

# ST. MARY IMMACULATE PARISH EST. 1857

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# PARISH STAFF

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# 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 reques	st

# 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!



## PRAY THE ROSARY

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





# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

It's so embarrassing to look back on the behavior of the dominant culture in every age. We know, because we are living it right now, that the day will surely come when children will say to their parents, "You could have saved us from environmental disaster and you did WHAT?"

Looking back at the things we took for granted is so shocking now. We watch TITANIC and say,

"WHAT? People lived and people died on that ship depending on how much MONEY they had?" The answer is YES. Financial status seemed the only proper way to decide who had access to the lifeboats.

Every day, it seems, another appalling injustice from generations ago is brought to light. As author Bonnie Garmus wrote, "some things needed to stay in the past because the past was the only place they made sense."

I think of all this as I read that ultra embarrassing sentence from Acts today: *the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.* 

This is in the earliest days of the Church, when miracles abounded, and huge numbers were added to the Church every day! The eyewitnesses to the Risen Lord were walking and talking in Galilee and Jerusalem, giving witness to the greatest event in all history.

And yet. When the food was distributed to the community of believers, it was understood that the widows of the Greek-speaking Jews would be neglected. They didn't speak Hebrew, they lived in the Diaspora (outside of Jerusalem), and they didn't have any husbands to speak for them. They were invisible.

O God, save us from the blindness upon which later generations will judge us.

What behaviors of yours in the past do you particularly regret today?

# THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Mon. May 8	Memorial	Blessed Catherine of St. Augustine, Virgin
Wed. May 10	Memorial	Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor
Fri. May 12	Memorial	St. Nereus and St. Achilleus, Martyrs St. Pancras, Martyr
Sat. May 13	Memorial	Our Lady of Fatima

# **READINGS THIS WEEK**

7 Acts 6.1-7: 1 Peter 2.4-9: John 14.1-12 8 Acts 14.5-18: John 14.21-26 9 Acts 14.19-28: John 14.27-31a 10 Acts 15.1-6: John 15.1-8 11 Acts 15.7-21: John 15.9-11 12 Acts 15.22-31: John 15.12-17 13 Acts 16.1-10: John 15.18-21

# SL ShareLife

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023 Living the Gospel through ShareLife Thus far our parish has raised **\$87,567.80 (50%)**

toward our goal of **\$175,000.** "Your sacrificial gift will truly make a difference in the life of someone turning to a Sharel ife agency in their

of someone turning to a ShareLife agency in their moment of need." – Cardinal Thomas Collins The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is **June 4.** We ask you to share your blessings and give generously through the parish or at sharelife.org. Thank you for living the Gospel!

#### 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 **next weekend, May 13-14.** Thank you for your generosity

#### NATIONAL FAMILY AND LIFE WEEK: MAY 7–14

Across Canada, the Catholic faithful are invited to celebrate a special week to honour and support families. The official theme of the National Family and Life Week is from the Gospel of John, the words of Jesus who says, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another" (Jn 13:34). We find love at the heart of family relationships, a communion of love in Christ. To love one another is to be "guardians of life" within our families and in wider society when we show kindness toward and care for the vulnerable and marginalized.



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.

### MARCH FOR LIFE

The annual National March for Life event will be held in Ottawa again this year with the march taking place **this Thursday, May 11, 2023.** 

St. Mary Immaculate will be sharing a bus and we have some seats still available. Please contact the parish office to register your spot on the bus. More than 25,000 concerned citizens young and old will march in the streets of Ottawa asking for justice and human rights for unborn children. Please pray and light a candle for this special intention and to show your support of the March. Please visit https://marchforlife.ca or call Campaign Life Coalition at 1-800-730-5358.

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA & CONSECRATION MASS

Join us on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima, **Saturday, May 13 at 8:30 am** for Mass with Marian Consecration. Pancake breakfast to follow in the parish hall hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

#### **CROWNING OF MOTHER MARY**

On Mother's Day, **Sunday May 14**, we invite you and all children to the **11:00 am Mass** for the crowning of the statue of Mother Mary. A special way to honor and seek the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

# CWL ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE

will take place **May 13/14** 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.



# PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

will be held **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 PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Maria Di Zio & +Gino Tosello 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.

MAY 8 - 14: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR: +Maria Elena Ascencio

+ Iolanda Miceli

#### 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, Joseph Rybka

MASS INTENTIONS MAY 8 – MAY 14		
Mon. May 8	8:00 am	+Stanislawa Olszewska
Tues. May 9	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
Wed. May 10	8:00 am	+Patricia Beresford
Thurs. May 11	8:00 am	Spec. Int. for Deacon Joseph
		D'Amico
Fri. May 12	8:00 am	+Felicisima Vispo
		+Alfonso Banta Sr.
Sat. May 13	8:30 am	+Vincenzo & +Concetta Buffone
		+Joan Emmerson
		+Victor Soosaipillai
		+Leonardo Ciavarella
	5:00 pm	Spec. Int. for Mary Lo +Najebeh Zakhem & Richard
	5.00 pm	Isa
Sun. May 14	8:00 am	+Maria & +George Facchini
	9:30 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
		+Filomena Santopolo
		+Manuel Felipe & Alda Freitas
		+Maria Cappuccitti
		+Pasqualina & +Domenico
		D'Agostini
		+Rocco Luciani Diciano
	11:00 am	+Assunta & +Mario Mazzotta
		+Maria & +Pietro Angiolella
		+Olga Canonaco
		+Norma Brusadin
		+Filomena Galle
		+Yvonne Brennan
		+George & +Ragi Fernandopulle
		+Anthony D'Lima
		+Victoria D'Lima Gray
		+Andrea D'Lima O'Donnell
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary
	•	Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Vittoria Giampietro

