

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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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

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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

Sunday, September 28

4:30 pm (vigil) People of the Parish

9:00 am For the Past & Present Benefactors & Volunteers of SVDP

10:30 am For the Past & Present Benefactors & Volunteers of SVDP

12:15 pm For the Past & Present Benefactors & Volunteers of SVDP

Monday, September 29

7:00 pm + Cecilia Krug

Tuesday, September 30

8:00 am + Gaetan & Nancy Dumas

Wednesday, October 1

7:00 pm OCDS

Thursday, October 2

8:00 am + Patricia Hawkins

Friday, October 3

7:00 pm Peter Hawkins & Family

Saturday, October 4

9:00 am + William & Mary Findlay Deceased Family Members

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

How long will you waver between two opinions?

I find it highly unlikely, certainly in the near future, that the church's teaching on sexuality and marriage will change. We have to change attitudes before we even think about changing what the Church says about any given question. [As to female deacons], at the moment, I don't have an intention of changing the teaching of the Church on the topic." — Pope Leo XIV

Pope Leo gave a 'wide-ranging' interview with Crux magazine in which he offered his thoughts on issues of concern to the Catholic faithful. For the most part he was non-committal. For example, with regard to the secret concordat with the Chinese Communist Party, he said, "In the short term, I will continue the policy that the Holy See has followed for some years now. I do not pretend to be wiser or more experienced than my predecessors." While recognizing that Catholics in China "for many years have lived some kind of oppression or difficulty in living their faith freely," he did not want to "take sides."

Regrettably, Pope Leo failed to make clear that changes to doctrine are not *unlikely*, but *impossible*. The Church's teaching on sexuality and ordination, because they are part of the sacred deposit of faith, are not subject to change. The Pope has taken a solemn oath to uphold the deposit of faith, and he has no authority whatsoever to tamper with it. This was stated by the Second Vatican Council:

The teaching office [of the Pope] is not above the word of God, but serves it, teaching only what has been handed on, listening to it devoutly, guarding it scrupulously and explaining it faithfully.

The Pope has a responsibility to be crystal clear on this matter. As Pope Paul VI responded when it was suggested that the Pope was accountable to God alone: "The Pope is also bound to revelation itself, to the fundamental structure of the Church, to the sacraments, to the definitions of earlier councils, and *other obligations too numerous to mention*."

In matters of doctrine there is no middle ground between right and wrong. As the Prophet Elijah exhorted the people of Israel: "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." There can be no compromise with the *Zeitgeist*, the 'spirit of the times.'

As I have said before, and I say again:

Many people mistakenly believe that the Church, led by the Pope, can make changes to Christian doctrine. It simply cannot be done. It cannot be done by any theologian or any group of theologians; it cannot be done by any Bishop or any Synod of Bishops; it cannot be done by any Ecumenical Council; it cannot be done by any Pope. It cannot be done by anyone. It cannot be done at all.

26th Sun in Ordinary Time – September 28, 2025

But if only someone would go to them. Pray for those who are called to 'run the race' as priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. 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 or www.vocationstoronto.ca or call Fr. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806 or email olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for information.**



Next Week Readings – 05 October 2025

Twenty- Seventh Sunday in OT

The Gift of Faith

1st Reading: Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2-4

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1.6-8,13-14

Gospel: Luke 17.5-10

Faith like a Mustard Seed

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

REMINDER: There will be a second collection today for the Needs of the Church in Canada. Thank for your generosity.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2025

The **Children's Liturgy** meetings will continue this **Sunday, September 28**, during the **10:30 am Mass**.

All children – *from 6 to 10 years old* – are welcome to participate.



First Holy Communion 2025

Classes continues this Sunday's, September 28 & Oct. 05 in the church hall.



Parents' Reminder: We kindly encourage you to guide your children in learning the basic prayers, especially the **Act of Contrition**, as part of their growing faith. **Parents and candidate are invited to take part in weekly**

Mass as part of the program. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Confirmation 2025

Applications for the Sacrament of Confirmation have been distributed to the schools. If you did not receive a copy and would like one, please visit the parish office during office hours. 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

Sharelife 2025



Cardinal Leo encourages you to reach out to your neighbour in need "We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness

God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold." Please give generously and wholeheartedly through sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel.

2025 LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain is a peaceful public witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Christians pray for its end and hold signs bearing truths such as "Abortion Kills Children" and "Abortion Hurts Women" at hundreds of locations from coast to coast. Please set aside just one hour on **[October 05, 2025 at 2:00 pm]** to gather together at **[Danforth & Victoria Park]**. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age, background, or experience. This is a special opportunity to provide our neighbours with a much-needed message of love, hope, and mercy. Remember how Our Lord asked His apostles: "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (M k 14:37)



Divina Eloquia – 2025



LEX ORANDI, LEX CREDENDI
THE LAW OF PRAYER AND THE LAW OF BELIEF IN THE EARLY CHURCH
Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Charbonnel Lounge, University of St. Michael's College Elmsley Hall, 81 St. Mary Street, Toronto. Formulating the

axiom *lex orandi, lex credendi*, Prosper of Aquitaine, a follower of St. Augustine of Hippo, contributed to the early Church's understanding of how a community's liturgical practices shape and reflect their beliefs. Monsignor Feichtinger will investigate how much is entailed in this poignant formulation, how Prosper himself explains the axiom, and how we should look at the axiom today.

Speaker: Msgr. Hans Feichtinger : Free

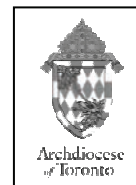
Catholic Cemetery and Funeral Home

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home will be hosting a **Planning Ahead Information Session** on **Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 7:00 PM.**

This evening event will provide valuable information on the benefits of planning ahead for funeral and cemetery needs, including:

- Easing stress for family members
- Locking in today's prices
- Flexible payment options
- Ensuring personal wishes are honoured

Details: *Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home located at 211 Langstaff Rd East, Thornhill.* Refreshments will be served. Complimentary Estate Planning Guide for all attendees
RSVP: 905-889-7467 ext. 1 or by email at holycrossinquiry@cc-fs.ca



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