

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. @ 6:30 p.m.

Contact: Teresa Casino, maritess8@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus - Second Thursday @ 7:15 p.m.

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."!*



Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Sunday, January 19

- 9:00 a.m. +Magdalena Salazar
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:15 p.m. +Martha Pingol

Monday, January 20

No Mass

Tuesday, January 21

- 8:00 a.m. +Rosario Rodolfo

Wednesday, January 22

- 7:00 pm Joao & Irene De Sequiera

Thursday, January 23

- 8:00 a.m. +Veronica Ball

Friday, January 24

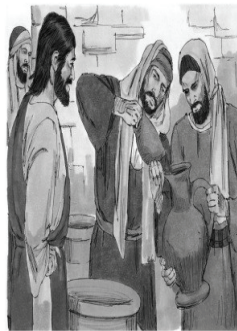
- 8:00 am +Alcestis Lazaro

Saturday, January 25

- 9:00 a.m. +Antoinetta Palladino
- 4:30 p.m. +Mary Cox-Dublanski

2nd Sun in OT – January 19, 2025

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If He is contact



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

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time
Embracing our Uniqueness

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.12-30

Gospel: Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21

Jesus Reads in the Synagogue

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Entropy

The recent failure of the sound system in the Church has reminded me of the law of entropy: all physical systems inevitably tend towards disorder. This is a natural process that can only be reversed by the input of energy. In the case of the sound system the ‘energy’ to restore proper order will be provided by the repairman.

The law of entropy applies to all systems. Untended gardens become choked with weeds. Roofs eventually leak. Personal health, also, is impaired by age, injury, or disease. I have dear friends who are currently dealing with serious illness. Two years ago I lost the hearing in my right ear. I do not blame God; I blame entropy. But, as St. Paul says: “We do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.”

The world as a whole is continually tending towards disorder. The Catechism attributes this to the ‘Fall of Man’, that is, the sin of Adam and Eve that led to their being cast out of Eden. We are living in a ‘fallen’ world; the effects of the Fall are all too obvious. As Cardinal Newman observed:

Consider the world: the disappointments of life, the defeat of good, the success of evil, physical pain, mental anguish, the prevalence of sin, the dreary lack of religion so exactly described in the Apostle’s words, “having no hope and without God in the world,” — all this inflicts upon the mind the sense of a profound mystery, which is absolutely beyond human solution. If there is a God, *since* there is a God, the human race must be implicated in some terrible original calamity. It is out of joint with the purposes of its Creator. Thus the doctrine of what is theologically called ‘original sin’ is almost as certain as that the world exists, and as the existence of God.

The law of entropy also applies to human organizations. The greatest empires, which in their heyday seem destined to last forever, eventually collapsed.

The Church stands as an apparent exception to the rule, as attested by her continued survival for two thousand years. Still, the Church is *semper reformanda* — in constant need of reform — and cases of egregious disorder are evident in the Church both historically and at the present time. There must, therefore, be some vital force at work in the Church that counteracts the tendency to disorder. Entropy can only be reversed by the input of energy to the system: in the case of the Church, this energy has a supernatural origin — the Holy Spirit.

According to a fundamental law of nature, everything put together sooner or later falls apart. It is the duty of man to counter this tendency by the constant work of building and repairing. “The only thing necessary for the triumph of entropy is that good men do nothing.”



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES & CHILDREN'S LITURGY *classes will continue this Sunday's January 19, 26, 2025 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.*



CONFIRMATION 2024-2025

Classes continues Saturday, February 08, 2025 at 1:15 pm. Attendance is **mandatory** for all the meetings listed in the class schedule given out to all with the application forms. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, at our parish or in another church, is also mandatory.



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's January 12, 2025

Chalice – Sponsor a Child



Chalice is coming to Our Lady of Fatima Parish! At the *January 25-26 Masses*, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.

TAX RECEIPTS 2024

Tax receipts records have now been submitted for printing. Mailing is expected to occur beginning on January 24 with a target date of February 10th for all the parishioners to receive their tax receipts in hand. If you have any questions, feel free to email taxreceipt@archtoronto.org. Thank you for your support throughout the year! May God reward you for your generosity.



Jubilee of Youth 2025

Join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! Young Adults (19 - 39) Jul 23 - Aug 5 2025 Rome, Italy youth@archtoronto.org.

Archdiocese of Toronto - Jubilee 2025

The Archdiocese has invited the Jubilee churches to host regional celebrations to focus our attention on the Jubilee Year as a faith community. This occasion will also provide an opportunity to come together on a regional level to celebrate the elevation of Frank Cardinal Leo to the College of Cardinals.



These celebrations will take place as follows (all at 7:00 p.m.) with receptions to follow Mass:

- ◆ Western Region - Wednesday, January 29, 2025
St. Mary's Parish, Brampton
- ◆ Northern Region – Tuesday, February 4, 2025
St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg
- ◆ Eastern Region – Wednesday, February 19, 2025
St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
- ◆ Central Region – Tuesday, February 25, 2025
St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York

We hope to see you there!

2025 World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life-February 2, 2025

"God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

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