

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

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

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 - 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, February 04

- 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 10:30 a.m. +Danny & Agnes Gomes
- 12:15 p.m. Ray & Mila Villamil (I) Thanksgiving

Monday, February 05

No Mass Schedule

Tuesday, February 06

- 8:00 a.m. Rev. William Henry

Wednesday, February 07

- 7:00 p.m. +Joan McManus

Thursday, February 08

- 8:00 a.m. +Leila Jones

Friday, February 09

- 8:00 am +Pedro & Erlinda Echivarre

Saturday, February 10

- 9:00 a.m. Lawrence Friginal (Thanksgiving)
- 4:30 p.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent de Paul at OLF

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Feb. 04, 2024



Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call

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

Next Week Readings

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Being a Billboard for Christ

1st Reading: Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1

Gospel: Mark 1.40-45

Jesus cleanses a Leper

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Getting ready for Lent.

I am impressed with a sad presentiment, as if the gift of truth when once lost was lost forever. And so the Christian world is gradually becoming barren and effete, as land which has been worked out and has become sand. — Cardinal Newman (1833)

In his homily for the start of the ‘Year of Faith’, Pope Benedict quoted Cardinal Newman’s ‘sad presentiment’ and then went on to say:

Today the Church proposes a new evangelization because recent decades have seen the advance of a spiritual ‘desertification.’ At the time of the Second Vatican Council 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.

But it is in starting from the experience of this desert, from this void, that we can again discover the joy of believing, its vital importance for us. In the desert people of faith are needed who point out the way to the Promised Land and keep hope alive.

During the season of Lent, which will begin with our observance of Ash Wednesday on February 14th, we recall and, to some extent, share the experience of the forty years that the people of Israel spent in the desert before entering the Promised Land, and the forty days that Jesus fasted in the desert preparing for his public ministry.

According to the traditional calendar we are already in the pre-Lenten period of ‘Septuagesima.’ It is the time to plan our observance of Lent so that it may be spiritually fruitful. Every gardener knows that plants need periods of dryness so that their roots are encouraged penetrate deeper into the soil and benefit from later watering.

Lent has been called a ‘joy-filled’ season. I do not know about that, but it is certainly ‘grace-filled.’ Over the years I have come to more fully appreciate the season of Lent. Beginning in mid-winter — a frigid desert — it culminates with the coming of spring and a burgeoning of new life at Easter. This year, especially, with the recent passing of my mother, Lent will be have a special meaning for me, as we follow the footsteps of Christ along the Way of the Cross towards the glory of the Resurrection.

Pope Benedict concluded his homily with these words: May this Year of Faith [this Lent] make our relationship with Christ the Lord increasingly firm, since only in him is there the certitude for looking to the future and the guarantee of an authentic and lasting love. We believe with firm certitude that the Lord Jesus has conquered evil and death. With this sure confidence we entrust ourselves to him: he, present in our midst, overcomes the power of the evil one.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue this *Sunday, February 4 & 11* during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



CONFIRMATION 2023-2024



Next class will be on *Saturday, March 23*. *Confirmandi* are asked to participate on all the service for *Ash Wednesday & Holy Week*. Please see the schedules.: Attendance is mandatory for all meetings and the Sunday Eucharist. See the notes and schedule given to you. Thank you

Schedule on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

- 8:00 am** Holy Mass with the blessings distribution of Ashes
 - 9:30 am** St. Joachim School Liturgy and distribution of Ashes
 - 12:30 pm** Our Lady of Fatima School Liturgy and distribution of Ashes
 - 6:00 pm-6:45 pm** Holy Hour & Confessions
 - 7:00 pm** Holy Mass with the blessings & distribution of Ashes
- May your Ash Wednesday be a time of reflection and promise.

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 Reconciliation/Confessions
- 4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass



We adore you, O Christ and we bless you.

Please pray for the newly baptized in Christ:

☩ *Cahlil Jai Sangalang*
Ophelia Rose Konupka
& *Trinite Sangwa*

For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. Galatians 3:26

Interested in P.A.G. (Pre-Authorized Giving Plan)?

Pick up a flyer with more information about what is the 'pre-authorized giving' plan and how parishioners can participate. Is your personal data as registered in our records updated? Please inform the office (416-757-2806) about any changes in your information... new address or new phone number or added members to your household!



Thank you for your co-operation!

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

- Marriage Sunday 2024



will celebrate in the weekend of February 11/12. *MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO* Sunday, February 11, 2024, 3:00

p.m. St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond Street, Toronto. ALL ARE WELCOME!

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2024

Motivating Talks, Inspirational Testimonies, Adoration & Powerful Worship. Archbishop Leo will be celebrating Sunday Mass.

When: Saturday, March 2

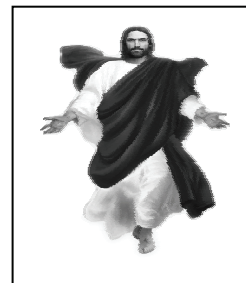
Where: Metro Toronto Convention Centre, [John Basset Theatre]

Time: 9:00 am – 5:30 pm

Web: <https://www.ljhr.ca/>, Catholic Renewal Ministries

Tickets: \$15.00 for Youth & \$30 for Adult

Theme of Youth Rally is "TAKE HEART": Don't Lose Hope/ Get Up, He's Calling You."



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Date:

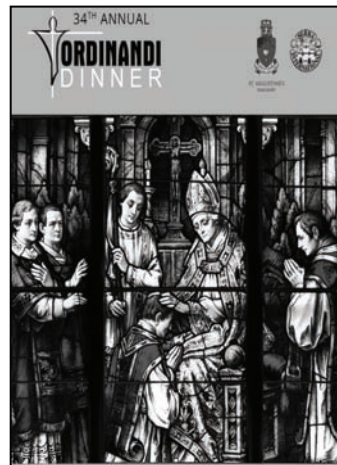
Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Time:

Reception & Cash Bar at 5:00 pm Dinner at 6:15pm SHARP

Location:

Pearson Convention Center 2638 Steeles Ave. East, Brampton Tel: (905) 494-



0444 (north west corner of Airport Rd. & Steeles)

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