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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!**

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Beloved Brothers and Sisters!

Join us Tuesday, March 19 as we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph with Masses at 8:00 am, 12:10 pm in Italian and 7:00 pm in English.

This weekend is the first ShareLife Sunday collection. Thank you for your generosity and support of this important campaign. Your contributions are making a real difference in the lives of so many.

I would like to inform you that Fr. Raymond Earle who has been assisting us for the past few months is leaving Ontario and is going back to his home Diocese in Newfoundland. His last Mass here at SMI he will concelebrate on Easter Vigil. Fr. Ray, thank you for your help and for sharing the many gifts you have with us. Enjoy your retirement back home and you are always welcome to visit us.

Praying for you and your family.

Fr. Pawel

### THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Mon. Mar 18	Memorial	St. Cyril of Jerusalem
Tues. Mar 19	Solemnity	Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat. Mar 23	Memorial	St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

### READINGS THIS WEEK

17 Jeremiah 31.31-34++; Hebrews 5.7-9; John 12.20-33  
18 Daniel 13.1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-64++ (longer) or Daniel 13.2, 4-6, 8, 15-16, 19-23, 28, 41-46, 48-64++ (shorter); John 8.1-11  
19 2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2.41-51a  
20 Daniel 3.13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95++; John 8.31-42  
21 Genesis 17.3-9; John 8.51-59  
22 Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13++; John 10.31-42  
23 Ezekiel 37.21-28; John 11.45-57

### LENTEN FRIDAYS

- 8:00 am Mass
- 8:30 am – 9:30 am Adoration
- 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Italian)
- 5:30 pm SMI Lenten Soup Kitchen (open to all with donations going to the poor)
- 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross
- 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.

### FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, PATRON OF CANADA

Join us for the Solemnity of St. Joseph on Tuesday, March 19 with Masses at 8:00 am, 12:10 pm Italian and 7:00 pm in English.

### EASTER FLOWERS

Those interested in donating Easter lilies and hydrangeas for Easter are asked to drop them off by March 25. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

### LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

#### Friday, March 22

8:30 am – 9:30 am (4 priests)  
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm (4 priests)  
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm (6 priests)

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

#### Holy Thursday - March 28

No 8:00 am Mass - Church will open at 4:00 pm  
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual)  
Adoration until 11:00 pm

#### Good Friday - March 29

No 8:00 am Mass - Church will open at 7:00 am  
Divine Mercy Novena starts  
12:00 pm The Lord's Passion  
3:00 pm The Lord's Passion  
5:00 pm The Lord's Passion (Italian)  
8:00 pm Stations of the Cross

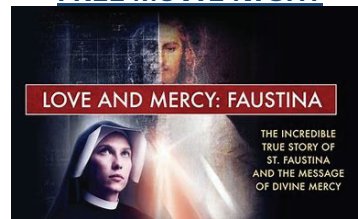
#### Holy Saturday - March 30

No 8:30 am Mass  
10:30 am Blessing of Easter Food ("Swienconka")  
8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

### Easter Sunday - March 31

8:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Mass (Italian)  
11:00 am Mass  
12:30 pm Mass  
4:30 pm Mass

### FREE MOVIE NIGHT



Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 pm. Popcorn, snacks and drinks will be provided. Bring all your families and friends. Great movie!



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
March 17, 2024

### This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign.

Every day, young people in our community need a helping hand due to homelessness, trafficking, or violence. ShareLife agencies ensure the safety of youth fleeing violent homes and provide them a supportive place to stay. This is all made possible thanks to amazing people like you who

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choose to support ShareLife. We thank you for your kindness and generosity.  
Our parish goal this year is **\$173,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - SPRING FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their Spring Food Drive in support of the Richmond Hill Food Bank this weekend **March 16/17**. We will be collecting items in the foyer at all Masses. While all items are welcome, there is a particular need for canned tomatoes, cereal, canned pasta sauce, pasta, and small bags of rice. Your generosity and support are appreciated.



### REHEARSAL FOR HOLY WEEK

Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Sacristans and all those involved with Holy Week Liturgies are invited to attend rehearsal for Holy Thursday and Good Friday on **Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 pm** in the Church. Those involved with Easter Vigil Liturgies are invited for rehearsal on **Saturday, March 30 at 9:30 am** in the Church.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

**Online Drop-In Bereavement Support Session**  
**March 27, 2023 @ 7:00 pm**  
Register at: <https://nbbd0324.eventbrite.ca>

**Online Drop-In Separated/Divorced Support Session: March 28, 2023 @ 7:00 pm**  
Register at: <https://nbsdd0324.eventbrite.ca>

For more information please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni, MRE [alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com) or  
(647) 215-3978



**PLEASE RETURN CONTAINERS BY  
MARCH 31, 2024**



### CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

You are invited to join the **33 Days to Morning Glory** program in preparation for Marian Consecration on Monday, May 13, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Even if you have previously participated in the program, you are encouraged to revitalize your love to Our Lady. The five week program takes place Monday nights beginning **Monday, April 8 from 7:00 pm-8:30 pm** in the Parish hall. Contact the parish office to register.

### GENTLY USED WHEELCHAIR

is being donated and available to someone in need. Good condition. For more information, please contact the parish office 905-884-1784 or [stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org)



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### FATIMA GIFT SHOP

Open every weekend half hour after every Mass and Wednesdays 12:00 – 1:00 pm.

### 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](http://www.smirh.com).

### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Massimo Luposella, Anthony Hagop Abrahamian, Klifford Drei Dalit, Ila Shawna Pritchard & Albert Blue Balbuena Bulalacao  
We welcome you into the Church! We wish the Parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+ Tony Palmieri

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.

### 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 [stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org).

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, Lester Camat, Robert Harvey, Leonardo D'Urso, Viola Wicks

### 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.

### MAR 18 - 24: THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:

+Giuseppe & +Giuseppina Totino

### MASS INTENTIONS MAR 18 – MAR 24

<b>Mon. Mar 18</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for the wedding anniversary of Joseph & Marilou Rey
<b>Tues. Mar 19</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Lolita Chan
	<b>12:10 pm</b>	Private Intentions
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	+Aristodemo Fabbri
<b>Wed. Mar 20</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Kathleen Knight
<b>Thurs. Mar 21</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Brandon Balthazaar
<b>Fri. Mar 22</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Honorata Ryu
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Spec. Int. for the healing of Robert Harvey
<b>Sat. Mar 23</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Ferdinand Bombasi For Intentions placed in the Fatima Chapel Prayer box Spec. Int. for William & Sherine Mc Coulogh
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+Stephen B. Roman & +All Deceased members of the Roman Family
<b>Sun. Mar 24</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Giuseppe Totino
	<b>9:30 am</b>	+Egidio Baldassarra & Family +Francesco Naccarato +Aristodemo Fabbri +Carmelina & +Angelo Covatta +Vincenzo Morello
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Saverio & +Teresa Giusti +Lorenzo Gabriel Gibellini +Chris Dissanayake +Victoria Fojas +Angelina, +Antonio & +Sergio Durante +Joann McNamara +Maria & +Silvino Resendes +Mario & +Assunta Mazzotta +Maria & +Pietro Angiolella +Nicholas Crimi
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate +Antonio Brancato
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	+Ferminia DeLuca



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