OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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PASTOR:

Rev. Fr. Glass



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*

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:

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 2**nd **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, April 07

9:00 a.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent

de Paul of OLF

10:30 a.m. Past & Present Benefactors of St. Vincent

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12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, April 08 – The Annunciation of the Lord

7:00 pm Ethan Paul Bucsit (I) Healing

Tuesday, April 09

8:00 a.m. +Peter & Grace Nyiekaa

Wednesday, April 10

7:00 p.m. +Vito Caporusso Jr.

Thursday, April 11

8:00 a.m. +Anton Emmanuel

Friday, April 12

8:00 a.m. +Lee Jenkins

Saturday, April 13

9:00 am. +James, Irene & Brian Hassan

4:30 p.m. Ethan Paul Bucsit (I) Healing

2nd Sunday of Easter - April 07, 2024

Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a



priest, religious or 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

3rd Sunday of Easter — Befriending God
1st Reading: Acts 3.13-15, 17-19
2nd Reading: 1 John 2.1-5
Gospel: Luke 24.35-48
Jesus Appears to His Disciples
Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The Knowledge of Good and Evil

Today, freedom from worship prevails everywhere. There is no condign punishment and no social ostracism attached to atheism, and often much prestige. And still one can seldom find a book by a well-known scientist, philosopher, sociologist, historian or psychoanalyst which does not devote pages to lengthy explanations of why the author cannot accept the Divinity of Jesus. Paradoxically enough, in most books by Western authors we are cautioned to hold on to Christian "virtues" and "principles," but to do away with the belief in the Christ. This is much as though the authors should advocate that we keep our streets and houses well lighted, but do away with power plants. — Clare Booth Luce (1947)

Of course, we now see that she was right. Who today gives any thought to so-called Christian virtues and principles, except to mock and discredit them? The world has indeed moved on.

Atheists back in the 1800s gained a new respectability when Darwin's theory of evolution offered an alternative story of creation that left God out of the picture. At the same time, these "new" atheists made a point of living perfectly respectable and moral lives according to Victorian standards. The rejection of God, they insisted, did not mean an abandonment of those principles and morals which were the foundation of Western civilization.

The following generation, however, with perfect logic, saw that principles and morals themselves need a foundation, and the only foundation that Darwin could provide was "the survival of the fittest."

Although our modern secular "Post-Christian" culture has just about shut down the power plant and the lights have dimmed, there is still reason for hope. Some vestiges of an abandoned faith remain. Most people would still recognize the value of the golden rule — although they may not be able to say *why* I should do unto others as I would have them do unto me. As Catholic Christians, we profess our faith in Christ not because such faith is useful but because it is true.

Morality — knowing the difference between good and evil — is not *only* a matter of faith, as if it is okay for Christians to live by the golden rule if that strikes their fancy, but the rest of the world can choose some other equally acceptable rule to live by, such as P. T. Barnum's "There's a sucker born every minute!" The difference between good and evil is not relative. It is not different for different people depending on one's point of view. Knowing good from evil is built into our humanity — because we are all created in the image and likeness of God.





CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy meetings & First Holy Communion classes continues these Sundays, April 07, 14, 21 & 28 during the 10:30 am



Mass in the church hall. Thursday, April 11 at 6:00 pm communicant will have their second confession in the church.

CONFIRMATION 2023-2024



Up-coming schedule Thursday, April 11 at 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Confession in the church, Saturday, April 13 at 3:00 pm rehearsal with the sponsor. All candidates are asked to participate in

all significant dates. See the notes and schedule given to you. Thank you

The Archdiocese of Toronto's Volunteer Appreciation Week

Every Moment Matters will be celebrated from April 14-20, 2024, in alignment with Volunteer Canada's National Volunteer Week. This is a time of appreciation and celebration of every volunteer and each of the contributions they make at any moment. Collectively, every moment of sharing in time, skills, and empathy strengthens our community and answers the call to serve others following the example of Jesus and in response to His call to service for each of us. Galatians 6:10: "So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith." Every day across the Archdiocese of Toronto, parishioners generously give their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the community and share the Gospel. We recognize that each of our parish volunteers are at the heart of the Archdiocesan call to stewardship and are instrumental in all that we do. We thank each one of you, from the tireless work of Volunteer Screening Coordinators and Committee Members, Cleaners, Liturgical Hospitality Teams, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choirs, Collection Counters, Ministry Leaders, to the faith-affirming efforts of Catechists, Lay Pastoral Visitors, and Baptismal Preparation teams, and so many other volunteers. Volunteer Appreciation Day in our Parish - Our Lady of Fatima volunteers are invited to attend this year's Volunteer Appreciation Day on Saturday April 20th at 10:00am to 12:00pm in the church hall. Please confirm your attendance with your Ministry's coordinator.

ShareLife 2024

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Our Lady of Fatima Parish



St. Vincent de Paul Society & Knights of Columbus are having <u>Church Bazaar</u>



Saturday, May 25th 10:00 am -6:00 pm & Sunday, May 26th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm



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