OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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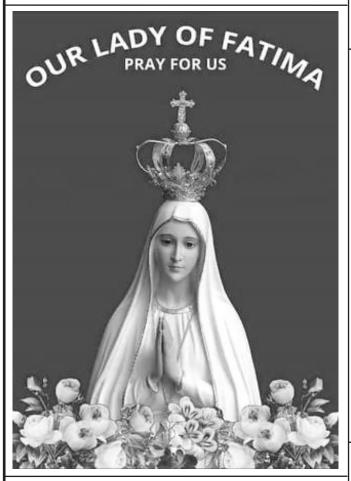
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PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Glass



MASS SCHEDULES: Saturday 4:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. Sundav

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 **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:	
Ct Vincent de Deud Cesiste (Heleline)	440 757 0504

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 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

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

Palm Sunday, March 24				
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish			
10:30 a.m.	+Feliciano & Esther Fraginal			
12:15 p.m.	Lule Family (I) Thanksgiving			
Holy Monday, March 25				
	No Mass Schedule			
Holy Tuesday, March 26				
8:00 a.m.	m. +Aida Abuel			
Holy Wednesday, March 27				
6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour + Adoration			
7:00 p.m.	Gary Rodrigues (I)			
Holy Thursday, March 28				
7:30 p.m.	m. Priest's Intention Past & Present			
Good Friday, March 29				
12:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (1)			
3:00 p.m.	00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (2			
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross			
Holy Saturday, March 30 Easter Vigil				
12:00 p.m. Easter Food Blessing				

Palm Sunday - Passion of the Lord Mar. 24, 2024

+Roland Sia



8:30 p.m.

Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997; email at vocations@archtoronto.org or

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call **Rev. Alan Glass** at 416-757-2806 or olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Hosanna to the son of David!

The Mass for Palm Sunday begins with the Gospel account of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, with the crowd casting their cloaks on the ground, waving branches and shouting 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" One can see this as the high point of Jesus' public ministry. Up until this time he did not wish to be acclaimed as the Messiah. Now he enters Jerusalem in a way that unmistakeably fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah: "Tell the daughter of Zion, look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

During this Mass we also listen to the Passion Narrative from Mark's Gospel, in which the crowd no longer shouts 'Hosanna' but "Crucify him! Crucify him!" I have heard it said (and I have likely said it myself) that the same crowd that acclaims Jesus as the Messiah, within a few days is condemning him as a criminal. But was it the *same* crowd?

The people who came to greet Jesus on his entry into Jerusalem acted without planning. Word spread, "Jesus is coming! Jesus is coming!" and the crowds rushed to see him. Their joy was spontaneous and genuine. But the reaction of the Pharisees was very different. They told Jesus to silence the crowd, and he answered them, "If these were silent, the stones would shout out." So the authorities set about plotting his death.

The crowd on Good Friday was assembled by the Jewish authorities to convince Pilate that 'the people' were calling for Jesus' death. They had no qualms about condemning an innocent man as a matter of political expediency.

So where were all the people who earlier acclaimed Jesus as the Son of David? Why did they not speak up when it really mattered? We can ask ourselves the same question. Why do we not defend Jesus when we hear him being reviled? Even the disciples ran away after Jesus' arrest. Peter, the 'rock', denied Jesus, not once but three times. Of the eleven apostles, only John stood by Jesus at the cross alongside Jesus' mother and Mary Magdalene. For them, love overcame fear.

John is called 'the beloved disciple' but did Jesus really love him more than the others? Doesn't Jesus love everyone equally? No. Jesus loves every soul uniquely and infinitely. His love is an infinite ocean, a 'spring of water gushing up to eternal life'. But not everyone opens their hearts to receive that love. Do we approach that infinite ocean of love with a large bucket or a tiny thimble or not at all? Jesus' love is limited to the degree that we allow him to love us; loving Jesus and being loved by him are the same thing. St. John and Magdalene were more beloved because they loved Jesus more. That is why they were among the select few who were with him at the cross.





Next Week Readings

Easter Sunday- Christ is Risen Recognizing the Risen Lord 1st Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43 2^{md} Reading: Colossians 3.1-4 or Corinthians 5.6b-8 Gospel: John 20.1-18 The Resurrection of Jesus Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book

of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue this *Sunday, April 07* during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church



hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate. *Parents & children are encourage to participate on Holy Week services*.

CONFIRMATION 2023-2024

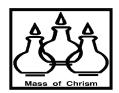


These are the dates for up-coming classes: March 23, & April 6. 2024 at 1:00 pm in the church hall. All candidates are asked to participate in all Lent service. Attendance is

mandatory for all meetings and the Sunday Eucharist. *See the notes and schedule given to you. Thank you*

MASS OF CHRISM

His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate the MASS OF CHRISM on *Tuesday, March 26* 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*.

Good Friday Collection 2024



The Good Friday collection "Needs of the Holy Land" is coordinated by the Commissariat of the Holy Land. As in the past, please remit funds from this collection to the Archdiocese. These funds are used

for the upkeep of the sanctuaries and to help with Pastoral work, Catholic schools and social assistance in the Holy Land. For more information please visit: www.commissariat.ca.

Holy Triduum Schedule 2024

March 28		No morning Mass		
Holy Thursday	7:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper		
March 29	Day of Fasting and Abstinence			
	12:00	Celebration of the Lord's		
Good	noon	Passion [1]		
Friday	3:00 pm	Celebration of the Lord's		
		Passion [2]		
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross		
March 30	12:00 pm	Blessing of Easter Food		
Holy Saturday	8:30 pm	Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection of the		
		Lord		
March 31	9:00 am	Easter Day		
Easter	10:30 am	Sunday Masses		
Sunday	12:15 pm	The Lord is Risen –		
	-	Allelujah! Allelujah!		

The Office is closed from Holy Thursday (half day only), Good Friday (March 30th) to Easter Monday (April 1st) both days inclusive.

Blessing of Easter Food Holy Saturday, March 30 12:00 noon



It is a Polish tradition to have a sample of the Easter Sunday meal blessed in the Church. Fr. Glass will do a short service of blessing on Holy Saturday. Do come and share in this beloved custom with

our parish family, or make this the start of a new Easter tradition with your own family, relatives, and friends!

ShareLife 2024

Welcome Jesus into your hearts by sharing your blessings today Today is Palm Sunday, a time in



our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of His teachings and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most. Thus far we have raised [\$11,380.95] toward our goal of [38,300.00]. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.

