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New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are usually held on two Sundays every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.
Closed Daily: 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MASS

Sunday Eucharist
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour

Fridays (excluding holidays) 6:00 PM - 6:50 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass
Wednesday at 6:40

PARISH LIFE

Charismatic Prayer Goup 905-822-8132
Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132
Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457
RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 3
St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5
Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183
St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115
Christ the King 905-569-0220

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 24, 2022

“Unless I see - I will not believe”



Do you know the joy of the resurrection? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them he offered proofs of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God.

Jesus did something which only love and trust can do. He commissioned his weak and timid apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This sending out of the disciples is parallel to the sending out of Jesus by his heavenly Father. Jesus fulfilled his mission through his perfect love and obedience to the will of his Father. He called his first disciples and he now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as he gave his first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so he breathes on each of us the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power, joy, and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord.

The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Passover time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. When Jesus proposed that they visit Lazarus after receiving news of his illness, Thomas said to the disciples: "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (John 11:16). While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of trial and adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and he doubted his own fellow apostles.

When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring you new life, hope, and joy?

"Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection."



SUNDAY MASS ON YOUTUBE

Mass is being live streamed on our Parish YouTube Channel on Sunday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m. and every Wednesday at 7pm (preceded by the Rosary at 6:40pm).

The link to our parish YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCokoBfidkSQAZ_Buk3g-bhw?

THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS



The Rosary Apostolate is seeking people who have a great love for the Rosary and who are willing to visit our schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month for a total of only 8 days a year. If you are interested please contact Betty at **647-239-0987**.

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

MONDAY, APRIL 25 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Sylvia Bottrell and Family
S.I. Gail Ewasyn

+ Matteo and Rocco Lombardi

TUESDAY, APRIL 26 – 8:30 A.M.

S.I. Monica Stanley
S.I. Julie and Joseph Manolo – In Thanksgiving
+ Gloria Libardo

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Aiden Noronha
+ Ellen Traynor

+ Danny O'Donnell

THURSDAY, APRIL 28 – 8:30 A.M.

S.I. In reparation for sins committed against the
Most Holy Eucharist

FRIDAY, APRIL 29 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Deceased members of the Wolf and Dante Families
+ Peter Tran Hai
+ Catharina Hoang Thi Thuoc

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Jane Quigg
+ Peter Drozdiuk
S.I. Krystyna Ozimek and Family

SUNDAY, MAY 1 – 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

S.I. Parish Community

SHARELIFE SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEKEND



When you support ShareLife, you support agencies like Mary Centre. Here's how your support makes a difference for the work of this agency:

"Thank you to all who donate to ShareLife. With each donation we receive, we are able to attain our goals of assisting people in their efforts in building a good life, and also providing a safe place for people with a developmental disability to stay so that their families/caregivers and themselves can get some needed respite."

Thus far we have raised \$13,710 toward our goal of \$135,000. **Please give generously.**

MARCH FOR LIFE

The March for Life pro-life event in Ottawa is on and will take place Thursday, May 12, 2022. Although there will be no bus leaving from St Francis of Assisi, those interested can book a subsidized ticket at Eventbrite, bit.ly/3ue9eht. You will be assigned to a bus leaving from the area. Please see the poster at the back of the Church or contact John Killackey at (905) 820-9232.

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April 17, 2022

WATCH
ECHO WITH BISHOP DONALD HYING
ECHO is a series of short and engaging videos that introduces fundamental Catholic teachings and provides an inspiring start to personal growth in the Faith. This beautiful work of cinematography is hosted by Bishop Donald Hying of Gary, Indiana.

LEARN
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES AND THE CHARACTER OF A CHRISTIAN
In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales' Introduction to the Devout Life and the proper character of a Christian. We hope you enjoy these conversations on an incredible Counter-Reformation saint whose work has instructed generations of believers.

LISTEN
SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON
In this brilliant talk, Bishop Barron uses Dante's Divine Comedy to show how we combat sin through the cultivation of virtue. This fascinating journey shows the path that God has designed to lead us to health, happiness, and holiness.

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STEUBENVILLE TORONTO



Steubenville Toronto is Canada's largest annual conference for Catholic teens. The conference is designed for groups of Catholic teens. Anyone currently in grades 9-12 can attend as part of a

group. A group can be a youth ministry from a parish, a high school chaplaincy group, or even simply a group of friends with parent chaperones.

The next conference is scheduled for July 15-17, 2022. Participants arrive in the late afternoon on Friday, July 15, and the conference ends on Sunday, July 17 after Mass which is usually around noon. The exact schedule will be released once it is finalized. Please go to <https://www.steubilletoronto.com/> for more information.

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Please note that the office will be closed in the afternoon from April 22 to May 24.

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