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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 2nd 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

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

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."!



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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Sunday, March 26

- 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. A. Mary Florence (I) Thanksgiving
- 12:15 p.m. +Josephine Lind

Monday, March 27

No Mass

Tuesday, March 28

- 8:00 a.m. Christopher Singhroy (I) Thanksgiving

Wednesday, March 29

- 7:00 p.m. Ruperto Fraginal (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, March 30

- 8:00 a.m. +Roland Sia

Friday, March 31

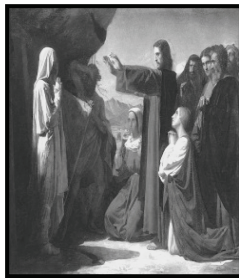
- 8:00 a.m. +Iluminada Bautista
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 01

- 9:00 a.m. +S. Mariamma
- 4:30 p.m. People of the Parish

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 26, 2023

“We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day.” Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? 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

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Through the Eyes of a Donkey

1st Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26.14-27.66

Jesus Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Weltanschauung und Zeitgeist

Today the Church proposes a new evangelization because there is more need of it, even more than there was fifty years ago, at the time of the Second Vatican Council. Recent decades have seen the advance of a spiritual ‘desertification.’ In the Council’s time it was already possible from a few tragic pages of history to know what a life or a world without God looked like, but now we see it every day around us. This void has spread. — Pope Benedict XVI

Bishop Robert Barron often refers to the ‘nones’ — those with no religious affiliation. Most of these ‘nones’ would refer to themselves as ‘atheist’ or ‘agnostic.’ They currently make up the majority of the populations in what were once Christian nations. It is to these people that the ‘new evangelization’ is directed.

It is not right to say that these ‘nones’ have no religion. Everybody has a religion in the sense that one’s ‘religion’ is one’s philosophy of life, or to use the German word, one’s *Weltanschauung* (world-view). My world-view is formed by my Catholic faith. An Evangelical would claim to have a biblical world-view. The ‘nones’ may not be able to put a label on their world-view but they do have a system of beliefs, which they hold on to tenaciously, even if it consists of an assortment of disconnected and contradictory ideas.

Cicero, the great Roman orator, noted that “there is no idea so absurd that some philosopher has not said it.” Absurdities have now become widely accepted ‘truths.’ For example, it is now firmly believed by many that a man can get pregnant. This is a matter of absolute faith, completely impenetrable to logic. Abraham Lincoln once asked: “How many legs does a dog have, if you call the tail a leg?” The answer: “Four. Calling a tail a leg doesn’t make it a leg.”

Our *Weltanschauung* (personal world-view) conforms, by default, to the *Zeitgeist*, the ‘spirit of the times.’ We are social beings. We have a deeply ingrained instinct to follow the herd. When everyone is tattooed, we feel a primal urge to join the crowd. In an overtly Christian country it is a matter of middle-class respectability to be seen in Church on Sunday. In an overtly post-Christian country, it becomes a matter of embarrassment.

Chesterton observed: When men cease to believe in God, they don’t believe in nothing; they believe in anything. That ‘anything’ now consists of a dizzying array of ‘critical’ theories. Pope Benedict spoke of a spiritual desert. I do not see a desert. I see a garden overgrown and choked with weeds. We are in an age of ‘irreligion’ only in so far as belief in God is concerned. Faith abounds. But it is not faith in God. It is faith in the ability to make one’s own ‘truth.’ We have eaten of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and we have become like God.



Confirmation Classes 2023



Applications for CONFIRMATION are still available in the office. Candidates must attend all church service during the *Holy week starting Saturday, April 01, Palm Sunday, April 01, Holy Thursday, April 08 Good Friday & April 09 for Easter Vigil. Participation is Must in completion of the course.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2022-2023

The Children's Liturgy meetings and First Holy Communion classes will resume this *Sunday March 25. All students & parent are to participate for the coming Holy Week service in the church. Please see schedule below.* Attendance for these sessions are mandatory. Thank you.



