. Participants will overcome anxieties through healing and reconciliation, acceptance and surrender.

When: Every Wednesday starting February 7th Where: Transfiguration of Our Lord Upper Hall

Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

No registration fee. Material fee: \$20.00

Contact: Ana Orellana at aorellan55@gmail.com

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

"SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD ABOVE AND BEYOND ALL OTHER THINGS"

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto, entitled, "Seeking the Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things". This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and our collective efforts to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese. The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: www.archtoronto.org

ROSARY



Every Sunday at 8:30 am before the Italian Mass. All are welcome to come and pray in our church.

MEDITAZIONE SPIRITUALE

Domande - Questo è il centro della nostra fede: Vuoi sapere chi sono? "Seguimi!".

Gesù non ha mai dato soluzioni, né pratiche da seguire non ha mai detto cosa fare o cosa non fare. Questa è la bellezza ma anche la fatica del cristianesimo.

Gesù ti propone un cammino. Se lo vuoi, lo percorri.

Gesù non ha fatto una catechesi. Ha detto solo: "Venite e vedrete". Cioè: "State un po' con me, venite a casa mia, ascoltate quello che dico, guardate quello che faccio". Gesù non ha mai costretto nessuno (né dobbiamo farlo noi). Era un invito, una proposta e molti, infatti, non lo seguirono (ad esempio il giovane ricco) e si guardò bene dal rincorrerlo perché la fede, come l'amore, si alimenta della libertà.

Il cristianesimo non è una teoria o una serie di pratiche ma è un'esperienza, un rapporto, una relazione. Il cristianesimo è vita! I suoi discepoli li porterà in mezzo alla gente, in mezzo al dolore, in mezzo alla festa: insomma dovungue c'era la vita.

(Paolo Di Martino)

INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE INTENZIONI DI MESSA E PROGRAMMA LITURGICO

Sunday January 14 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our parish
9:00 am † Rosa Clarizio, † Michelino Sala, † Guido Falsarella

Graziella Marcoccia (L), Thanksgiving Mass

10:30 am † Titus Pinto, † Pedro Paulo Serran, † Ramona Pelly,

† Minh Phung, Rowan Dias & Family (L)

Colantonio, † Domenico Tissi

Monday January 15 Weekday

9:30 am A Special Healing for Maria Tolentino-Vilar

10:30 am Mass at St. Marcellus School

Tuesday January 16 Weekday

9:30 am † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, † Rosa

Amato, † Karen Marshall, Special Blessing A. Falzon

Wednesday January 17 Saint Anthony, Abbot

9:30 am † Mato Pavlakovic, † Ben Aquino, † Blessy Cajes,

† Secundino Pedreira

7:00 pm 1-Year Memorial Mass: Maria Priolo

Thursday January 18 Weekday / Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

9:30 am † Mirek Macecek, † Souls in Purgatory

Friday January 19 Weekday

9:30 am Souls in Purgatory, † Barbara & George Lazarus Saturday January 20 Weekday / St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian,

Martyr BVM

9:30 am † Mary & Kenneth Falzon, † Natasha Raciopa, A. Falzon

11:00 am Rosary for Santo Niño 11:30 am Mass for Santo Niño

3:30 pm Mass at Parkland Retirement Home

4:30 pm Confession

Deceased Family Members

Sunday January 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 am All living & deceased members of our parish

9:00 am

10:30 am † Peter Diakopoulos, † Iginio Caporiccio, † Salvatore

Piacente

12:00 pm Deceased Members of Colosimo, Grieco & Bellisario

Families

1:30 pm IGBO Mass

2024 SACRAMENTS

Registration is now complete and classes for the First Communion program and the Confirmation program have begun in Transfiguration of Our Lord School.



The class for the First Communion Program is at 6:45 pm and the class for the Confirmation Program is at 7:00 pm on Tuesday nights.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (P.A.G)

P.A.G helps support the parish's work through your regular offertory gift. Parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. P.A.G allows you to donate to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly into the parish's account. Please contact the parish office if you would like to enrol in the P.A.G.

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