

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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## 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](mailto:maritess8@hotmail.com)

### *Knights of Columbus - Second Thursday @ 7:15 p.m.*

Frank Grech (GK) 416-424-2111

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### *Catholic Women's League - every 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. @ 2:00 p.m.*

[cwl.olof@gmail.com](mailto:cwl.olof@gmail.com)

### *Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.*

Auxiliary Circle - every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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](http://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, May 21**

- 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. +Ben & Beatriz Remigio
- 12:15 p.m. +Flaviana Paa

**Monday, May 22**

No Morning Mass

**Tuesday, May 23**

- 8:00 a.m. +Luciano Sia

**Wednesday, May 24**

- 7:00 p.m. Jean Balallo (I) Thanksgiving

**Thursday, May 25**

- 8:00 a.m. +Maria Arruda

**Friday, May 26**

- 8:00 a.m. +Bernardo Remigio

**Saturday, May 27**

- 9:00 a.m. +Alex Ramirez
- 4:30 p.m. Paula Ignacio (I) Thanksgiving

**Seventh Sunday of Easter May 21, 2023**



**The Ascension of the Lord**

Jesus said, “Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” If you are discerning God’s call for the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997;

email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call Rev. Glass at 416-757-2806 or at [olfatimasc@archtoronto.org](mailto:olfatimasc@archtoronto.org) for more information.

**Next Week Readings**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Being Strengthened by the Spirit**

**1st Reading: Acts 2.1-11**

**2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13**

**Gospel: John 20.19-23**

**Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

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

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:**

*To love this world is to break faith with God.*

Mark Twain described his mother as a genuinely good person who had no doubt about the legitimacy of slavery. Living before the American Civil War in the South, she had never heard any sermon opposing slavery, but only countless sermons preaching that slavery was God's will. With or without religion, good people can behave well and bad people can do evil; but for good people to do evil, that takes religion. — Steven Weinberg (Nobel prize physicist/atheist)

What if, in this opening quote, we replace the word ‘slavery’ with ‘abortion’? Is Joe Biden a good person? He has declared many times, vociferously, that abortion is a human right; not only ‘legitimate’, but something to be championed as a positive good. Has Biden’s religion somehow brainwashed him into believing that killing an innocent child in the womb is a good thing? Biden boasts of being a ‘devout’ Catholic, but the Catechism of the Catholic Church states with utter clarity:

Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person — among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life. ... Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are *abominable crimes*.

No doubt, Joe Biden thinks of himself as a good person. Maybe he has found a way to square his support for abortion with his claim to be Catholic. In the recent past, ‘Catholic’ politicians would dodge the issue by saying that they were ‘personally opposed’ but they would not impose their ‘personal religious beliefs’ on society. Biden does not even bother with that flimsy excuse. He has unequivocally declared: “I believe that a woman’s ‘right to choose’ (i.e., abortion) is fundamental.”

I am only picking on Biden because he is currently the most prominent ‘Catholic’ politician. Biden shamelessly visits the Pope for photo-ops and then boasts that the Pope gives him Communion, implying that the Pope approves of his actions and that he is a Catholic in good standing.

If it takes ‘religion’ for good people to do evil, how do we explain ‘good people’ like Biden endorsing what their religion categorically condemns as an ‘abominable crime’? The simple explanation is that they look to their culture rather than their religion for guidance in moral decision making. If it is politically expedient, they do not hesitate to act contrary to basic Christian morality. This is nothing new. Long ago, St. Augustine observed: “To love this world is to break faith with God, yet men are applauded for it and are ashamed to be otherwise.”



This Monday - May 21st - is ...



Have a pleasant holiday with your family!  
Church and office will be closed all day.

**Confirmation Classes 2023**



Confirmation date will be this *Sunday May 28, 2023 at 2:30 pm.* Congratulations to the confirmandi and their families. May the Holy Spirit guide you, bless and protect you.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2022-2023**

The Children's Liturgy meetings will continue next week *Sunday, May 28 at 10:30 am Mass in the church hall.* All children - from 6 to 10 years old are welcome to participate.



**Archdiocese of Toronto- May 2023**

**Congratulations to the newly ordained Priests!**



*Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Mirko Ljuba, Rev. Sean Jacob Rev. Savio Bruto Da Costa, John Wang and Matthew Wang.*

As a community of faith, let us offer our prayers for these seven men as they are ordained to the priesthood. Let us also continue to pray for all those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary. *May they serve the Lord with gladness, come before Him singing for joy (Ps 100:2).*

**ShareLife Campaign 2023**

**ShareLife and World Communications Day**



On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of Deaf people in our community. More than 60% of families with a Deaf child do not know or use a signing language. Silent Voice, a ShareLife agency, is able to provide an array of accessible programs and services, responding to the needs of Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families in American Sign Language (ASL). This is because of you. The help and support you give brings hope and changes many lives. Thank you for your generosity. Thus far we have raised **[\$14, 433.35]** toward our goal of **[\$31,000.00]**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

**DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2023**



*New Parishioners are encouraged to register and get their personal box of envelopes at the back of the church. Please don't forget to fill out the registration form so that at the end of the year your contributions will be acknowledged with a tax receipt. Thank you for your support throughout the year.*

**INFANT JESUS NOVENA-2023**

Novena 2- Wed. **May 24** at 6:00 pm  
Novena 3- Wed. **June 28** at 6:00 pm  
Novena 4- Wed. **July 26** at 6:00 pm



**The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, Jan 17, 2024.**

**Baptism Preparation for May 2023**

A meeting for parents and godparents in preparation for baptism, will take place *on Friday, May 26, 2023 at 6:00 pm* in the church hall (stage room). Baptism Celebration will be *on Saturday, June 03, 2023 at 10:30 am.*



**Marian Day of Prayer -**



The Ave Maria Centre of Peace is holding its annual Marian Day of Prayer *on May 27 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Chaldean Catholic Cathedral, 2 High Meadow Place in*

North York. Speaker would be Fr. T. McKenna, Moira Noonan & Christine Watkins. Free Admission, a collection will be taken and registration is required at [marianday.ca/Eventbrite.com](http://marianday.ca/Eventbrite.com) or call 416-251-4245.

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