

# *St. Mary Immaculate Parish*

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CWL meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month  
Legion of Mary: meets every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.  
St. Vincent De Paul: Louise Wilson 905-717-9827  
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Sunday School: Elizabeth Follows  
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Homebound: Mary Barry  
Nursing Home: Peggy Paterson  
Parish Volunteer Screening: Antoinette Stirling  
Italian Prayer Group: Adele Cremonese & Rosa Marsella  
Italian Pastoral Care Giver: Antonia Ciuffetta  
Italian Committee: Antonietta Miniaci

### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
9:30 am (Italian)  
11:00 am  
12:30 pm  
4:30 pm

Lauds: Monday to Friday: 7:30 am

### **Weekday Masses:**

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am  
Friday: 7:00 pm  
Saturday: 8:30 am  
Wednesday Italian Mass: 7:00 pm

### **Confession:**

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm  
15 minutes before each Sunday Mass.  
Weekdays: Appointment with the priest

### **Baptism:**

2nd & 4th Saturday at 10:00 am

### **Marriage:**

Contact the priest one year in advance

**Friday Exposition & Adoration:** 12:00 pm to 6:50 pm

**Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help:** 8:30 am Saturday Mass

**Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group:** Every Wednesday 5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Italian Prayer Group:** Every Wednesday at 8:00 pm

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## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

### St. Mary Immaculate Parish Revenue and Expenditures December 31 2011

	2011 \$	2010 \$
<b>Revenues</b>		
Offertory	643,832	672,081
Building Fund	133,596	94,677
Other Income	118,420	98,512
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>895,848</b>	<b>865,270</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Salaries & Benefits	383,397	397,839
Diocesan Assessments	137,912	140,325
Church Operating Expenses	278,880	230,021
Repairs and maintenance	54,098	44,141
Major renovations	34,648	24,215
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>888,935</b>	<b>836,541</b>
Special Diocesan Collections <b>Note 1</b>	159,135	223,799
Transfers to Chancery	(159,135)	(223,799)
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<b>Excess of Revenues over Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 6,913</b>	<b>\$ 28,729</b>

#### Note 1

	\$	\$
Special Diocesan Collections		
ShareLife	125,254	145,090
Shepherds' Trust	17,192	17,972
Mission Co-Op	5,343	7,989
Other Collections (Haiti \$41,364 in 2010)	11,346	52,748
	<b>\$ 159,135</b>	<b>\$ 223,799</b>

#### Statistical Information as at December 31, 2011

Number of registered Parishioners / Families	6,892
Number of registered Parishioners / Families with Offertory Envelopes	1,652
Average number of Offertory Envelopes used on weekends	755

#### Note of Appreciation

To all parishioners/families who financially support your church, my sincere appreciation and thanks to you, we are able to meet the regular needs of our parish community. I appeal to those who currently do not support the church, and can afford to do so, to please consider regular contributions. Thank you to all those who continue to contribute to our Building Fund. We have received some large donations from parishioners who wish to remain anonymous. I thank you all for your patience and support as we continue to undertake the necessary renovations and repairs.

Fr. Robert J. Reddy, Pastor

#### **LENTEN MISSION Sunday, Mar.4 – Wed., Mar. 7**

Fr. Roy will preach the Mission which begins on the weekend of March 3/4 (homily). Mission talks following the evening Mass on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Confessions will be heard every evening. Everyone is invited to attend.

#### **FRIDAYS OF LENT: STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

6:30 p.m. – English; 7:45 p.m. – Italian

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2012** hosted by St. Mary Immaculate Church for participating Richmond Hill Christian Churches will take place on Thurs., Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 p.m. All Parishioners are invited to attend. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

**CWL** General Membership Meeting begins with 7:00 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Meeting at Church Hall. Need a ride? Please call 416-832-1608.

**COINS FOR LIFE** We encourage everyone to fill a 'Coins for Life' box with their loose change for Lent. These boxes are at the entrances of the church. Please take one home. Please remember to pray for the unborn, and for those who have been affected by abortion. For info, please visit [www.coinsforlife.org](http://www.coinsforlife.org)

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE TORONTO** is back!!! Women's Care Clinic, 960 Lawrence Ave. W, near Lawrence & Dufferin (across the street from the facility) from 8am – 8pm. We hope and pray that you are able to participate in this urgent & important life-saving campaign.



**NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH (March 10-19)**

St. Joseph, I, your unworthy child, greet you. You are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. You know that I have special confidence in you and that, after Jesus and Mary, I place all my hope of salvation in you, for you are especially powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants. Therefore I humbly invoke you and commend myself, with all who are dear to me and all that belong to me, to your intercession. I beg of you, by your love for Jesus and Mary, not to abandon me during life and to assist me at the hour of my death.

Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Loving Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, I raise my heart to you to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special grace I now implore: *(Mention your request)*. Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel confident that your prayers in my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God. **Amen.**

*St. Joseph is the Patron of the Universal Church and the Patron Saint of Canada. We encourage all parishioners to make the Novena of prayer to obtain the blessings and protection of God upon the Church, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict and upon our country.*

**SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m. Mass in English, 12 noon in Italian

7:00 p.m. Solemn Mass & Blessing of St. Joseph's Table

The Sanctuary Lamps burn for:  
Intentions of Antonia Ciufetta & Family

**NEW BEGINNINGS Widow / Widowers Support Group**

will meet at St. Louis de France Church, starting Friday, March 16 April 27 at 7:30. Facilitator: Mary Muir. Please call Dcn James Shaughnessy at 416-921-1163 ext. 2227.

