

# 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 1st 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 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](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 - Adoration, Devotions & Mass 6:00 pm

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday (1 Mass) Devotions & Mass 6:00 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."!*



## Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, October 08

9:00 a.m. +Saluzin & Irene De Sequeira

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

12:15 p.m. +Maria P. Alcantara

### Monday, October 09

No Mass

### Tuesday, October 10

8:00 a.m. +Lucille Belgrave

### Wednesday, October 11

7:00 p.m. +Trentadue & Caporusso Dec. Fam. Mem

### Thursday, October 12

8:00 a.m. +Johanna Taylor

### Friday, October 13

8:00 a.m. +Joseph Quail

### Saturday, October 14

9:00 a.m. +Olive Faldas

4:30 p.m. Vilma Balallo (I) Thanksgiving

### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT – October 08, 2023

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious? If God is calling you, 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. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806 or at [olfatimasc@archtoronto.org](mailto:olfatimasc@archtoronto.org) for more information.**



### Next Week Readings

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

**1st Reading: Isaiah 25.6-10a**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20**

**Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14**

Count Your Blessings

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

HAPPY  
*Thanksgiving*

### FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

#### *The Parish Volunteer Screening Program*

We fulfill our mission more effectively when we make every effort to ensure a richer, stronger, more vibrant and safer community of faith. — Cardinal Collins

Every organization that relies on volunteers is required to have a process of volunteer screening. The Archdiocese of Toronto launched its screening initiative, called 'Strengthening the Caring Community' over two decades ago. By now, screening should be 'SOP' — 'standard operating procedure' — in every Parish is the archdiocese.

Given the events of the last few years it is not surprising that we have fallen behind in our screening program. Last year we made a good start by putting our screening files in order. It was clear, however, that much of our volunteer data was out of date. For many of our volunteers we have an initial application from twenty years ago and nothing since. In order to ensure that we are up to date, we are asking all of our volunteers to submit a new volunteer registration form. We are also asking the coordinators of our various ministries to submit a current list of members.

As part of the screening program, there is a 'mandatory' requirement that all volunteers (from the least to the greatest) receive training. This consists of a review of the general code of conduct for volunteers, with an additional requirement for dealing with people with disabilities. We are now working on developing a training presentation. Once we get our current volunteers through the training, we will conduct regular sessions for new volunteers

To my way of thinking, there are no 'volunteers' in the Church; rather, we all participate in the life of the Church. Every parishioner ought to be participating in some kind of Parish ministry. This is what Archbishop Leo calls 'stewardship' as he explained in his homily for 'Stewardship Sunday.' There is nothing wrong with just showing up for Mass — after all, it is the Sacraments which are most important — but the Parish is also a community and we should all contribute to the good of the community.

Our current goal is to get our screening program running efficiently and to bring our files up to date. Our Screening Committee has been working hard on this. If you feel that you have the time and the skills to help out, we would be happy to have you join the team.

Some parishioners, especially those who have been active in parish ministry for many years, will find this process to be a nuisance. I agree, but there is no way to avoid it, so let us get it done as efficiently as possible.

Our primary goal is to ensure that our Parish is safe and welcoming. The volunteer screening program is primarily directed to achieving that goal. If you are involved in Parish ministry please take the time to fill out a new registration form. Thank you for your co-operation.



OCTOBER 8, 2023



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue next *Sunday, Oct. 15, 22, & 29* during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



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Registration for **CONFIRMATION** is *on-going* or *If you need an application they are available during office hours only. Thank you*

### R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2023 – Apr. 2024

Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to deepen your faith? Perhaps you want to refresh your catholic doctrine? Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith. If you or anyone you know is interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us at (416) 757-2806. Email: [olfatimasc@archtoronto.org](mailto:olfatimasc@archtoronto.org). Forms and schedules may be available from our website on a later date. Thanks.

### Mass Attendance Survey 2023

This survey requested by Archdiocese is intended to provide an accurate profile of 'Mass Attendance' for all parish and mission communities. It will be done during all the weekend Masses and over two weekends – *October 14/15 and 21/22*– and it will involve a number of ushers and volunteers doing a 'head count' in every section of the church at the start of the homily. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Thank you for your co-operation in this exercise

### REMINDER THAT ...

There is a second collection – on **October 14/15** for the *Renovation Fund*. Thank you in advance for your kind assistance and support. May God reward abundantly.

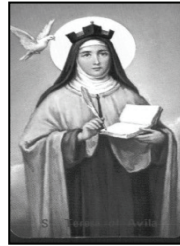
*Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*



A second collection for the **WORLD MISSIONS** will be done the weekend of **October 21/22**. Please use envelopes from your box of donation envelopes ... or the ones available at all church entrances. Pray for the Missions and help generously. Also visit [www.missionsocieties.ca](http://www.missionsocieties.ca).



### Feast of St. Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)



Join us for – *Holy hour, Rosary, Evening prayer & Holy Mass on Monday, October 16 at 7:00 pm*

*Let nothing disturb you, Let nothing frighten you, All things are passing away: God never changes. Patience obtains all things Whoever has God lacks nothing; God alone suffices.*

### Missionary Families of Christ Defending Faith, Family & Life.

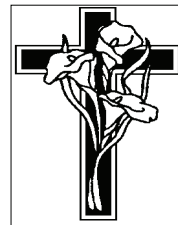
--invites you to a Christian Life Seminar starting **October 24, 2023** the seminar will run for 6 Saturdays in our church hall after the 4:30 pm Mass and is an ideal opportunity for Christian renewal.



It offers to all Christian adults - single or married - a renewed understanding of our commitment to God and means to revitalize our life in the Christian community. MFC representatives will be distributing flyers after each Mass on the weekend. Thank you.

### All Souls Day 2023

†A *second collection* for **All Souls Day** will be held during all Masses of the weekend **October 28 & October 29.**



† On *Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>* – **ALL SAINT DAY** – Masses in our church will be at **7:00 pm.**

*November 2<sup>nd</sup>* – **ALL SOULS DAY**– Masses will be at **8:00 am & 7:00pm**

† Other Masses offered for loved ones listed in the *Book of Remembrance* will be celebrated on:

**Sunday, Nov. 05 at 12:15 pm**

**Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 7:00 pm**

**Sunday, Nov. 19 at 9:00 am**

**Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7:00 am**



† Please, if possible, enter the names of your loved ones in the "*Book of Remembrance*" before **November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### St. Michael College School



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2024. St. Michael's College School is

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