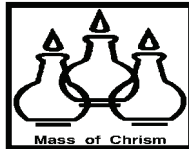
R.C.I.A. program for 2022-2023 – sessions ...



Sessions are held in the 'Stage Room' every Saturday at 10:00 am in our church hall. The Easter Vigil celebration during which candidates will receive the sacraments will take place on Saturday, **April 08** starting at **8:30 to 9:30 pm.** Thank you.

MASS OF CHRISM

Archbishop Thomas Cardinal Collins will celebrate the MASS OF CHRISM on *Tuesday, April 04* at *St. Michael's Cathedral at 11 :00 a.m.* www.stmichaelscathedral.com/



The Renewal of Priestly Promises will take place after the homily. The Holy Oils – blessed during this Mass – will be afterwards distributed to all the parishes to be used in the celebration of the sacraments as from Easter. *Deacons and all parishioners are invited to attend.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING HOLY WEEK

Stations of the Cross are prayed every evening from **Monday to Wednesday** of Holy Week at 7:00 pm. On **GOOD FRIDAY** the Stations will be prayed at 7:00 pm.



During these holy days we are all encouraged to reflect and meditate on Christ's journey of healing, forgive-ness, mercy and love.

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you

HAVE A BEAUTIFUL DAY AND A BLESSED HOLY WEEK. Remember Jesus Gave His Life for You

Share Life Campaign 2023



Today, ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. In the words of Cardinal Collins:

“Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part.” Our parish goal this year is **[31,000.00]**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Special Good Friday Collection 2023:

Needs of the Church in the Holy Land

The collection on Good Friday is done Worldwide in the Catholic Church and offered in support of the Holy Land. There are many Christian communities, who are suffering persecution in the Holy Land. Please use the envelopes that are in your box of donation envelopes.



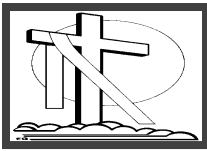
Do support those that live this challenge on our behalf.

Holy Triduum Schedule 2023

April 06 <i>Holy Thursday</i>		No morning Mass
	7:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 07 <i>Good Friday</i>		Day of Fasting and Abstinence
	7:00 am	Church is open for Adoration and prayers
	12:00 noon	Celebration of the Lord's Passion [1]
	3:00 pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion [2]
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
April 08 <i>Holy Saturday</i>	8:30 pm	Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 04 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:00 am 10:30 am 12:15 pm	Easter Day Sunday Masses The Lord is Risen – Allelujah! Allelujah!

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be available only on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm to 6:50 pm or Saturdays at 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm. Return to me with all your heart.



Holy Week Schedule for 2023



April 01 Saturday <i>Palm Sunday</i>	4:30 pm	Palm Sunday Mass
April 02 Sunday <i>Palm Sunday</i>	9:00 am	Sunday Mass
	10:30 am	Sunday Mass
	12:15 pm	Sunday Mass
April 03 Monday of <i>Holy Week</i>	8:00 am	Morning Mass
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
April 04 Tuesday of <i>Holy Week</i>	8 :00 am	Morning Mass
	11:00 am	<i>Mass of Chrism at St Michael's Cathedral</i> www.stmichaescathedral.com/livestream
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
April 05 Wed. of <i>Holy Week</i>		No Morning Mass
	6:30 pm	Stations of the Cross followed by Holy Mass
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April 09 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:00 am	Easter Day
	10:30 am	Sunday Masses
	12:15 pm	THE LORD IS RISEN – ALLELUJAH! ALLELUJAH!

Confessions/Reconciliation

Confessions will be available on **Sat. April 01 at 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm** and **Wed., April 05 at 5:30 pm-6:15 pm**. Please contact the office and make an appointment if these times do not work for you.



The Office is closed from Good Friday (April 07 to Easter Monday April 10)

- both days inclusive -

Have a blessed & holy Easter!



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