

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."!**



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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Sunday, March 02

- 9:00 a.m. +Trina Mynes
- 10:30 a.m. +Consolacion & Elias Perez
- 12:15 p.m. Magdalena Lule (I) Thanksgiving

Monday, March 03

7:00 p.m. No Mass

Tuesday, March 04

8:00 a.m. Mary Florence Abdul Azeez & Family (I)

Wednesday, March 05

- 8:00 am Jorvina Family Living & Deceased Members
- 7:00 pm +Xyryl Fernandes

Thursday, March 06

8:00 a.m. Albi Family (I)

First Friday, March 07 + Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm Olive Adams (I)

Saturday, March 08

- 9:00 a.m. Mary Florence Abdul Azeez & Family (I)
- 4:30 p.m. +Larusso Guiseppe

8th Sunday in OT – March 02, 2025



“In the Lord your labour is not in vain”. Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God’s call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, 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

First Sunday of Lent

Giving our First Fruits this Lent

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26.4-10

2nd Reading: Romans 10.8-13

Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

The Temptation of Jesus

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

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The Stations of the Cross

Lord Jesus, as we walk with you along the Way of the Cross, grant that it may not be just a moment of passing piety. Help us to accompany you not only with noble thoughts, but with all our hearts and in every step we take each day of our lives. Help us to resolutely set out on your path. Free us from fear of the Cross, from the fear that our life may escape our grasp unless we cling possessively to everything it has to offer. Help us to unmask all those temptations that promise life, but whose enticements in the end leave us only empty and deluded. Help us to discover the path of love that gives us true life and life in abundance. — Pope Benedict XVI, *Way of the Cross*.

I cannot imagine going through Lent without doing the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening. When we think of that day, two thousand years ago, when Jesus made his way from the Praetorium to Calvary, collapsing under the weight of his cross, do we not wish that we had been there to console him? The Stations of the Cross is a powerful communal prayer in which we unite ourselves to Christ in his suffering. Like the Rosary, it is a beloved devotion of the Christian faithful going back many centuries.

Each year on Good Friday the Pope leads the Way of the Cross in the Roman Colosseum, the site of so many martyrdoms. I especially appreciate the meditations of Pope John Paul II on that day in 2003. In his meditation on the third station, Jesus falls for the first time, he says:

Jesus falls under the weight of the Cross. He does not resort to his superhuman powers or the power of the angels. Those who saw him when he showed his power over human infirmities and even death itself, may well, in their grief, have wondered: "What now? Is he repudiating all that?" The crowd would yell: "He saved others but he cannot save himself." He accepts these provocations for he is determined not to combat them. To be insulted is what he wills. To stagger and fall under the weight of Cross is what he wills. To the end, down to the bitter end, he is faithful to what he had said: "Not my will, but yours be done". God will bring forth the salvation of humanity from Christ's falling beneath the weight of the Cross.

If we are to truly enter into the spirit of Lent, we must accompany Jesus along the *via crucis* and contemplate the mystery of the Cross. As Cardinal Sarah has written:

The Cross is the center of the world, the place where our stability is anchored. Everything else is unstable, changing, and uncertain. Calvary is the highest point in the world, from which we can see everything with new eyes: the eyes of faith and love, the eyes of a child, the eyes of God.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES & CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Classes will continue this Sunday, March 02 in the church hall at 10:30 am. March 9 and March 16 no classes due March break.

Also, RCIA meeting continues this Sunday after the 12:15 pm Mass.

Candidates are asked to go in the church hall (Stage Room). Have a blessed Sunday!

Schedule on Ash Wednesday, Mar. 05, 2025

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

- 8:00 am Holy Mass with the blessings distribution of Ashes
9:30 am St. Joachim School Liturgy and distribution of Ashes
12:30 pm Our Lady of Fatima School Liturgy and distribution of Ashes
6:00 pm-6:45 pm Holy Hour & Confessions
7:00 pm Holy Mass with the blessings & distribution of Ashes

May your Ash Wednesday be a time of reflection and promise.

Every Friday during Lent ...

- 8:00 am Morning Mass
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Every Saturday in Lent ...

- 9:00 am Morning Mass
3:30 pm Reconciliation/Confessions
4:30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass



We adore you, O Christ and we bless you.



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Spring Forward this Sunday March 09, 2025.



MISSIONARY Families of Christ



Defending Faith, Family, and Life Handmaids Central Area - GTA, ON, Canada. Invites all WOMEN to the CHRISTIAN LIFE SEMINAR at OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH on MARCH 8 2025 TO APRIL 5, 2025 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

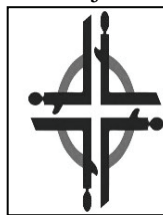
What is the Christian Life Seminar (CLS)?

The Christian Life Seminar (CLS) is an integrated course for participants to lead into a renewed understanding of and response to God's call to them as Christians. The seminar has a total of 6 weekly sessions. CONTACT Elaine Shaver 647-713-1198 shaverelaine61@gmail.com



World Day of Prayer 2025

Please join us for World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice.



The service was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Cook Islands.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 841 Birchmount Road at Eglinton Ave, Scarborough, Ontario. M1k 1R8. Tel. # 416-755-3007 Saturday March 08, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. This service is organized by the WDP Committee of the Cook Islands (Host) Westminster Presbyterian Church. (Participating Churches) Clairlea Park Presbyterian Church, St Bede's Anglican Church, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada 47 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, ON M5S 2C3 Tel: (416) 929-5184 E-mail: wicc@wicc.org; Website: www.wicc.org www.facebook.com/WICCanada

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE UP WEEKEND Saturday, MARCH 15 & Sunday, March 16



Spring cleaning in action! Help us to share with those in need from our community. Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, bedding, drapery, towels, new toys. The truck will be in the church parking lot and open Saturday March 15 and Sunday March 16 before and after masses.. Volunteers will be present to help with the loading. Unfortunately, we cannot accept furniture, dishes, books, videos, CD. Thank you for your support and God Bless.

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