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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday 8:00 am First Friday of the Month 7:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

11:00 am 12:30 pm 4:30 pm

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

and any time upon request

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday 7:50 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Perpetual Help - Saturday 8:20 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group -

Last Wednesday of the month 5:30 -6:30 pm

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Please remember St. Mary Immaculate Parish in your will. Thank you!



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this Marriage Sunday, I want to wish all the married couples of the Parish many blessings from the Lord. You are a real sign of God's presence in today's world.

My prayers are with the couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony in our Parish. May the Lord strengthen your commitment and fill you with His blessings.

For couples struggling with a troubled marriage, separation or divorce, may God guide them into a future filled with hope.

I want to **thank you** for your ongoing support and your generosity to the Maintenance & Building Fund. Last weekend, we collected \$16,988.

This Wednesday we will begin Holy Season of Lent. I hope you have an incredible Lenten season and may your spiritual journey head in the right direction!

As a Parish Community we will have so many opportunities to get closer to Our Redeemer this Lent through Parish Mission, Day of Confession, Talks and Works of Charity. Pick up our Lenten schedule and put it in a visible place at home! Have a great Holy Season of Lent.

Praying for you and Your Families,

Fr. Pawel

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wed. Feb 14		Ash Wednesday
Sat. Feb 17	Memorial	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

READINGS THIS WEEK

11 Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46: 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1: Mark 1.40-45

12 James 1.1-11: Mark 8.11-13 13 James 1.12-18: Mark 8.14-21

14 Joel 2.12-18: 2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2: Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18

15 Deuteronomy 30.15-20: Luke 9.22-25 16 Isaiah 58.1-9a: Matthew 9.14-15 17 Isaiah 58.9b-14: Luke 5.27-32

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE- FEBRUARY 14

6:30 am Liturgy of the Word with distribution of the Ashes **8:00 am** Mass

12:10 pm Bilingual Mass

7:00 pm Mass

GUIDELINES FOR LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. All Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat. In Canada, Catholics

may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day. Fasting is obligatory from ages 18-59. However, the law of abstinence binds those who are ages 14 and above. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat only one full meal, and two small snacks that together don't add up to a full meal.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK-FEBRUARY 11

Thirty years ago, Saint John Paul II instituted the **World Day of the Sick** to encourage the people of God, Catholic health institutions and civil society to be increasingly attentive to the sick and to those who care for them. We encourage you to use this occasion as an opportunity to pray for the sick and recognize those who provide them assistance and care. We especially remember and pray for all those who have suffered and continue to suffer.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

The 2024 offertory envelope boxes are available for pick up and are located at the back of the Church. Envelopes are organized by the first letter of the surname. If you would like envelopes or need assistance, please contact the parish office. It is important that you mark your name and address on each envelope to ensure your donations are applied correctly in the system. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

2023 TAX RECEIPTS

2023 tax receipts are now available. Please contact the Parish office to arrange pick up or to have them mailed to you.

PACZKI DONUTS

Paczki donuts will be available for purchase this weekend **February 10/11** after all the Masses in the Church foyer. This is a Polish tradition in anticipation of the 40 days of fasting required during the religious season of Lent.

A STAR ON THE MANTLE OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE

Salt & Light TV has recorded an amazing story on our new Monstrance. To learn more about our Monstrance and to watch the video, visit our website www.smirh.com.

SL ShareLife

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

Announcing the 2024 ShareLife Campaign

As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on **March 17**, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal of \$14 million, addressing the growing needs in our communities.

By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues
- help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten
- deliver food to children in developing countries
- form priests and deacons who will minister in our parishes

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



The Coins for Life boxes will be available this weekend at all the entrances to the Church.

Every coin makes a difference and helps Campaign Life Coalition (CLC) to run the annual National March for Life in Ottawa. By putting aside your loose change, you are helping support the many pro-life initiatives that spread awareness and give a voice to the unborn. Keep us in your prayers and join us if you can. We need more volunteers for this work of God. For more information call CLC, 416-204-9749.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION FEBRUARY 24 – 28, 2024

Conducted by: Rev. David Reilander, President, Catholic Missions in Canada



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NEW BEGINNINGS

Online Bereavement Introductory Program: February 14, 2024 @ 7:00 pm Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program: February 15, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

For more information please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, R.P. (Q) alimanni@cfstoronto.com (647) 215-3978

15TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE Saturday March 23, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch) Opening Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins

Speakers: Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare.

Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God. Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer. Special Guest Speaker: Tammie Peterson (wife of Dr.

Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group.

To register visit <u>www.dynamicwomenfaith.com</u> Early bird registration before **February 14**.

PILIGRIMAGE TO GREECE & TURKEY

With Father Ignacio Pinedo, Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Schomberg and St. Mary's Mission in Nobleton. **August 7-17**, **2024**. For more information contact 905-889-1681 or edgar@gateways-international.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at <a href="mailto:stranger:st

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, Joe Moncata, Immacolata Morlando, Lester, Mira, Princes, Qhueenie, Robert Harvey, Jennifer

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Cleta Lyn

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

FEB 12-18: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:

+Maria Frate

+Salvatore Frate

MASS INTENTIONS FEB 12 – FEB 18		
Mon. Feb 12	8:00 am	+Catherine Evans
Tues. Feb 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
Wed. Feb 14	8:00 am	+Vincenzo & +Franca Di Blasi
	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. for Tina Naqvi on her birthday
	7:00 pm	Private Intentions
Thurs. Feb 15	8:00 am	Spec. Int. for Brandon Balthazaar
Fri. Feb 16	8:00 am	+Thomas & +Therese Wong Hok Khiam
	7:00 pm	+Elizabeth & +Mario Butch Lacson
Sat. Feb 17	8:30 am	+Raffaella Caldarola
	5:00 pm	+Anna Maria Mastrovita
Sun. Feb 18	8:00 am	+Andy Marter
	9:30 am	+Carlo Evangelista +Antonia & +Umberto Talotta +Maria Giancola
	11:00 am	+Saverio & +Teresa Giusti +Elsie Lin +Lucia Simone +Vilma Marcuzzi +Vittoria Maria Salerno +Maria Grosso Spec. Int. for Marie Daquano on her birthday
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Victoria Mollicone

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