

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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SCHOOLS:

Our Lady of Fatima School

3176 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5252

St. Joachim's School

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, September 14

4:30 pm (vigil)+ Jacinto Martin Sr.

9:00 am + Agnes & Danny Gomes

10:30 am People of the Parish

12:15 pm + Oliver Raeburn

Monday, September 15

7:00 pm + Tony Fernandes

Tuesday, September 16

8:00 am Alex & Cora Parucha (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, September 17

7:00 pm + Isabelita Dela Cruz

Thursday, September 18

8:00 am + Hillary E. Adi

Friday, September 19

8:00 am + Magrette Nwanyinna Adi

Saturday, September 20

9:00 am Korina & Nathan Caller (I)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him... I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. — Philippians 3:8-12

We are all need to read the Bible. I have friends who follow Fr. Mike Schmitz' 'Bible in a year' podcast. I bought my first Bible when I was a teenager and I read it straight through, from the first words of Genesis, "In the beginning," to the final "Amen" of the Book of Revelation.

The Bible, however, is not something that you read once and then put away. Rather, as St. Ephrem says, it is like a spring of water from which you continually draw:

A thirsty man is happy when he is drinking, and he is not discouraged because he cannot exhaust the spring. So let this spring quench your thirst, and not your thirst the spring. For if you can satisfy your thirst without exhausting the spring, then when you thirst again you can drink from it once more.

It is advisable to read through the whole Bible at least once in order to see the full scope of it. Subsequent reading, however, will usually focus on a single book. As you read there will be a certain passage that stands out. It may trigger a positive or a negative reaction — the passage may be challenging or perplexing, or it may be encouraging and illuminating. In either case this is a passage that you need to linger over and meditate upon.

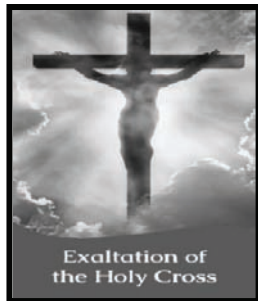
One of the passages in the Bible that I continually return to is the quotation at the top of this column, especially those last words: "Because Christ Jesus has made me his own." I am still trying to grasp the full magnitude of that!

A character in one of my favorite films quotes the poet John Keats: "Beauty is truth, truth beauty —that is all you know on earth, and all you need to know." Neither Keats nor the scriptwriter was thinking about Christ, but Christ is both ultimate Truth and Beauty. As St. Augustine wrote in his *Confessions*:

Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you... You called, you shouted, and you broke through my deafness. You flashed, you shone, and you dispelled my blindness. You breathed your fragrance on me; I drew in breath and now I pant for you. I have tasted you, now I hunger and thirst for more. You touched me, and I burned for your peace.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross– Sept. 14, 2025

God is the Father with the open arms. Who will preach this Good News of reconciliation? Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you contact, Rev. Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or 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 – 21 September 2025

Twenty- Fifth Sunday in OT

Serving the Greater Master

1st Reading: Amos 8.4-7

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2.1-7++

Gospel: Luke 16.1-13 or 16.10-13

The Parable of the Dishonest Manager

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

First School Masses for September 2025



OLF School Mass

Wed. Sept 17, 2025 at 9:00 am

St. Joachim School Mass

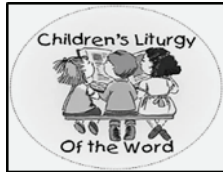
Thurs. Sept 11, 2025 at 9:30 am

Mass of Thanksgiving to Begin the Year!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2025

The **Children's Liturgy** meetings will resume next **Sunday, September 21**, during the **10:30 am Mass**. All children – *from 6 to 10 years old* – are welcome to participate.



Applications for **First Holy Communion** have been sent to the schools (Our Lady of Fatima & St. Joachim School). If you have a child that are **not** in grade 2 you may pick up application at the church office during office hours. A **Parents' Meeting will take place this Thursday, September 18 at 7:00 pm in the Church**

Hall. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 21 at 10:30 am in the church hall. Thank you.

Details regarding **Confirmation Sessions** will be announced with applications at a later date. Please stay tuned for further updates. Thank you.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2025 – Apr. 2026

Anyone interested in *joining* the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to *deepen your faith*? Perhaps you want to *refresh* your catholic doctrine? **Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith.** If you or anyone you know are interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us on (416) 757-2806. Email: olfatimasc@archtoronto.org



September 15- Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows
Mass will be at 7:00 pm

Prayer to the Lady of Sorrow

I beseech you, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the Blessed Virgin Mary, Whose most Holy Soul was pierced in the hour of Your Passion by the sword of sorrow, may intercede for us with Your mercy now and the hour of our death. Amen



The security of a soul that applies itself to prayer lies in its ceasing to be anxious for anything or anybody in its watching itself and pleasing God. -St. Teresa of Jesus

Transitional Diaconate Ordinations 2025

This **Saturday, September 13, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.**, four men will be ordained to the transitional diaconate at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**. Please keep

- **Matteo Bertozzi, Moonjun Alphonse Choi,**
- **Matthew Tulio, and Victor Valdés**

in your prayers as they continue their journey toward the priesthood.

Prayer for Deacons Holy Ordination

Our Father, we come before You with humble hearts, seeking Your divine blessing upon those being ordained as deacons. Fill them with Your Holy Spirit, guide their ministry, and strengthen their resolve to serve others in love and humility.

May they reflect Christ's light in all they do. Amen.

Chalice - 2025 Sponsorship Update



Last year, through Chalice, our parish sponsored Agastin Nimmakaya, a 7-year-old boy from India. This year we are pleased to share an update: Agastin is in Grade 2, enjoys literature, playing games, and running races. He and his family are deeply grateful for the support that helps him with education, health, and a brighter future. Please

keep him and his family in your prayers.

INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2025-2026

Novena 6- Wed. **Sept. 24** at 6:00pm

Novena 7- Wed. **Oct. 22** at 6:00 pm

Novena 8- Wed. **Nov. 26** at 6:00 pm

Novena 9- Wed. **Dec. 17** at 6:00 pm



The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 14, 2026.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn: **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection.

How to create your own legacy

About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code

2. follow this QR link: grco.de/WebSept27

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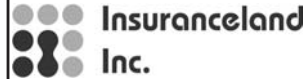
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