

## ST. MARY IMMACULATE PARISH EST. 1857

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## PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Pawel Zborowski Associate: Rev. Nicetus Tairo, P.O.C.R. Deacon: Rev. Mr. Joseph D'Amico Business Manager: Joanne Marchese Office Secretary: Lidya Valdovinos-Ascencio Office Help: Anita Harvey Choir Director: Kathy Mannion Music Co-Ordinator: Petra Kim

## PARISH MINISTRIES

President of Parish Council: Nancy Fattore Chair of Finance Committee: David Rivard RCIA: Flavia Silano & Adam Giancola **CWL:** Boots Montano **Knights of Columbus-Council #5957:** Steve Lozinski **Knights of Columbus-4th Degree** Assembly: Mike Marconi St. Vincent de Paul: Patrick Legris, President Mother's Group: Grace Pasquali Legion of Mary: Nadine Dagher Sunday School: Anna Della Rossa Children's Liturgy: Sonia Bovolini **Ushers:** Ross Caldarola Italian Ushers: Carmen Martucci Welcome Committee: Mary Anne Hackett Homebound: Mary Barry Nursing Homes: Peggy Paterson Volunteer Screening: Louise Wilson Rosary Apostolate: Laura Rizzi Italian Committee: Antonietta Miniaci Italian Pastoral Care Giver: Maria Rosa Costa ShareLife Committee: Pauline McLaughlin

## PARISH SCHOOLS

| St. Anne                  | 905-883-0311 |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| St. Mary Immaculate       | 905-884-5381 |
| Corpus Christi            | 905-770-8713 |
| St. Charles Garnier       | 905-884-0223 |
| Fr. Henri Nouwen          | 905-884-8086 |
| St. Theresa of Lisieux HS | 905-787-1407 |

## 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

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,

I hope you had a good week. Next weekend we have a second collection for the building fund. Let me take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support of our Parish. Thank you for your generosity and your love towards the Church. Because of you, we have accomplished many projects and will continue to do so. Our next major project will be the elevator and renovations to the Parish kitchen and hall.

THANK YOU!

May God continue to protect you and bless you. In Christ,

Fr. Pawel

# The Story and You



#### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Some of us may remember the medieval chant, the Dies Irae (Day of Wrath). It used to be sung at funerals, portending terrible judgment on the Last Day. Thankfully, today we hear texts that stir our hearts with hope in the resurrection.

Dies Irae was inspired by the first chapter of Zephaniah, verses 14-18: *Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LorD's wrath (vs. 18)*. But in today's reading of the SECOND chapter of Zephaniah we hear the good news. The Day of Wrath will be redeemed by the Day of Humility! The humble and lowly will become the Faithful Remnant of God.

Oh, how I want to be in that number. But how do we who have never been materially poor crowd in with, as Richard Rohr writes, the poor in spirit, whose "material poverty has broken their spirit"? My only answer is to hang out with people who serve those who are poor with abundant love.

Our parish is partnering with Lutheran Family Services to help resettle a large Afghan family. This has required a handful of talented, selfless people to put in hundreds of hours of hard work, navigating endless government forms, securing housing (humble as it is), finding schools with Dari speakers on site, navigating four car seats to drive the kids to doctor's appointments, and so much more.

They have so many stories of what they are learning from this family. Christ, who will always side with the poor, begs us to place ourselves in proximity to "the weak of the world," so that we too may learn from them. Theirs is the kingdom.

Have you ever been inspired by someone who is "humble and lowly"? Kathy McGovern ©2023 <u>www.thestoryandyou.com</u>.

#### THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

| Tues. Jan 31 | Memorial                       | St. John Bosco, Priest  |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Thurs. Feb 2 | Feast                          | The Presentation of the Lord<br>World Day for Consecrated<br>Life |
| Fri. Feb 3   | Memorial                       | St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr<br>St. Ansgar, Bishop                  |
|              | First Friday of the month      | We honour the Sacred Heart of Jesus                               |
| Sat. Feb 4   | First Saturday<br>of the month | We honour the Immaculate<br>Heart of Mary                         |

#### READINGS THIS WEEK

- 29 Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13: 1 Corinthians 1.26-31: Matthew 5.1-12
- 30 Hebrews 11.32-40: Mark 5.1-20
- 31 Hebrews 12.1-4 Gospel: Mark 5.21-43
- 1 Hebrews 12.4-7, 11-15: Mark 6.1-6
- 2 Malachi 3.1-4 or Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18++: Luke 2.22-40
- 3 Hebrews 13.1-8: Mark 6.14-29
- 4 Hebrews 13.15-17, 20-21: Mark 6.30-34

#### FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD -FEBRUARY 2

**Thursday, February 2**, we will be celebrating the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Blessing of candles will take place at the 8:00 am morning Mass.

#### **MEMORIAL OF SAINT BLAISE - FEBRUARY 3**

Blessing of the throats will take place **Friday**, **February 3** at the 8:00 am and 7:00 pm Masses.

#### **BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**

There will be a second collection next weekend, **February 4/5** for the parish maintenance and building fund. Thank you for your kindness and generous support in the preservation of the Church.

