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## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers  
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers  
Catrina Bova

Lectors:  
Genia Vanderkruk  
10:00AM Choir  
Susan McElcheran  
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM  
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

## CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday, Friday  
9:00am to 3:00pm  
Wednesdays - Closed

## CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
or by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the  
Religious Education office. Couples  
expecting a child are encouraged to  
contact the office before the child is  
born. Please contact Ext 1003, for  
more information.

## MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob or Fr. Alex at least one  
year prior to the planned wedding date.

## Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit  
Call the office Ext 1007

## ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League  
4th Monday of the Month

Children's Liturgy  
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry  
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace  
[www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org)  
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers  
3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus  
1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council  
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society  
2nd Saturday of the Month 1:00 PM



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, March 24

5:30pm Int. of Parish Community

### Tuesday, March 25

5:30pm Bernard Mulhall †

### Wednesday, March 26

5:30pm Eueiquia Suosn Dias †

### Thursday, March 27

5:30pm Special Intention

### Friday, March 28

5:30pm That the Friars may Stay

### Saturday, March 29

5:30pm Bebs Tuazon †

### Sunday, March 30

10am The Parish Community

12pm Sabrina Arayaa-Gaete †

### SANCTUARY LAMP

(March 23 - 30)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp  
burns for the intentions of  
Adelina Banez.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The Sick:** Pope Francis,  
Nilton Alves Gomes, Ken Francis,  
Martin Rodrigues, Cecilia Salazar,  
Maryann Chard, Mark Szuba  
Virginia Kiflit, Mary Kelly

### **The Deceased:**

Nancy Ocampo  
Al Jacob  
Mario Lo Bianco  
Gerry Williams  
Anna Bellini Kavals  
Blanca Cecilia Munoz Garcia  
Alicja Wrona

### **Birthdays in March:**

Fr. Bob and Fr. Alex  
... and all parishioners born in March

## Third Sunday of Lent



## *The Friar's Nook*

To our St. Joan of Arc Parish Family,

The Friars and Sisters of the Atonement recently concluded the celebration of our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. In past years, nearly 300 Friars ministered in parishes around the world. Sadly, times have changed. As you are undoubtedly aware, there is a critical shortage of priests in religious vocations today, and our own community now comprises fewer than 50 Friars. Consequently, we have had to withdraw from several ministries that were particularly significant to us.

The Friars' ministerial contract with the Archdiocese of Toronto to staff St. Joan of Arc Parish will expire on June 30, 2025. During our 27-year tenure in the Archdiocese, the Friars have joyfully served in parishes, ecumenical offices and food banks, seeking to spread our mission of *at-one-ment*. With profound regret, I recently informed His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Leo, that the Friars will be unable to renew our contract due to the shortage of Friar priests to staff our ministries at Graymoor and elsewhere.

I wish to thank you for your many years of support and for your gracious hospitality to the Friars who have been privileged to serve each one of you in your vibrant parish. You invited us into your homes and allowed us to share in your family's milestones. We pray that our ministry has been a Blessing to the Archdiocese of Toronto, your Christian neighbours and members of other Faiths, and especially to you, our dear friends.

May God continue to Bless all of you at St. Joan of Arc Parish for many years to come and extend the hospitality you gave the Friars to your new Shepherd in the coming months.

Peace and all good always,

Emil F. Tomaskovic, SA  
Minister General, Franciscan Friars of the Atonement



**TURN  
DEBT  
INTO  
Hope**



### Turn Debt into Hope # 2

In this **Jubilee Year**, Pope Francis calls on us to take part in the global **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign to "forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them." Knowing that 3.3 billion people live in countries that spend more on foreign debt repayment than on health or education, we must act! We will invite you to sign the global petition. A copy of the petition can be found on the Development and Peace bulletin board in the parish hall. Thank you for your care and concern towards this year's campaign.



#### **Continue sharing your Lenten Intentions with us!**

Don't forget to share your Lenten intentions, thoughts and prayers by writing them down on "intention slips" at the back of the Church. Everyone is welcome to place their filled in, tightly folded intentions in the baptismal font on the altar throughout the season of Lent. Enter them as often as you'd like! On Holy Saturday, these intentions will form the kindling for the Blessing of the Fire outside of the Church – a symbol of them rising to God.

#### **Stations of the Cross** (every Friday during Lent)

A reminder that during the season of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross following 5:30pm Eucharist. As we get closer to our celebration of Holy Week and Christ's passion, consider deepening your Lenten observance with this special devotion. All are Welcome.

#### **Presentation on Christian/Jewish Relations** (Mar. 29)

In 2025, we are joining with the whole Church, as Pilgrims of Hope, in celebrating the Second Vatican Council's historic teaching of **Nostra Aetate #4**: The Catholic Church's relationship with the Jewish people. Come and hear from *Mia Theocharis* (Key moments in Catholic-Jewish Relations) as well as *Murray Watson* (Significant Links between Passover and Easter). Happening from 9:30am – 12:00pm in the Hall. Light refreshments are included and is sponsored by the Sisters of Zion. We hope that you will participate.

#### **Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage** (Apr. 4)

Mark your calendars! Parishioners are invited to participate in a walking pilgrimage to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (3055 Bloor St. West). We will participate in the reciting of the Rosary at 8:25am, followed by Mass at 9:00am. Parishioners may travel to OLS Church on their own by whatever means they wish, or you may join us in gathering at St. Joan of Arc Parish at 7:45am. Together, we will take the subway to Royal York. Please join us.

#### **Chorale Presentation by St. Michael's Choir School** (Apr. 4)

We are pleased to welcome a number of students from Toronto's *St. Michael's Choir School* who will sing the Mass alongside our community. Special thanks to Gr. 12 student (and parishioner) Davide Bordegari for the gift of this evening. Please join us in prayer and song this night, as we welcome them to our parish. There is no charge.

#### **Master the Art of Pysanky: A Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop** (Apr. 12)

Learn the ancient art of Ukrainian Easter Egg decorating-- a sacred and meditative practice! Oksana Hawrylak and Cyndy O'Grady will guide you through all the steps of transforming a plain egg into a work of art. Join us on Apr. 12 from 10am – 1pm in the Parish Hall. \$30 per person. Registration can be done through the Parish Office.

#### **Your Gifts to God (\$)**

....for March 15/16	
<b>Expenses</b>	\$6300
Envelopes	\$1680
Loose	+ \$722
PAG (wk)	+ \$1353
Online	+ \$96
<b>Received</b>	= \$3851
Short	<b>- \$2449</b>

\*\* We require \$6300 a week in March (\$31,500 a month) to cover our basic expenses

**There are a number of offertory boxes that still need to be picked up from the hall.** Please pick them up or they will be reissued to another parishioner.

#### **WHAT'S NEW AT ST. JOAN OF ARC?**

Mar. 24 – CWL General Meeting 1:30pm)

Mar. 29 – Parish Presentation on Christian and Jewish Relations

Apr. 4 – Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage to OLS (7:45am)

Apr. 4 – St. Michael's Choir School Chorale during the 5:30pm Mass

Apr. 12 – Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop (10 – 1)

Apr. 15 – Parish Dramatization of the Stations of the Cross by BMTM Students (7pm)

May 3 – First Communion Rehearsal (2pm)

*For these events and more, visit our virtual calendar at [joanofarc.ca](http://joanofarc.ca).*



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