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St. Anne	905-883-0311
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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!**

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Beloved Brothers and Sisters!

Today we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter and we also celebrate Mother's Day. We are thankful for the special gift of Mothers. May God guide them and protect them. I would like to wish all the Mothers of our Parish a Happy & Blessed Mother's Day!

For Mothers who are no longer with us, may the Lord give them eternal life.

I would like to thank you for the cards, gifts and love received from you on my birthday.

Have a great week!

Fr. Pawel

that fewer and fewer Christians can explain what they believe, and why they believe it.

Are you ready to give an explanation for the reason for your hope, or are you, like me, timid and insecure around those who have actively rejected the faith? As we get closer to Pentecost, these two weeks might provide a fruitful time of reflection.

What is the reason for your hope?

I'll start. The reason for my hope is that I see, clearly, that God has been faithful in my past, and is faithful in the present. This lifelong awareness of the nearness of God, and the providential goodness of God in my life, stirs a solid hope in me that God will be faithful in the future as well.

Psalm 71:5 has been, I realize now, the signature scripture of my life: *For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.* I think about this often, the many ways my Catholic childhood, nurtured in the Catholic schools, rewarded with glow-in-the-dark medals, submerged in beautiful music and beautiful liturgy, forged a DNA of hope and trust from my youth.

This Thursday our Pentecost novena begins. For nine days before our great FEAST, let's do a full-court press of prayer. Let's ask God to stir in us the reasons for our hope. And may that hope renew the face of the earth.

*Are you ready to give a reason for your hope?*

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## MAY IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY!



### PRAY THE ROSARY

Please join us in praying the Rosary after the daily morning Mass. **All are welcome!**



## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all Mothers of our Parish

### CWL ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE

will take place **this weekend** in the Church foyer following all Masses. Assorted sizes and colors of begonias, geraniums and hanging baskets will be available. Thank you for your support.

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Sacred Conversations

### **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.*

That line from the second reading today (1 Peter 3: 15) has been trending powerfully the last several years. I think it's an exhortation from evangelists who are witnessing the sad reality

### THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Thurs. May 18	Memorial	St. John I, Pope, Martyr
Sat. May 20	Memorial	St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

### READINGS THIS WEEK

14 Acts 8.5-8, 14-17: 1 Peter 3.15-18: John 14.15-21  
15 Acts 16.11-15: John 15.26 – 16.4a  
16 Acts 16.22-34: John 16.5-11  
17 Acts 17.15, 22 – 18.1: John 16.12-15  
18 Acts 18.1-8: John 16.16-20  
19 Acts 18.9-18: John 16.20-23a  
20 Acts 18.23-28: John 16.23b-28

### POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS

The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity. There will be a second collection **this weekend**. Thank you for your generosity.

**ShareLife**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**May 14, 2023**

**Share your love on Mother's Day**

On Mother's Day, all moms deserve to be celebrated and supported. Did you know that our parish's ShareLife campaign is helping young women with an unexpected pregnancy? One such mother is Nikki, who was able to continue her education and receive practice assistance

through a ShareLife-funded agency called Rose of Sharon.

"If it wasn't for you and for ShareLife, I don't know where we would be today," says Nikki. "We will always and forever be grateful for your support!"

Thus far we have raised **\$89,257.80 (51%)** toward our goal of **\$175,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



**The Coins for Life boxes are available at all the entrances to the Church.**

**Boxes to be returned by June 11.**

Every coin makes a difference and helps 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 or 1-800-730-5358.

#### PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

will be held this **Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Contact the Parish office to register for the event.



**Sunday, June 25, 2023**  
**1:30 pm – 3:30 pm**  
**SMI's Annual Parish Picnic & BBQ**  
**In the Church parking lot**

#### SMI PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

Join Fr. Nicetus, our Associate, as spiritual leader on this 9 days pilgrimage, **February 22 – March 1, 2024**. For more details, please contact the Parish office or Halina at International Heritage Tours, 416-444-6666, 1-877-999-8868 ext. 315 or at [halina@ihtours.com](mailto:halina@ihtours.com).

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Liam Thaddeus Kats, Victoria May Lorenzen,  
 Gemma Luca, Kiana Aria Peticca, Aurelia Loretta Scocco  
 & Ottavia Antonella Scocco  
 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!

#### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Melissa Mazza & Alexander Lappano  
 Nicole Danielle Di Monte & Joseph Victor Young  
 We wish them an abundance of God's graces and the loving  
 care of our Mother Mary!

#### 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.

#### **MAY 15 - 21: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:**

+Teofilo Laderas Jr.  
 &  
 +Eletta & +Domenico D'Angela

#### 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, Catarina Clyke, Clara Pacitti, Monica Cozzolino, Robert Harvey, Joseph Rybka, Janet Farrar, Beth Constable

MASS INTENTIONS MAY 15 – MAY 21		
<b>Mon. May 15</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for safe travels of Maria DalCin's group to Medjugorje today
<b>Tues. May 16</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Frank Palazzo
<b>Wed. May 17</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Raffaella Caldarola
<b>Thurs. May 18</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Karl, +Rosa & +All Deceased members of Saul Family
<b>Fri. May 19</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Wai Chow
<b>Sat. May 20</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Angelo Alberico +Martin Bragado +Ted McHugh +Teresa Fera +Antonietta Thanksgiving of Irene Bragado & Family Spec. Int. for Fr. Pawel
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+Gabrielle Magnotta
<b>Sun. May 21</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Vincenzo Di Pede
	<b>9:30 am</b>	+Maria & +Giuseppe Giancola +Francesco Boragina +Emilio & +Antonietta Celotti +Giacomo, +Santina & +Bruno Volpatti +Mario Rampino
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Anna Maria Mastrovita +Joe Perusko +Chris Dissanayake +Kees Vangemerden +Vianney Dumas +Eilen Da Silva
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	Spec. Int. for Peter Zajner





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