#### 2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

are available for pick up at the back of the Church. Parishioners who have not yet picked up their box are asked to do so as soon as possible. Envelopes that are not picked up will be reassigned to other parishioners. We ask that you do not use envelopes from previous years. **Ensure to print clearly your name, address and amount on** <u>every</u> **envelope to ensure your donations are properly credited to you.** Thank you for continued generosity and support.

#### 2022 TAX RECEIPTS

2022 tax receipts are now available. Please contact the Parish office to arrange pick up or to have them mailed to you.

#### VALENTINE'S DINNER DANCE SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11

Join us for a great meal, good fellowship and fun together with our parish family. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Tickets go on sale in the Church foyer after all Masses this weekend and in the Parish office during the week. Adults \$60, children \$25 and a table of 10 can be reserved in advance.

#### VOLUNTEER SCREENING—REMINDER NOTICES

Reminder Notices have been sent out to a number of Parish Volunteers over the past few weeks. Volunteer Screening is done in every Parish across the Archdiocese and is part of the process to protect our Parish community and our Volunteers.

If you have received an email requesting an update to your Screening, please complete the steps today!

Any questions can be directed to our Screening Committee at stmaryimmaculaterivs@archtoronto.org.

Come Join Us for Our Next Exciting Bible Study on Jesus - The Way, The Truth, And The Life. Don't Miss This Wonderful And Important Study About Our Savior. January 31, 2023 to March 28, 2023 2 sessions being offered! Tuesday mornings 9:15 am - 11:15 am Tuesday evenings 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Contact the Parish office to register.

### ARE YOU INDIGENOUS AND CATHOLIC?

Did you know that St. Ann's Parish in Toronto is home to the Archdiocese of Toronto's Native Peoples' Mission? We offer an enculturated weekly Sunday Mass at 12:30 p.m. that honours traditional spirituality. All are welcome. 120 First Ave., Toronto. More information at https://nativepeoplesmission.archtoronto.org/. Miigwech.

#### LEGACY GIFTS TO ANY PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

If you have included your parish or favourite archdiocesan charity in your Will or estate plan, please let us know. Through the Legacy Society of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we would like to say a special thank you.

All Legacy Society members are invited to the Annual Legacy Society Lunch & Mass by the Archdiocese of Toronto. They also receive:

- A hand-crafted cross blessed by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins.
- A personal letter from Cardinal Collins and a certificate acknowledging your intention.
- Invitations to Legacy Society functions and other special events.

Let your legacy be a testament of your faith! All Legacy Society members have the option of remaining anonymous. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at development@archtoronto.org or 416 934 3400 ext. 519.

#### A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

The Archdiocese of Toronto's Celebration of Marriage Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on **Sunday, February 12** has reached full capacity and registration is now closed to attend the Mass in person.

All are welcome to connect to the Mass via Livestream at <u>https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/</u>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Our Parish is offering marriage preparation course. **Spring session: February 15 - March 22, 2023 Fall session: October 11 - November 15, 2023** If you are planning to marry in the near future and would like to register, contact the Parish office.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Reynolds Kanary & +Anne Mastrovita 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.

JAN 30 – FEB 5: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR: +Assunta & +Domenico Mammone

#### 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 <u>stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org</u>.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Clyke, Clara Pacitti, Monica Cozzolino, Robert Harvey, Phing Yoek, Vera, Maria D'Souza

| Mon. Jan 30  | 8:00 am  | +Joann Wojcicki               |
|--------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| Tues. Jan 31 | 8:00 am  | Spec. Int. for the healing of |
|              |          | Donna Hayes                   |
| Wed. Feb 1   | 8:00 am  | +Tommy McLarnon               |
| Thurs. Feb 2 | 8:00 am  | Private Intentions            |
| Fri. Feb 3   | 8:00 am  | In Thanksgiving for the souls |
|              |          | of +Jonathan, +Fremiot &      |
|              |          | +Joe Leilao                   |
|              | 7:00 pm  | +Ceferina Agulto              |
|              |          | +Maria & +Carmine Canale      |
| Sat. Feb 4   | 8:30am   | +Domenica Tuzi                |
|              |          | +Chacko & +Anna Thomas        |
|              |          | +Catherine Evans              |
|              |          | Spec. Int. for Thomas Family  |
|              | 5:00 pm  | +George & +Filomena Di        |
|              |          | Mauro                         |
| Sun. Feb 5   | 8:00 am  | +For All Souls of Purgatory   |
|              | 9:30 am  | +Gioacchino Adamo             |
|              |          | +Alberto Romano & Family      |
|              |          | +Angelo Toffi & Family        |
|              | 11:00 am | +Rosanna Marchese             |
|              |          | +Vincenzo, +Maria & +Tony     |
|              |          | Cosentino                     |
|              |          | +Caterina Durso               |
|              |          | +Luigi Falsetti               |
|              |          | +Virginia Gorizzan            |
|              | 10.00    | +Frank, +Maria & +Nick Meffe  |
|              | 12:30 pm | People of St. Mary Immaculate |
|              | 4:30 pm  | Spec. Int. for the Sharma     |
|              |          | Family                        |

## MASS INTENTIONS JAN 30 – FEB 5

