

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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3395 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5292

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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, February 02

- 9:00 a.m. People of Parish
- 10:30 a.m. +Ofelia Legaspi
- 12:15 p.m. +Jerry Perumal

Monday, February 03

- 7:00 p.m. +Javillonar Family Deceased Members

Tuesday, February 04

- 8:00 a.m. +Dolores Magtuba

Wednesday, February 05

- 7:00 pm Magdalena & Family (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, February 06

- 8:00 a.m. +Mauricia Dela Vega Prado

First Friday February 07

- 7:00 p.m. +Leila Jones

Saturday, February 8

- 9:00 a.m. +Joan McManus
- 4:30 p.m. + Pedro & Erlinda Echiaverra

Guest post by Br. Andrew Edirimanasinghe:

The Obedience of Mary to the Law and Will of God

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

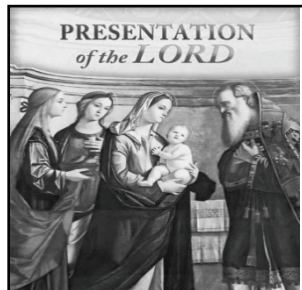
Today, we celebrate the feast of Candlemas, commemorating the obedience of the Blessed Virgin Mary to the Mosaic Law by going up to the Temple in Jerusalem 40 days after childbirth and the presentation of the Lord in the Temple. According to Mosaic Law (Cf Lev. 12), after the birth of a male child, a woman is impure (cannot take part in worship) for seven days, the male child must be circumcised on the eighth day, and the woman must remain home for another 33 days for her blood to be purified. After this, she presents a purification sacrifice: a lamb for a burnt offering of a pigeon or a turtle dove for a sin offering (the poor need only bring two turtle doves). Further, every firstborn male had to be offered to the Lord and redeemed with the offering of five shekels of silver.

Though Our Blessed Mother had given birth, she was not unclean from this event, for she is the *Immaculata*, preserved from the stain of sin by the grace of God from the moment of her conception. Though she was a virgin, in humility, she offered herself to God, uniting herself more closely to Jesus and keeping true to her words to the angel Gabriel, "Let it be done to me according to thy word." Luke's account of the presentation states that Mary and Joseph offered to the Lord the offering of the poor: two turtle doves. Yet, Mary did offer a lamb, the lamb of God, "who takes away the sins of the world." The offering of Mary's firstborn was not so that the child be redeemed but that the spotless lamb of God, Jesus, be offered for the redemption of all. The offering of Jesus does not conclude at the Temple, for it was consummated at Calvary, where the lamb was offered on the altar of the cross for the salvation of the world. Mary, standing at the foot of the cross, watching helplessly as her son suffered the ignominious pains of crucifixion, united herself in her Son's suffering, fulfilling Simeon's prophecy, "A sword will pierce through your own soul also."

Today's feast highlights the significance of Mary in God's salvation plan. God desired Mary to have a vital role in the plan of salvation, and she submitted freely to His Will. At Calvary, our Lord not only offered Himself to us but also His Mother, to guide and be for us a model and path of humility and obedience to God. Just as Mary was with Jesus on the cross, so is she with us, uniting herself to her spiritual children in our times of need. When we find it challenging to humbly submit ourselves to God and trust in His holy will for our lives, let us look to Mary, who trusted that the promises of God would come to fruition, "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us to have recourse to thee!

The Presentation of the Lord – Feb. 02, 2025

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. If God is calling you 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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Using our Gifts for Disciples

1st Reading: Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corianthian 15.1-11

Gospel: Luke 5.1-11

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

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



This Sunday is - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - Candlemas



The traditional blessing of candles will take place on all Masses. A table will be placed in front of the sanctuary and all are encouraged to

bring your own candle or you may purchase them at the back of the church. *Parishioners are encouraged to attend and participate.*

There is a second collection



-THE FUEL OFFERING -

This weekend of **February 01/02** during all Masses. This is a once yearly collection [in the heart of winter] when heating is imperative! *Your generous support is greatly appreciated.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES & CHILDREN'S LITURGY *classes will continue this Sunday's February 02 & 9, 2025 at 10:30 am in the church hall. Parents and candidate are asked to attend weekly Mass.*



Also, RCIA meeting continues this Sunday February 02 & 09, 2025 after the 12:15 pm Mass.

Candidates are asked to go in the church hall (Stage Room).

CONFIRMATION 2024-2025

Classes continues next 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.



TAX RECEIPTS 2024



Tax receipts records have been submitted for printing. Archdiocese are in the process of mailing them out 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.

*"Life with Christ is a wonderful Adventure."
St. John Paul II*

Are you new in the parish?

Please consider registering with us. Visit our website: www.fatimashrine.ca or phone the parish office at 416-757-2806 for more details. Thanks for updating your personal data. *Your support means so much to us!*

Interested in P.A.G. (Pre-Authorized Giving Plan)?



Pick up a flyer with more information about what is the 'pre-authorized giving' plan and how parishioners can participate. Is your personal data as registered in our records updated? Please inform the office (416-757-2806) about any changes in your information... new address or new phone number or added members to your household!

Thank you for your co-operation!

Jubilee of Youth 2025



Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23rd to August 5th, 2025. Please

contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Events and Program Coordinator, Amanda Pereira at avperiera@archtoronto.org.

Designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites in the Archdiocese

The Designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites are:

- St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto
- **Central Region:** St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto
St. Mary's Parish, Toronto (Bathurst Street)
St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York
- **Western Region:** Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke
St. Mary's Parish, Brampton
- **Eastern Region:** St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
St. Gregory the Great Parish, Oshawa
- **Northern Region:** St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg
St. Mary's Parish, Barrie
- Shrine: Martyrs' Shrine, Midland

FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY

Monday February 17, 2025 is No Mass, the office is closed all day.

There is no Confirmation, Children's Liturgy, and First Holy Communion on Sunday, February 16 – because of the holiday weekend. Have a safe and restful break!

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