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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 3:50 pm – 4:50 pm

And by appointment through the Parish office.

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!

PALM SUNDAY OF LORD'S PASSION



PALM SUNDAY – MARCH 29

8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mass (Italian)
11:00 am Mass
12:30 pm Mass
4:30 pm Mass



Holy Week Services

Holy Thursday – April 2

No 8:00 am Mass - Church will open at 4:00 pm
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration until 11:00 pm

Good Friday – April 3

No 8:00 am Mass - Church will open at 7:00 am
Divine Mercy Novena starts privately
12:00 pm The Lord's Passion
3:00 pm The Lord's Passion
5:00 pm The Lord's Passion (Italian)
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – April 4

No 8:30 am Mass
No Confessions
10:30 am (sharp) Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
"Swienconka"
7:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 5

8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mass (Italian)
11:00 am Mass
12:30 pm Mass
4:30 pm Mass

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 12

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Devotion with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

NEEDS OF THE HOLY LAND SPECIAL COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026

The Good Friday collection "Needs of the Holy Land" is coordinated by the Commissariat of the Holy Land. These funds are used for the upkeep of the sanctuaries and to help with pastoral work, Catholic schools and social assistance in the Holy Land. For more information please visit: www.commissariat.ca. Thank you for your generosity.

REHEARSAL FOR EASTER VIGIL

RCIA and RCIC candidates that were previously notified, those involved with Easter Vigil Liturgies, Ushers, Altar

Servers and Sacristians are kindly asked to attend rehearsal on **Saturday, April 4 at 9:30 am in the Church.**

PARKING LOT TRAFFIC PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER

Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 5957 will provide traffic support in the parking lot for the 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Palm Sunday (March 29, 2026) and Easter Sunday (April 5, 2026). To help ensure the safe and efficient movement of vehicles, parishioners will be directed to **turn left only** when leaving the parking lot. This approach has proven to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion. We would like to ask you to please follow the directions provided by the Knights. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PARKING ON DUNLOP ST.

We kindly remind you to observe the parking signs on Dunlop St. to avoid getting ticketed. Parking is permitted from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Saturdays and 7:00 am – 7:00 pm on Sundays. The City will allow parking for statutory holidays ie, Good Friday. Holy Thursday is not considered a statutory holiday, therefore do not park on Dunlop St. Should you be ticketed on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday, please bring your ticket to the parish office for further direction.

EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you to those who donated Easter lilies and hydrangeas to decorate the Church for Easter. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.

2026 EASTER PLAY - THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who assisted with organizing our second annual Easter play, especially Kathy Carcasole, Maria Dalcin, Christopher Milner and all parents and children. The children did a fantastic job in such a short time. It was truly a wonderful and emotional experience. Well done everyone.

March 28/29
This weekend

BOOK BARROW

The Legion of Mary invites all parishioners to make use of the **BOOK BARROW**, encouraging ongoing faith formation, available **in the Church Foyer after all Masses on the last weekend of each month**. A variety of Catholic books for all ages are offered to help make spiritual nourishment easily available and to deepen our understanding of God, Scripture, and Church teachings. Titles include books on Prayer, the Saints, and Christian living. Borrow a book, exchange a book or donate a book, and grow in Faith at your own pace. All are welcome! Email the Legion of Mary for more information. Legionofmaryinfo@yahoo.com

COR MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the COR Men's Group is on **Saturday, April 11 at 7:00 a.m.** in the parish hall. All men of the parish are invited. For additional information please email COR.kofc5957@gmail.com.



Holy Week
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 29, 2026

With your support of ShareLife, despair turns into hope

When Eulogio learned his wife was pregnant—not just with one baby, but with twins—his joy multiplied. He dreamed of raising David and Emmanuel with the same love and care he had given his firstborn,

determined to provide them with a warm home and a future full of possibility.

