

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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## SCHOOLS:

### *Our Lady of Fatima School*

3176 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5252

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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, November 23

- 4:30 pm (vigil) Melanie Kisirye (Thanksgiving)
- 9:00 am Florinda Martin (Thanksgiving)
- 10:30 am People of the Parish
- 12:15 pm + Lule Family Deceased Members

## Monday, November 24

No Mass

## Tuesday, November 25

- 8:00 am Lita Lopes (For Healing)

## Wednesday, November 26

- 7:00 pm + All Souls

## Thursday, November 27

- 8:00 am Lita Lopes (For Healing)

## Friday, November 28

- 8:00 am +Jahvai Roy

## Saturday, November 29

- 9:00 am + Tom Dongas

### FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

*On the interpretation of Scripture.*

Protestant churches urge all believers to engage in careful and responsible interpretation of the Bible by observing sound interpretive principles under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and with the help of divinely ordained and gifted elders or pastor-teachers, also taking account of the way other believers have interpreted texts, especially in published commentaries that have interacted with the history of prior interpretations. — ESV Study Bible

Before the era of podcasts I used to listen to the radio while driving. Occasionally I would tune in a Protestant Evangelical preacher. I recall one of them strongly urging his listeners to find a ‘Bible-believing and Bible-preaching Church.’ That is great advice. That is why I am Catholic. Evangelicals and Catholics have this in common: we believe that the Bible is the revealed word of God.

However, if we are to take seriously the Evangelical insistence on *Sola Scriptura*, the Bible *alone*, then what is the use of preachers and Bible commentaries? The answer was given in the 5<sup>th</sup> century by St. Vincent of Lerins:

I have inquired of men of outstanding holiness if there is a rule for distinguishing the true Christian faith from heresy. They say that we ought to hold to the authority of Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church. Someone may ask: ‘Since the canon of Scripture is complete and abundantly sufficient, what need is there for it to be interpreted by the Church?’ The answer is that all men do not interpret it in the same way. Novatian expounds in one way, Sabellius in another, and Arius in another, and so on. Because of this proliferation of error, we need a rule for understanding Scripture. In the Catholic Church we take the greatest care to hold that which has been believed everywhere, always and by all. If some novel heresy tries to infect the Church, we take care to hold to the ancient teaching. Whatever we find to have been held, approved, and taught, not by one or two only, but by all equally and with one consent, openly, frequently, and persistently, this we believe without the slightest hesitation.

The editors of the ESV Study Bible say that we should consult ‘divinely ordained and gifted elders and pastor-teachers.’ That is exactly what Catholics do. We consult, first of all, those who were taught directly by the Apostles: Ignatius of Antioch, Polycarp, and Clement. We consult their successors, Justin Martyr and Irenaeus. We consult Athanasius and John Chrysostom. We consult Jerome, Augustine and Vincent of Lerins. Their faith is our faith. As our newest Doctor of the Church, Cardinal Newman said, “Such as they were, we are.”

### 34<sup>th</sup> Sun in OT – Christ the King Nov. 23, 2025



“Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.” Can you lead others to make this request of our Lord and King? Give your life to Jesus and others are sure to hear, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968-0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

/www.vocationstoronto.ca or call Rev. A. Glass at 416-727-2806 or email at [olfatimasc@archtoronto.org](mailto:olfatimasc@archtoronto.org).

### Next Week Readings – 30 November 2025

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: **Isiah 2.1-5**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: **Roman 12.11-14**

Gospel: **Matthew 24:37-44**

“Before the flood they were eating and drinking..”

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

### St. Vincent de Paul Raffle Winners

Are the following tickets #

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4265070, 4264954, 4265170, 4264968,

4265159. Congratulations to all the winners.

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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2025**

The Children's Liturgy meetings will continue this *Sunday, November 30*, 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' November 30 & December 07 in the church hall at 10:30 am. December 14-January 4 Christmas break.*

**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: Nov. 2025 – Apr. 2026**



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program – a journey of prayer, reflection and instruction for anyone wishing to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith – classes continues in our parish this **Sunday, November 30, 2025**

**at 1:30 pm after the 12:15 pm Mass. Thank you**

**Faithful Departed - Book of Remembrance 2025**

† Final Mass for the *Book of Remembrance* will be celebrated on: **Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 7:00 pm**

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



**DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2026**



The boxes with your donation envelopes for 2026 are being prepared for pick up. They will be sorted in trays in numerical order.

Registered parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any changes to their personal data. New parishioners are encouraged to register with us and get their own box number so that contributions will be acknowledged by the issuing of a tax receipt at the end of the year. Updated information is always a great help to the office.

**REJOICE! St. Michael's Choir School Christmas Concert at Massey Hall**



*Saturday, December 13 at 7:00 PM*

This year's Christmas concert, REJOICE!: Jubilee Celebration - 60 Years at Massey Hall, marks a sacred milestone in the life of St. Michael's Choir School and our wider community. As we celebrate six decades of music in this historic space, we embrace the spirit of the Jubilee Year - a time of hope, renewal, and joy in Christ's birth. Let this evening be a song of gratitude for the past, a proclamation of joy in the present, and a prayerful step into the future. Tickets are now available at [www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com). *Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT.* For ticket information, please call the Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.

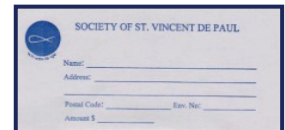
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2025**

The KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS have already placed containers in the church for the annual *SOCK DRIVE*. The campaign goes on through Advent, Christmas and until the beginning of the New Year. These are given to needy persons living on the streets or in Shelters. Also, *RAFFLE TICKETS* in an artistic *NATIVITY DISPLAY* [for fundraising purposes] will be also on sale during these weekends. This will be drawn on Sunday, Dec. 21 at the end of the Mass. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Thank your for generous support.



**Annual Christmas Collection Is on weekend of December 06/07**

The members of Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Our Lady of Fatima Church would like to thank you in advance and appeal for your generous support of this year's Christmas donation. Thanks to your help we are able as a parish to assist many Neighbors in Need and get them through a difficult time. There is a second offering envelope in your boxes on December 3. We are so grateful for ongoing support and prayers. Let us together make this time a blessed and happy time for all. ***We count on your support. May the grace of God be with you all.***



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