

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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St. Vincent de Paul Society (Helpline) 416-757-9561

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Lucia Dos Santos Community - every 3rd Tues. @ 6:30 p.m.

Contact: Teresa Casino, maritess8@hotmail.com

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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, November 30

4:30 pm (vigil) + Steve Rigo'
 9:00 am + Aurelio Quindipan
 10:30 am People of the Parish
 12:15 pm + Trentadue & Caporusso Family Dec. Mem.

Monday, December 1

No Mass

Tuesday, December 2

8:00 am + Tony Hurley

Wednesday, December 3

7:00 pm Madeleine Madjou Epse Djanoue (I)

Thursday, December 4

8:00 am Lita Lopes (I)

Friday, December 5

7:00 pm Amuri Family (Thanksgiving)

Saturday, December 6

9:00 am + Tom Dongas

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The rest of the story.

The knot of Eve's disobedience was undone by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, the virgin Mary set free through faith. Just as the human race fell into bondage to death by means of a virgin, so it was rescued by a virgin. — St. Irenaeus

Evangelical Protestants have a problem with Mary. Let me rephrase that: Mary is a problem for Evangelicals. They really do not know what to make of her. When they think of her at all they depict her as an ordinary village girl chosen, almost at random, to be a kind of 'surrogate mother' or 'rent-a-womb.' According to the *Dictionary of the Later New Testament* by InterVarsity Press:

Early Christians devoted their energies to proclaiming Christ and his cross. Mary is essentially acknowledged as one of God's instruments in carrying out his plan of salvation. Despite Mary's unique relationship with Jesus, he is not her son but the Son of God. The identification of Mary as an exalted figure in the church belongs to a later development.

Certainly, when the Apostles set out on their missionary journeys they focused on the *kerygma* (from Greek *keryx*, herald), the initial proclamation of the Gospel. As St. Paul says to the Corinthians: "For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures." This initial proclamation of Christ is the necessary foundation and beginning of our faith. It is 'of first importance', but it is not the fullness of the faith.

Once a person is convinced that Christ is God incarnate, other questions will naturally arise. It is then appropriate to consider other aspects of the faith, including the unique role of Mary, whom Gabriel greeted as *kecharitomene* (from Greek *charis*, grace), endued with grace; who was told by Simeon, "And a sword shall pierce your own soul too"; who, at the wedding at Cana, instructed the servants, "Do whatever he tells you"; who stood at the foot of the Cross; whom the Book of Revelation reveals as "a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars."

We are living in a culture where most of our neighbors are strangers to Christ. Evangelicals love the Lord and they love the Bible. St. Paul said, "In every way Christ is proclaimed and in that I rejoice." The initial proclamation, the *kerygma*, is necessary but evangelization cannot stop there. Understanding the role of Mary is not a 'later development,' it is 'the rest of the story.'

1st Sunday of Advent – November 30, 2025



The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "*particular task*" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, a

religious or a 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 Rev. A. Glass at 416-727-2806 or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org.

Next Week Readings – 07 December 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

With righteousness he shall judge the poor

1st Reading: Isaiah 11.1-10

2nd Reading: Romans 15.4-9

Gospel: Matthew 3.1-12

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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[for fundraising purposes] will be on sale during these weekends. This will be drawn on Sunday, Dec. 21 at the end of the 12:15 pm Mass. Thank you for your generous support.





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.

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.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 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**

Pope Prayer Intention for December 2025

For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

of the Blessed Virgin Mary Monday, December 08, 2025

6:00 pm Holy Hour & Rosary
7:00 pm Evening Mass

Inspired by the Purity of Mary

Lord Jesus, Inspire our hearts with the purity of Mary, that we may seek to reflect her grace and devotion in our



lives. Help us to embrace humility and love, guiding us away from temptation and towards righteousness. May her example lead us closer to You, filling us with the strength to live in holiness and to serve others with compassion. Amen

The Lord's Flock International Spirit Empowerment Seminar

December 06, 2025 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Christmas is just around the corner- a season of giving and love! Over 2000 years ago, God gave us the greatest gift of all-life through Christ (Ephesians 2-5)

And Jesus promised us even more saying: "Then I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you". (John 14:16)

Experience the presence and gifts of the Holy Spirit in this seminar, and be blessed beyond measure this Christmas season!



Speakers: Rev. Fr. Kenneth Loo CC, Rev. Fr. John Egbert Dumali, Jennifer Cauchi & Pilar Acosta

Contact Persons: Jun & Cynthia Silva 416-797-7071
Ferdinand Acosta 647-285-7071, Gigi Gaceta 416-317-9599

Our Lady of Fatima School
Will have Artisan Christmas Market
On December 07, 2025 from
11:00 am to 4:00 pm
3176 St. Clair Ave. East
40+ Vendor, Kids' Crafts, Door Prizes,
Raffle Prizes.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Presents: Rejoice, be glad ...God is with us!

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Monday, December 15 to Tuesday
December 23, 2025



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