But then, a devastating accident cost Eulogio his job, leaving his family without a reliable way to put food on the table or keep warm in the bitter cold. The weight of hunger and uncertainty grew heavier each day. Because of your kindness, ShareLife and Canadian Food for Children were able to step in, ensuring this family had food to sustain them. But there are more families in need. With your gift to ShareLife, you can enable more fathers like Eulogio to hold their children close and carry the strength to face tomorrow.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

BIBLE STUDY

Come Join Us for Our Next Exciting Bible Study!

The Gospel of Luke – 8 session study
Thursday mornings 9:15 am - 11:15 am
April 9 to May 28, 2026

Contact the Parish office to register.

You are encouraged to join. Each of our participants learn at their own pace and are provided supplementary notes by our bible study teacher along with a robust discussion and support throughout the study. You will be surprised how much you will learn, and it will be the best 2 hours you will spend for yourself learning about Our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, you need not worry, if you have never opened a bible and have absolutely no knowledge of scripture...you are among friends who are also learning right along with you. There is nothing to fear.

FATIMA GIFT SHOP

Visit the Fatima Gift shop. Beautiful religious items available for any occasion, especially for Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Weddings.

Hours

Saturday: 4:30 pm–6:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am–2:00 pm and 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

FATIMA GIFT SHOP WILL BE CLOSED EASTER WEEKEND

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Good Friday, April 3 and Easter Monday, April 6.



**PLEASE RETURN CONTAINERS
 BY APRIL 26, 2026**

ONLINE SEMINAR: CATHOLICISM 101 **APRIL 8, 2026 @ 7:00 PM**

This Online Seminar series provides a brief survey of the Catholic faith, while also providing some 'psychological tools' to enhance thinking, behaviour and social dynamics.

Register at: <https://cat101.eventbrite.ca>

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

For more information please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying)

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HELP NOT HARM: TAKE ACTION TO SUPPORT BILL C-218

You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition.

Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 PILGRIMAGE TO SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY) is excited to begin gathering interest for the **World Youth Day 2027 pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea.**

We invite **young adults ages 19–39** to let us know if they are interested in travelling with **OCY** for this incredible pilgrimage of faith, prayer, and communion with the universal Church.

The **WYD 2027 theme** is: **"Take courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).** Chosen by **Pope Francis**, this theme encourages young people to place their hope and confidence in Christ in a world often marked by anxiety, division, and rapid change.

World Youth Day is a powerful opportunity to encounter Christ, grow in faith, and join young Catholics from around the world in a joyful pilgrimage. As we begin preparing for **Seoul 2027**, OCY looks forward to hearing from young adults and parish communities who may wish to take part in this exciting journey.

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 email or call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

**MAR 30 – APR 5: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:
 +Najebeh Salim Zakhem & +Richard Isa**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Salvatore Maggiacomo

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.

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 email or call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, America Rodriguez, Lilia Rodriguez, Adriana Gomez, Ricardo Garzon, Javier Cardenas, Hernando Cruz, Peter McGuinness, Dante Fabiello, Sharon Moos, Margaret Gerritse, Romeo Marra, Ann Gibbens, Lester Camat, Frank Grabarczyk, Andreas Waldherr, Andrew Gomes, Vienna, Ellie, Chito, Atet, Jayce Kaiden, Bosco Mendonca, Peter Fernandes, Fran Markle

MASS INTENTIONS MAR 30 – APR 5

Mon. Mar 30	8:00 am	+Armando De Lapa +All Souls in Purgatory
Tues. Mar 31	8:00 am	+Mary Joseph Special Intention
Wed. Apr 1	8:00 am	+Agnes Ho +Wanda Kusch
Thurs. Apr 2		HOLY THURSDAY
Fri. Apr 3		GOOD FRIDAY
Sat. Apr 4		EASTER VIGIL
Sun. Apr 5	8:00 am	EASTER SUNDAY
	9:30 am	EASTER SUNDAY
	11:00 am	EASTER SUNDAY
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	EASTER SUNDAY

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