**2<sup>a</sup> di Quaresima - 4 marzo 2012**

Per mostrare [quale sarà] la trasformazione dei mortali \* assunti nella tua gloria, o Salvatore, \* al momento del tuo secondo e tremendo avvento, \* sul monte Tabor ti sei trasfigurato. \* Elia e Mosè parlavano con te; \* tu chiamasti tre dei tuoi discepoli, \* ed essi vedendo, o Sovrano, la tua gloria, \* per il tuo fulgore restarono sbigottiti. \* O tu che un tempo su costoro \* hai fatto brillare la tua luce, \* illumina le anime nostre (*Liturgia Bizantina*).

*Ascoltate*lo, lui che i misteri della Legge hanno annunciato, che la voce dei profeti ha cantato. *Ascoltate*lo, lui che ha riscattato il mondo con il suo sangue, che ha incatenato il diavolo e gli ha rapito le spoglie (cfr Mt 12,29), che ha lacerato il documento scritto del debito (cfr Col 2,14) e il patto della prevaricazione. *Ascoltate*lo, lui che apre la via del cielo e, con il supplizio della croce, vi prepara la scalinata per salire al Regno. Perché avete paura di essere riscattati? Perché temete di essere sciolti dalle vostre catene? Buttate via il timore carnale e armatevi della costanza che la fede ispira; è indegno di voi, infatti, temere, nella Passione del Salvatore, ciò che, per il suo aiuto, non temerete nella vostra morte. Si tratti allora di praticare i comandamenti o si tratti di sopportare le avversità della vita, la voce del Padre che si è fatta udire deve sempre risuonare alle nostre orecchie: *Questi è il mio Figlio diletto, nel quale mi sono compiaciuto: ascoltate*lo (*Leone Magno Sermone 38*).

La trasfigurazione, e non la sfigurazione, è il punto di arrivo dell'uomo e dell'universo. Il nostro volto non è quello disfatto dallo sfacelo della morte, ma quello trasfigurato della risurrezione (Lino Pedron).

**AVVISI**

1. Durante la Quaresima, ogni venerdì sera, alle 7.45pm, celebreremo la Via Crucis in italiano.
2. Le ricevute fiscali per le vostre offerte sono disponibili presso l'entrata della chiesa. Vi si ringrazia per la vostra generosità.

**La Familia Galanti, Pr. siro e le suore del Sacro Cuore del Verbo Incarnato** rivolgono a tutti un cordiale invito di partecipare alla santa Messa per padre Luigi nel trigesimo del suo ritorno alla casa del Padre. lunedì 5 marzo 2012 nella Chiesa di S. Agostino alle 7.30 p.m. telefono: 905-851-2422.

**MASS INTENTIONS****Mar. 4 - 10**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	+Angelina Curtis +Antonio Curtis +Michele Ventrella +Cosimo & Philomena Pacitto +Antonio & Orazia Pacitto +Angelo & Madalena Pacitto +Riccardo Bisol +Rosa Canale Parola Iafano +Nicola Margherita & Bruna Ziricino +Maria Sangoi
<b>MON.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	+Shirley Harvey
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>TUE.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>WED.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	Special Intention of Paul Tam
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	In honour of St. Joseph +Sigismondo Posa le anime del purgatorio
<b>THURS.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	+Maria & Paolo Ditta
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	+Tony Di Rocco
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	In reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus +Michele De Buono +Camillo Di Cesare Members of the Naughton Fam.
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	In reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Spec.Int. of Chang Soon Kang In Thanksgiving (Mediatrice Acosta)

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK**

Ursula Addesi, Doris Anderson, Eugene Bomba, Winifred Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, David Canivet, Enrico Carusi, Esmey, Manuela Clement, Alan & Carol Cook, Joe Crevier, James Davidson, Caterina De Grano, Thomas De Souza, Harry Dekharmenjan, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Roberto Garcias, Jessica Gonzales, Godfrey Gosein, Anna Jedlicsek, Carmela Harrison, Gertiudes Henriques, Andy Heutehaus, Theresa Hogan, Elena Iacobelli, Terry Jennings, Margaret Kelly, Baby Liliana Laface, Derek Lai, Olivera Lambeta, Macaria Margate, Peter & Chris Markle, Veronica Martin, Margaret McConnell, Paul Melotte, Rachele (Joy Ann) Mendoza, Anthony Morse, Susan, Shirley Murphy, Michelle Antoinette Nedvedskaya, Myola Nunes, Giuseppina Pellegrini, Domenico Pileggi, Esmey, Giuseppe Racco, Todd Santaguida, Werner & Lucienne Schachatsiek, Joan Scott, Vincenzo Sorbara, Linda Vincent, Therese Vincent, Nora Waldherr, Abigail Walz, Sandra Weinholdt, Kathleen Whelan, Ted Zygmunt, Helen & Catherine.

**TWO HEARTS ROSARY PRAYER GROUP** invites everyone to pray the 4 mysteries of the Rosary on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Church.

**HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD** will meet every Sunday from 1:30 – 5 p.m. in the Conference Room from March 11 until May 13. All women are invited to attend.

**“REJOICING IN THE WORKS OF THE LORD: BEAUTY IN THE FRANCISCAN TRADITION” Lenten Retreat by Fr. Pierre Farruggia** on Sat., March 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more info or to register, please call 519-941-1747 or email [stfranciscentre@rogers.com](mailto:stfranciscentre@rogers.com)

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