OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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Rev. Fr. Alan Glass



MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: NO MASS, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m. Wednesday - Rosary, Devotions & Mass 6:30 p.m. Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m. First Friday (1 Mass) 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

All First Friday at 5:30 pm, All Wednesday at 5:30-6:50 p.m. and All Saturday at 3:30-4:20 p.m. for emergency please call the office.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. –12:00 Noon & 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm *The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays*

OFFICE STAFF:

Aurora Fraginal - Secretary
Patrick Callahan - Property Manager
Jack Tobin - Custodian

SCHOOLS:

Our Lady of Fatima School

3176 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5252

St. Joachim's School

3395 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5292

PARISH GROUPS:

St. Vincent de Paul Society (Helpline) 416-757-9561

Discalced Carmelite Secular Order - O.C.D.S.

Lucia dos Santos Community - every 3rd Tues. @ 7:00 p.m. Contact: Teresa Casino, maritess8@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus - Second Thursday @ 7:15 p.m.
Frank Grech (GK) 416-424-2111
Paul St. Pierre (DGK) 416-906-8141

Catholic Women's League - every 1st Sat. @ 2:00 p.m. cwl.olof@gmail.com

Legion of Mary - Praesidium - **every Sat.** @ **10:00 a.m.** Auxiliary Circle - **every 2**nd **Sun.** @ **1:30 p.m.**

The Lord's Flock Prayer Group Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

Missionaries Family of Christ - every 3rd Sat. @ 6:00 pm Ed & Beth Zapanta, Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com

BAPTISMS:

Application Form from the Parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Contact the Parish Office in September.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one** *full year in advance*. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. A Marriage Preparation Course is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

FUNERALS: Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!





Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 12

9:00 a.m. +Lina & Joe Lagani

10:30 a.m. Povolo Family (I) Thanksgiving

12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, March 13

No Mass

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 a.m. +Benito Abuel

Wednesday, March 15

7:00 p.m. +Teresita Molina

Thursday, March 16

8:00 a.m. +Ulderico Farelli

Friday, March 17

8:00 a.m. +Ofelia Bernard

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18

9:00 a.m. +Nelia dela Fuente

4:30 p.m. +Rosario Villamil

Third Sunday of Lent - March 12, 2023



"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact **Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy.**

Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Glass at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.

Next Week Readings

4th Sunday of Lent
True Recovery of Sight
1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5.8 -14
Gospel: 9.1-41

Jesus Heals a Blind Man Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The Holy Spirit is still at work in the Church

Church reform will come when our attempts are solidly established on the rock of Jesus Christ as He is presented to us by the Scriptures and the Tradition of the Church and her dogmas and theological teaching. One thing that is not being tried in any particularly enthusiastic way by people who call themselves Catholics is Catholicism. — Fr. Benedict Groeschel

The Church, according to St. Paul, is 'the household of God' and 'the pillar and bulwark of the truth' It is therefore sad to see those in positions of authority within the Church failing to stand up for the truth. As St. Augustine says: "Christ is the truth: if you deny the truth, you deny Christ."

The situation, however, is not all bad. In fact, the Holy Spirit has been for many years at work, bringing about what Fr. Groeschel called the 'reform of renewal.' This reform was encouraged by Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI, but the real work has been done at the grassroots level.

When the history of the post-Vatican II Catholic Church is written, Mother Angelica will get her own chapter. By a sheer act of faith this cloistered Poor Clare nun started EWTN, the Eternal Word Television Network. Mother Angelica died seven years ago, on Easter Sunday, but EWTN still carries on her work. Pope John Paul II recognized the vital importance of Mother Angelica's mission: "EWTN," he said, "is the key to restoring the Roman Catholic Church in America."

The flourishing of 'solid' Catholic publishers is another noteworthy development. My shelves are full of books from Ignatius Press, Sophia Institute, Angelico, Emmaus, TAN and others. The perennial classics are all in print but newly authored books are continually coming off the presses.

Print magazines are now mostly a thing of the past, but the internet has become a rich source for timely articles: First Things, The Catholic Thing, Crisis Magazine, Catholic World Report, The National Catholic Register, etc.

The Church hierarchy is not lacking faith-filled shepherds. Cardinal Zen has been heroic in his efforts to sustain the Catholic Church in China. Cardinal Sarah recently retired as the head of the Congregation for Divine Worship in the Vatican, where he was a much needed stabilizing influence. His trilogy of books — "God Alone", "The Power of Silence," and "The Night is Now Far Spent" — were timely correctives to Catholic-lite. His most recent book is "A Catechism of the Spiritual Life.' Bishop Athanasius Schneider has written several important books, including his latest, simply titled 'The Catholic Mass."

We cannot overlook the serious troubles that currently afflict the Church, but we should also be aware of the tremendous number of good things that are happening, even in the midst of crisis.





Confirmation Classes 2023



Applications for **CONFIRMATION** are now available in the office. Candidates must submit their

application as soon as possible classes will start on *Saturday, March 24 at 2:30 pm in the church hall.* Candidates from Public Schools can contact the office during office hours at 416-757-2806 to pick up a form.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2022-2023



The Children's Liturgy meetings and First Holy Communion classes continues next *Sunday March 26*, 2023. Attendance for these session

are mandatory. Thank you.

R.C.IA. program for 2022-2023 - sessions ...

Sessions are held in the 'Stage Room' every Saturday at 10:00 am in our church hall. Each



session last more or less 60 minutes. The next sessions are on Saturday Mar. 18, 25 & 25. At this point we cannot accept any more new applicants. *Thank you*

Mass of Celebration to Welcome Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo



The installation of **Bishop Francis** (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on *Saturday*, *March 25*, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Given capacity restrictions at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only

event. The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: www.slmedia.org. Parishioners are invited to attend a regional Mass of Welcome taking place to the following churches:

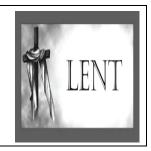
- Central Region Tues., April 11, 2023
- Blessed Trinity Parish, Toronto 7:00 p.m.
- Northern Region Mon., April 17, 2023
- St. Mary's Parish, Barrie 7:00 p.m.
- Eastern Region Wed., April 26, 2023
- St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Pickering 7:00 p.m.
- Western Region Wed., May 3, 2023
- St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga 7:00 p.m. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.

Every Friday during Lent

8:00 am Morning Mass 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Every Saturday in Lent ...

9:00 am Morning Mass 3:30 pm – 4:20 pm Confessions 4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass



ST. JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF B.V.M. and Patron of Canada

On *Monday, March 20*, Solemn Feast day of Saint Joseph, Patron of Canada, *no morning*. Our church will be celebrating a special Mass and Devotions start at **6:30 pm** followed by

Holy Mass 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

ShareLife Campaign 2023 Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters



ShareLife **Sunday is March 26** and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable. Many

in our communities are in need of our help and assistance. Their problems are many, ranging from mental illness, to poverty, addiction and isolation. They turn to ShareLife agencies for support. As a parish, this is our opporunity to live the Gospel! Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

- Our Lady of Fatima Conference
- Recruitment Weekend

There will be a recruitment for new members at all Masses during the weekend of March 25 and 26. The conference is in desperate need of new members who are able and



willing to give a few hours each month to help us to help the needy in our community. If you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer in a meaningful way by serving those who are less fortunate, please consider signing up for an information session to learn how you can share your most valuable gifts of time and talents. Thank You

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