

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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St. Vincent de Paul Society (Helpline) 416-757-9561

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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

Palm Sunday, April 14

- 9:00 a.m. +Danny & Agnes Gomes
10:30 a.m. St. Blaise for granting Prayers
12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, April 15

No Mass

Tuesday, April 16

- 8:00 a.m. +Lidinila San Juan

Wednesday, April 17

- 7:00 p.m. Marc Hughes (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, April 18

- 8:00 a.m. +Terease O'Malley

Friday, April 19

- 8:00 a.m. +Santeramo Maddalena

Saturday, April 20

- 9:00 am. +Santeramo Maddalena
4:30 p.m. +Ireneo Echavarre

3rd Sunday of Easter – April 14, 2024



What could convince someone to turn to God? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or, perhaps, the story of the witness of your own life!

If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be 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

4th Sunday of Easter – Sheep and Shepherd

1st Reading: Acts 4.7-12

2nd Reading: 1 John 3.1-2

Gospel: John 10.11-18

Jesus the Good Shepherd

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

He Gave Us So Much

Pope Benedict will be remembered as an immensely gifted intellectual. But to those who had the grace to collaborate closely with him, Pope Benedict left much more than writings and documents. Every meeting with him was a genuine spiritual experience that left its mark on my soul. Together they compose a spiritual portrait of someone whom I regard as a saint, and I hope that he will soon be canonized and declared a Doctor of the Church — Cardinal Robert Sarah.

Our faith depends on our own relationship with Christ, not on the faithfulness of those in authority. However, we ought to be encouraged when we see holiness in those who have devoted their lives to Christ and his Church.

Many years ago, as I was discerning my vocation to the priesthood, I was especially inspired by the examples of Pope John Paul and Cardinal John O'Connor of New York. The authenticity of their faith bolstered my confidence. Afterwards, I came to admire Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger as a profound theologian and a man of deep faith. I was delighted when he was elected Pope, taking the name Benedict XVI. Today, I am inspired by the example of men like Cardinals Joseph Zen and Robert Sarah.

Cardinal Sarah recently published a book in tribute to Pope Benedict, titled He Gave Us So Much. Here he gives 'a mystical portrait' of the Holy Father. He fondly writes of his encounters with Benedict while working in Rome, and he reflects on Benedict's life and legacy. Included are a number of Benedict's talks and homilies that highlight the themes that were most important to him.

Certainly, at the center of Benedict's concerns were the liturgy and the priesthood. Pope Benedict will be best remembered for two important initiatives of enduring importance: the document Anglicanorum Coetibus which permitted the celebration of the Mass in substantial accordance with Anglican tradition; and Summorum Pontificum, which recognized the right of the faithful to celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass. In 2019, jointly with Cardinal Sarah, Benedict published a book titled From the Depths of Our Hearts, affirming the abiding value of priestly celibacy.

According to Cardinal Sarah:

Benedict XVI was a lover of the truth, which, for him, was not a concept but a person he had met and loved: Jesus. "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." He never stopped reminding us that the experience of encountering Christ contradicts neither reason nor free will. "Christ takes nothing away; he gives everything!"



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue this *Sunday, April 14, 21 & 28* during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



***At all Masses this weekend ...
April 14, 2024***

... there will be a **second collection** at all of this weekend's Masses for the future **RENOVATION FUND**. *We are very grateful for your generosity!*

CONFIRMATION 2023-2024

Confirmation Day will be next Sunday, April 21 at 2:30 p.m. All candidates, sponsor and parents are asked to be seated in church at 1:45 pm.



Congratulation to the confirmandi and their families. May the Holy Spirit lights your way, so that your faith and love grow stronger.

Please pray for the newly baptized in Christ:

✠ Sarah Merlin Estrella, Nyla Manuel Patel, Olivia Rose Potestio Jirnov, Eva Adele Potestio Jirnov, & Isabella Mila San Juan

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

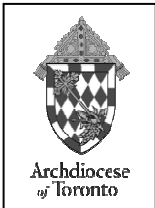
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The Archdiocese of Toronto's Volunteer Appreciation Week 2024



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.

“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.””

**Ecumenical Prayer Service
Celebrating Christian Unity 2024**

St. Gregory of Narek, a revered saint in the Oriental Orthodox Church, has recently come into our Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Join Archbishop Francis Leo and Bishop Abgar Hovakimyan (Primate of the Armenian Diocese of Canada) who will co-preside at a jointly prepared Armenian Vespers to celebrate this remarkable event on **Saturday, April 27, 2024, at 6 p.m.**, hosted at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church on 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough, Ont. M1G 3T5. A wide representation of church leaders in the Greater Toronto Area is expected at this event.



Our Lady of Fatima Parish

St. Vincent de Paul Society & Knights of Columbus



are having Church Bazaar on

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



Donations & Volunteers Needed

**Please contact : Frank at 416-779-3295
or Marie-Lou at 647-821-5399**

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