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OFFERINGS	
Offertory	\$ 5,223.60
Building Fund	\$ 4,801.56
Liturgical Fund	\$ 318.70
Stipend	\$ 260
Stools	\$ 300
Tabernacle	\$ 100.00
Candle Stand	\$ 263.55
CBW III	\$ 470
Sanctuary Light	\$ 120
Family of Faith	\$ 100
From the box	\$ 3.59
Total	\$11,961

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Half an hour before every Mass
throughout the Lenten Season

Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife

How do we "Live the Gospel" toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help "Live the Gospel" through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign. Next Sunday, March 18 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Our Sanctuary Light is offered by:

March 14 Sarmiento Family

March 18 Anonymous

March 22 Lan Family

March 26 Jacintha Fernandez

If you wish to light a 5-day candle on our sanctuary lamp, the donation is \$20

How well do you know the different parts of our church?

The part of the church where we pray is called the nave. The "nave" comes from the Latin word "navis," meaning ship, for we are like passengers on a ship bound for heaven. The nave is not a meeting place but a place of worship; the congregation is not an audience, but active participants in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The pews in the nave were donated by parishioners and friends of the parish for the whole community to sit on. In the old days, many churches did not have pews. The faithful stood or knelt during the Mass. Not only did they stand, but they were separated by gender. Men were normally on the right facing the altar and women were on the left. Still today there are Catholic churches without pews.

The sanctuary is the area in front of the church where the altar, the ambo, the presider's chair, the lectern, and the tabernacle are located. Our sanctuary is elevated above the nave floor by three steps to enhance the view of the congregation and to exemplify the special, sacred nature of the space. It is, after all, our Holy of Holies. "They shall make a sanctuary for me, that I may dwell in their midst" (Exodus 25:8).

Our Holy Week Schedule

March 24 **Saturday Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday** 5 PM

March 25 **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:45 AM, and 12:30 PM

(The 10:45 AM will be presided by our Bishop
the Most Reverend John Boissonneau, D.D)

March 26 **Monday of Holy Week** 7 PM

March 27 **Tuesday of Holy Week** 7:30 AM

March 28 **Wednesday of Holy Week** 7 PM

March 29 **Holy Thursday**

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of the Feet
7 PM

March 30 **Good Friday**

12 PM and 3 PM

7 PM Station of the Cross

March 31 **Holy Saturday**

8 AM Morning Prayer

7 PM Easter Vigil

April 1 **Easter Sunday**

7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM

Easter Egg Hunting after the 7:30 AM Mass

Pastor's Desk

We are used to seeing the world as full of corruption, misery, and injustice leaving us disgusted. But, when God looks at the world He looks at it with great love. St. John tells us that God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world but to save it. Jesus tells Nicodemus: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life." (Jn. 3:16) God wants only to love, to forgive, and to save. He is like a parent who gives freely and we are all recipients.

Wish List for the Church

These items can be sponsored by one individual or group of individuals. Donation can be given in full or by installment.

- We would like to see two marble statues of angels carrying a Holy Water font to grace our church. The marble statues are handcrafted pieces of art. Each marble statue costs \$3500.
- The Catholic Book of Worship that you have in the pews are not fully paid. About 200 books have been spoken for. If you wish to sponsor a copy or several copies, the cost is \$22 per copy.
- We got a good deal for the chairs that we need for the Parish Hall, Each chair costs \$45. About 60 chairs have been donated.

March 19

7 PM

Solemn Mass

Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Patron Saint of Canada

We will welcome to our new church the statue of St. Joseph

Senior Men's High School Retreat (Grades 11 & 12)

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat for men in grades 11 & 12 on Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary. The retreat provides time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. Register online at: www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

Calling All Girls

7:00 pm

John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre
4300 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga

An evening of high-powered talks. Meet new people. Learn the truth. Talk about it. Discover who you are. Avoid mistakes. Improve your relationship. Speakers and topics include: Mark Mallett: Becoming Signs of Contradictions; Sr. Helena Burns, FSP: What kind of Digital Catholic R U?; Tara Barco: Choices! Choices! What do I do?; Dr. Jessica Chan Tai: Worries? Anxious? Stressed? There is Hope! To register, please visit <http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>. Register early to avoid disappointment. CONTACT: 416-907-1042 COST: Early Bird - \$22 (before Feb. 22); Regular Registration -\$27

MASS INTENTION**Saturday (March 10)**

5 PM +Bernard D'Mello

Sunday (March 11)

7:30 AM For the Parish Community

9:00 AM Open

11:00 AM +Filomena Rivera, +Caroline Pereira, +Angeline D'Souza

12:30 PM +Anna Gonsalves, +Josie Doronila, +Serapio Manalo, +Ranjan Victoria, +Antonio Furtado, +Serapion Jumapit

Monday (March 12)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Caridad Sarmiento & Esperanza Carandang

Tuesday (March 13)

7:30 AM +Jaime and Jose Maria

Wednesday (March 14)

7:00 PM Thanksgiving of Traci Ann, Veda, & Sanjay

Thursday (March 15)

7:30 PM Open

Friday (March 16)

7:00 PM Open

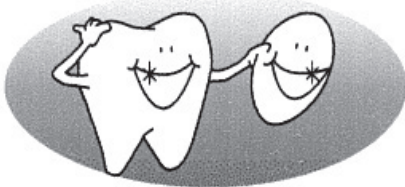
Saturday (March 17)

9:00 AM For our Parish Benefactors and their families

5:00 PM Thanksgiving of Milagros Umali, Special Intention of Patrick D'Costa

To offer a Mass intention, please see the desk when you come to church or call the parish office. You can also use the form on our parish website.

We need volunteers as Altar servers, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Choir members for the 7:30 AM Sunday Mass. If you are interested, please see Fr. Mark. Thank you.



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