

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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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. @ 6:30 p.m.

Contact: Teresa Casino, maritess8@hotmail.com

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Frank Grech (GK) 416-424-2111

Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.

Legion of Mary - Auxiliary Circle - every 2nd Sun. @ 1:30 p.m.

The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every other Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

Missionaries Family of Christ - every 4th 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 Catholic 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 & Friday 8:00 a.m.
(except First Friday)
Wednesday (Devotion & Rosary, 6:00 p.m.) 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays 9:00 a.m.
First Friday (1 Mass) 7:00 p.m.
(Holy Hour & Devotion 6:00 p.m.)

RECONCILIATION:

All First Friday 5:30 p.m.
All Wednesday 5:30 - 6:50 p.m.
All Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 p.m.
Or call the office

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
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 on line 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."!**



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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Sunday, October 27

- 9:00 a.m. + Maria Oligia Resendes
- 10:30 a.m. +Linda Zanre
- 12:15 p.m. Molly Lule (I) Thanksgiving

Monday, October 28

No Mass

Tuesday, October 29

- 8:00 a.m. +Josip Ivanusevic

Wednesday, October 30

- 7:00 p.m. Tian Joshlene Bastianpillai (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, October 31

- 8:00 a.m. +Christine Potes

Friday, November 01 First Friday

- 7:00 p.m. All Souls listed in Remembrance Book

Saturday, November 02

- 9:00 a.m. De Sequeira & Gonsalves
(Deceased Members Family)
- 4:30 p.m. All Souls listed in Remembrance Book

Thirtieth Sun in OT- October 27, 2024



The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer

when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Rev. Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca or call Fr. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806 or email olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for information.

Next Week Readings

- 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
- A Steward’s Way of Loving
- 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6.2-6**
- 2nd Reading: Hebrews 7.23-28**
- Gospel: Mark 12.28-34**

The First Commandment

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine.

All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name *Purgatory* to this final purification of the elect. — Catechism of the Catholic Church

Traditionally a Catholic funeral Mass is known as a ‘Requiem’ from the first word of the Introit (Entrance Antiphon): *Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis* — ‘Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.’ Some years ago I added this prayer to the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass for the holy souls in Purgatory.

One of the most profound reflections on Purgatory was dictated by St. Catherine of Genoa (1447-1510) —

There is no joy except that in Heaven which compares to the joy of souls in Purgatory. This joy increases day by day because of the way that the love of God corresponds to that of the soul. The impediment to that love is the rust of sin. The more the rust of sin is consumed by fire, the more the soul responds to that love, and its joy increases. The soul is like gold that becomes purer as it is fired. Having come to the point of twenty-four carats, gold cannot be purified any further; and this is what happens to the soul in the fire of God’s love.

St. Catherine understood that there is no gate between Purgatory and Heaven. But Heaven is so pure that the soul prefers to suffer the cleansing pains of Purgatory rather than enter among the saints with any stain of sin remaining.

As for Heaven, whoever wishes to enter does so. All-merciful God stands there with his arms wide open, waiting to receive us into his glory. I also see, however, that the divine essence is so pure and light-filled that the soul that has but the slightest imperfection would rather throw itself into a thousand hells than appear thus before the divine presence. Tongue cannot express nor heart understand the full meaning of Purgatory, which the soul willingly accepts as a mercy. The greatest suffering of the souls in Purgatory is their awareness that there is still something within them that displeases God. These souls fully grasp the meaning of what blocks them on their way to God. As it is being drawn upwards, the soul feels itself melting in the fire of that love of God, for he will not cease until he has brought the soul to perfection.

The Christian doctrine of Purgatory is truly consoling. Despite our present faults, in the end we will all enter into the joy of God’s presence as Saints.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The **Children's Liturgy** meetings will continue this **Sunday, October 27, 2024** during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION classes continue this **Sunday, October 27 & November 10 at 10:30 am in the church hall.** Parents and candidate are ask to attend weekly Mass. Parents are encourage to teach your children the basic prayers. Thank you .



Registration for **CONFIRMATION** is on-going or if you need an application they are available during office hours only. Classes start on **Saturday, January 11, 2025.** Thank you.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2024 – Apr. 2025



This year's Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) are on **Sundays in the church hall from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm.** For more info call the office.

The Program continues this Sunday, October 27, November 03, 10, 17 & 24, 2024

Mass Attendance Survey 2024



The 2nd count of church survey, requested by the Archdiocese [intended to provide an accurate profile of 'Mass Attendance' in all our churches] will continue at all the weekend Masses –**Oct. 26/27.** This involves that a number of ushers and volunteers doing a 'head count' in every section of the church at the start of the homily. Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your co-operation in this exercise.

TREE OF LOVE



Several years ago we installed a 'Tree of Love' next to the outdoor statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Families could add a leaf in memory of a loved one for a suggested donation of \$250. After

many requests, we are now offering to add more leaves to the tree. Funds raised will be used to help with the cost of the roof repairs which are now urgently needed. Mass for those remembered on the Tree of Love will be offered each week during the month of November along with the All Souls' intentions.

All donations toward this fund will be tax deductible.

All Souls Day 2024



†A *second collection* for **All Souls Day** will be held during all Masses of the weekend **October 26 & October 27.**

† On **Friday, November 1st – ALL SAINT DAY** – Masses in our church will be at **7:00 pm.**

November 2nd – ALL SOULS DAY- Masses will be at **9:00 am & 4:30 pm.**

† Other Masses offered for loved ones listed in the *Book of Remembrance* will be celebrated on:

Friday, Nov. 08 at 8:00 am

Sunday, Nov. 10 at 12:15 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8:00 am & Sat, Nov. 30 at 9:00 am

† Please, if possible, enter the names of your loved ones in the *"Book of Remembrance"* before **November 1st.**



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES



ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

- All Souls' Day Mass

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on **Saturday Nov. 2, 2024 at 2 p.m.**

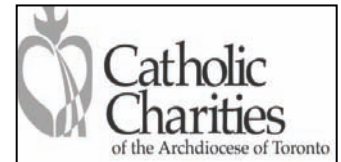
All Masses will be held indoors at the following locations:

Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga, – Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum, Christ the King Cemetery, Markham – Reception Centre, Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill, Holy Family Mausoleum Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge, St. Anthony's Mausoleum , (Liturgy in Italian and English), Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby, Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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Help Us Understand the Needs of Your Community!

Catholic Charities is inviting you to share your invaluable insights to help us understand



your parish/community needs and assist us identify actions that we can all work together. Using the link we have provided below, we ask that you participate in this survey, which we have developed in consultation with the Bishops of each of your regions. The survey will take 10-15 minutes to complete. You will need to do it all in one sitting. Please complete it by **November 1, 2024.** Thank you for your thoughtful participation and the gift of your time. Link to <https://www.research.net/r/CCATUnderstandingNeedsSurvey>

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for Nov. 2024

For Those Who Have Lost A Child.

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

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