

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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### ***Our Lady of Fatima School***

3176 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5252

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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, April 28

9:00 a.m. +Flossie Joseph  
 10:30 a.m. Ceferino Namuncura (I)  
 12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

### Monday, April 29

No Mass

### Tuesday, April 30

8:00 a.m. +Ranji Selvanayagam

### Wednesday, May 01

7:00 p.m. +Danny & Agnes Gomes

### Thursday, May 02

8:00 a.m. +Salvador C. Alcantara

### Friday, May 03

7:00 pm +Roslin & Somapala Prathiraja

### Saturday, May 04

9:00 am. +Paul Kitchen  
 4:30 p.m. +Kella & Marie Caruso + **Novena 1**

### 5th Sunday of Easter – April 28, 2024



Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If 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](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

6th Sunday of Easter

Laying Down our Lives

**1st Reading: Acts 10.25-26, 34-35, 44-48**

**2nd Reading: 1John 4.7-10**

**Gospel: John 15-9-17**

No Greater Love

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

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

### *Getting Things Right Matters*

I have spent more years in school than I care to think about, capping it off with a Ph.D. — or, as I prefer to call it, a ‘black belt’ — in Engineering. I worked for many years as a Structural Engineer designing paper mills, powers plants, etc., before discerning my call to the priesthood. When I sat down with the vocations director, he informed me that I would be spending five more years in school. As a bonus I do have two more diplomas to hang on my wall, a BST and an M.Div., i.e., *Bachelor of Sacred Theology* and *Master of Divinity* — ‘divinity’ is an old-fashioned term for theology. I guess that gives me the right to call myself a ‘theologian’.

One of the peculiar things about the Seminary courses is the marking scheme. In Engineering school, if you answer all the questions on an exam correctly you get 100%. In Seminary, an excellent essay only gets a mark of 85%. In Engineering, brilliance is not required; you just need to be competent, knowing how to get the right answers.

Pope Benedict, at the start of the conclave that would elect him to succeed Pope John Paul II, warned against the idea that theology is only a matter of opinion or one’s personal point of view.

Today, having a clear faith based on the Creed of the Church is often labeled as ‘fundamentalism’. Whereas relativism, that is, letting oneself be ‘tossed here and there, carried about by every wind of doctrine’, seems the only attitude that can cope with modern times. We are building a *dictatorship of relativism* that does not recognize anything as definitive and whose ultimate goal consists solely of one’s own ego and desires.

My engineer’s mind revolts at the idea that ‘there are no right answers.’ In one seminary essay I quoted St. Thomas Aquinas. The prof wrote in the margin, “I want to know what *you think!*” What I think is that Aquinas is right. For Aquinas, theology is not about what *you think*, but “how the truth of things stands.”

As Denys Turner wrote in his ‘portrait’ of Aquinas:

For St. Thomas, theology is a true *discipline*: it has a teachable curriculum; it requires training in specific skills you can acquire and carry about with you; it covers a defined range of issues and texts that are studied over a fixed period; it carries a standard bibliography of authorities; and you can examine students so as to test how good they are at it — you can pass or fail them.

In other words, Theology is like Engineering: there are right answers and wrong answers. In Canada, engineers wear an ‘iron ring’ on their little finger. The story is that the original rings were made of iron from the Quebec Bridge, which collapsed during construction, causing 88 deaths. The ring is a constant reminder that getting things right matters.



APRIL 28, 2024



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will have the Final Eucharist Review today. **REMINDER: Rehearsal is schedule on next Saturday, May 04 at 10:00 am in the church hall. First Holy Communion Mass is on Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 2:30 pm.**



### Pope Francis Prayer Intention for May 2024



**FOR: THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS**  
We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

### Please pray for the newly wed in Christ.

For the month of April 2024:

♥ *Yem Liang Steve Wong & Thanh Xuan Nguyen*

May God's love be the bond that holds your marriage together.

*"And the two shall become one flesh." Mark 10:8*

### Catholic Education Week ... 2024



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### 27<sup>th</sup> National March for Life Theme



Thursday, MAY 9, 2024

Parliament Hill, Ottawa

*"Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are ever before me." (Isaiah 49:15-16).* For full schedule and more details, visit [marchforlife.ca](http://marchforlife.ca)

### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA - 2024

**Monday, May 13, 2024**



Novena of Holy Masses for the Spiritual needs starts **on Saturday, May 4**. Please see bulletin boards & website for schedules. All Fatima devotees and parishioners are invited to join in all these services. **Visit: [www.olfatimasc.archtoronto.org](http://www.olfatimasc.archtoronto.org)**

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The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 2. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate). Thank you for living the Gospel!

### Our Lady of Fatima Parish-Church Bazaar



**St. Vincent de Paul Society  
& Knights of Columbus**



are having Church Bazaar on

**Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am -3:00 pm  
& Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm**



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or Marie-Lou at 647-821-5399**

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