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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday	8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 8:00pm
Friday	8:30am to 12:00noon, 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Saturday	11:00am to 4:30pm

The Church is open during the following hours:

Monday to Friday	7:00am to 9:00am, 11:00am to 1:00pm
First Friday	7:00am to 1:00pm
Saturday	8:00am to 10:00am, 3:30pm to 6:00pm
Sunday	7:00am to 1:30pm, 6:00pm to 8:00pm

SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES

Saturday	Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday	8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm, 7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday	8:00am & 12:30pm
Saturday	9:00am
Public Holiday	9:00am only

FIRST FRIDAYS

Mass followed by Exposition	8:00am
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	12:15pm
Mass	12:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	9:30am & 4:00pm
(At other times by appointment)	

BAPTISMS

Parents themselves should pick up and return a completed Baptism Information Form to the parish office at least 4 months in advance of the anticipated baptismal date. An interview with a parish priest or deacon is required. Parents of children to be baptized should be registered members of our Parish Community. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation Meeting is mandatory.

MARRIAGE

Couples themselves must contact the parish office at least *one full year in advance* of the anticipated marriage date. No date may be set before meeting with a priest. A Marriage Preparation Course is required. If either party has been previously married, permission to proceed must be obtained from the Chancery Office of the Archdiocese.

CARE of the SICK Visitation and/or Communion for the sick upon request.

LEGION OF MARY - Prayer group Saturday Mornings at 10:00am.

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"The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ."

**GOOD FRIDAY PONTIFICAL COLLECTION
FOR THE HOLY LAND
March 25th, 2016**

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on **Good Friday March 25, 2016**. Our Parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land. *"He who does acts of mercy, let him do them with cheerfulness."* Romans 12:8.

LECTIO DIVINA

As a result of extensive renovations underway at St. Michael's Cathedral, Lectio Divina with Cardinal Collins will travel throughout the archdiocese in 2016. On Sunday April 3, it will be hosted at St. Joseph the Worker Parish (1100 Mary St. North, Oshawa).

Lectio Divina ("divine, or sacred, reading") is the name given to a spiritual tradition among Christians over the last two hundred years. This form of prayer involves three distinct stages: (a) reading a short scripture passage, (b) reflection on the passage and (c) a short period of silence. We begin with Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 7:00PM, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30PM—8:15PM. All are welcome to join in this special evening of prayer.

THEY NEED OUR PRAYERS



Lent is a special time for those men and women preparing to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. Please keep them in your prayers, asking God to lead them to the fullness of their faith.

**GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF FASTING
& ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT!
Also, join us for Station of the Cross at
7:00PM**



**HOLY WEEK & EASTER
SCHEDULE 2016**

Monday, March 21st

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Penance Service & Individual Confessions at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, March 22nd & Wednesday, March 23rd

Masses at 8:00 AM & 12:30 PM

Thursday, March 24th

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper—8:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

Parish Office Hours: 8:30 AM—12:00 Noon

Friday, March 25th

GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—1:00 PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion—3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross—7:00 PM

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, March 26th

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil Mass—8:00 PM

Parish Office Closed

Sunday, March 27th

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM

(No 7:00PM Mass)

Monday, March 28th

EASTER MONDAY

Mass at 9:00AM ONLY

Parish Office Closed

LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Followed by Individual Confessions

Monday March 21st—7:00PM

There will be many priests available to hear confessions on this evening.

USE OF INCENSE AT HOLY WEEK MASSES



A courtesy message to parishioners who are sensitive to burning incense:

Incense will be used at the Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday masses.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARELIFE

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- *Suma, former camper and Silent Voice day program counselor.*

Last year, more than 600 deaf children received support through Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camps.

OUR PARISH TOTAL TO DATE:

\$41,210.45

Thank you for your generosity

Next ShareLife Sunday is April 17, 2016.

Please give generously. You can work wonders!



PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

We pray for the all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those who died recently: *Domingo Riomaio.*

ALTAR SERVERS' REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

To all altar servers who've signed up to serve at the Easter Triduum Masses. Please note the following rehearsal times:



Holy Thursday—March 24th at 6:30PM

Good Friday—March 25th at 10:00AM
(for both 1:00PM & 3:00PM service)

Holy Saturday—March 26th at 11:00AM

Please arrive on time so we can begin promptly.

RCIA REHEARSAL

RCIA candidates are reminded that rehearsal for the Holy Saturday Vigil Mass is on **Saturday March 26th at 10:00AM.**

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Ava Victoria Abraham-Henry, Sebastian Lucas

Traballo, & Bryce Yamagishi. Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.

SUNDAY PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND MINISTRY

The Sunday Pastoral Care Ministry visits sick and housebound parishioners who are unable to attend mass. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



This weekend we take up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your support.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intention

March 20th—March 26th

Our lamps are lit:

In loving memory of Antonio Figueira.

So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished.

Requested by: dad, mom, your loving sister

Kerry-Ann and brother-in-law Lucio.

In loving memory of Giuseppina Lima, loving wife, mother and Nonna. Gone but not forgotten.

We love you and miss you everyday.

Requested by: her loving husband, daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren.

In loving memory of Joseph De Souza, you will forever live in our hearts.

Requested by your loving wife Olga, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and great-great grandchild.

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