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3176 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5252

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3395 St. Clair Avenue East 416-393-5292

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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

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, January 25

4:30 pm (vigil) People of the Parish

9:00 am + Agnes & Danny Gomes

10:30 am Melissa & Dindo Legaspi (Thanksgiving)

12:15 pm + Elena Nelmidia Valdez

Monday, January 26

No Mass

Tuesday, January 27

8:00 am Fe Pingol (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, January 28

7:00 pm + Allan Mills

Thursday, January 29

8:00 am + Mike Morra

Friday, January 30

8:00 am Aurora Friginal (Thanksgiving)

Saturday, January 31

9:00 am + Russ Coleman

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

De gustibus non est disputandum.

Particular law remaining in force, the use of Latin is to be preserved in the Latin [i.e., Roman Catholic] Rites. In Masses which are celebrated with the people, a suitable place may be allotted to their mother tongue. Nevertheless steps should be taken so that the faithful may also be able to say or to sing together in Latin those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass which pertain to them. — *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, Second Vatican Council.

The title of this column says: “There is no accounting for tastes.” Some people do not like the use of Latin in the celebration of the Eucharist. I can understand that. But it is a matter of taste, not of principle. There is a mistaken belief that the use of Latin is forbidden or discouraged — nothing is further from the truth.

Pope Benedict XVI, in *Sacramentum Caritatis* (2007), citing the Second Vatican Council (above), stated:

I ask that future priests, from their time in the seminary, receive the preparation needed to understand and to celebrate Mass in Latin, and also to use Latin texts and execute Gregorian chant; nor should we forget that the faithful can be taught to recite the more common prayers in Latin, and also to sing parts of the liturgy to Gregorian chant.

Furthermore, the current *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* specifically says:

It is desirable that the faithful know how to sing together at least some parts of the Ordinary of the Mass in Latin.

Moreover, the Latin chants are actually included in the English text of Missal. And as I have pointed out many times, the *Kyrie* is not Latin but Greek, and it is Greek for a reason — to connect us with the Greek liturgy celebrated in Jerusalem. The *Kyrie*, if it is to retain its meaning, *must be in Greek* and it *must be sung*! This is not a matter of taste; it is fundamental to its place in the liturgy.

The experts who set about the reform of the Liturgy after Vatican II determined that the *Kyrie*, *Gloria*, *Sanctus*, etc., could not be altered in any way because of the vast wealth of music associated with them, including the Gregorian *Missa de Angelis*, the glorious *Missa Papae Marcelli* of Palestrina, and Mozart's *Great Mass in C Minor*. Vatican II declared that “the musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art,” and that “the treasure of sacred music is to be preserved and fostered with great care.”

There is no need to apologize for the use of Latin in our celebration of the Eucharist. We are Latin Rite Catholics. Our liturgical language is Latin. But, be that as it may, some people simply do not like Latin.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25 January 2026



“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416

968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org or www.vocationstoronto.ca or call Rev. A. Glass at 416-727-2806 or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org.

Next Week Readings – 01 February 2026

Fourth Sunday in OT

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

1st Reading: Zephaniah 2.3, 3.12-13

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.26-31

Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12

The Sermon on the Mount (Beatitudes)

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

There is a second collection - **THE FUEL OFFERING**



This weekend of **January 24/25** during all Masses. This is a once yearly collection [in the heart of winter] when heating is imperative!

Your generous support is greatly appreciated.



First Holy Communion & Children's Liturgy

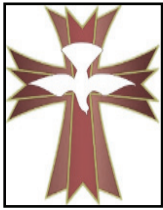


Classes will continue this *Sunday January 25 & February 01, 08, 2026 in the church hall at 10:30 am. Parents are encouraged to attend weekly Mass.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will also continue their meetings this *Sunday, January 25*, during the **10:30 am Mass**. All children – *from 6 to 10 years old* – are welcome to participate.



Confirmation 2025-2026



Classes continues on Saturday, February 07, 2026 at 1:15 pm. Attendance is **mandatory** for all the meetings listed in the class schedule given out to all with the application forms. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, at our parish or in another church, is also mandatory.

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, January 25 2026 at 1:30 pm after the 12:15 pm Mass. Thank you**



TAX RECEIPTS 2025



Tax receipts records have been submitted for printing. Archdiocese are in the process of mailing them out with a target date of February 6th for all the parishioners to receive their tax receipts in hand. If you have any questions, feel free to email taxreceipt@archtoronto.org. Thank

you for your support throughout the year! May God reward you for your generosity.

Baptism Preparation for January 2026



A meeting for parents and godparents in preparation for baptism, will take place *on Friday, Janaury 30, 2026 at 6:00 pm* in the church hall (stage room). Baptism Celebration will be on *Saturday, February 07, 2026 at 10:30 am.*

February 2026 – Pope Intention

For Children With Incurable Diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

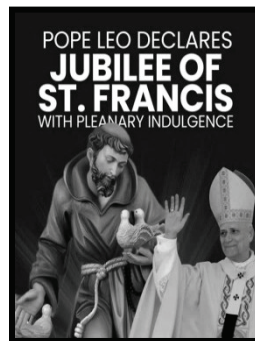


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POPE LEO DECLARES JUBILEE OF SAINT FRANCIS WITH PLENARY INDULGENCE



To mark the 800th anniversary of the death of Saint Francis of Assisi (October 3, 1226), the Church has proclaimed a Special Year of Saint Francis from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027. This Jubilee Year continues the grace of the recently concluded Ordinary Jubilee and invites all the faithful to live as pilgrims of hope, inspired by the life of Saint Francis—his humility,

poverty, mercy, and love for Christ and peace.

During the Jubilee, the Apostolic Penitentiary, by the will of the Holy Father, grants a Plenary Indulgence under the usual conditions: sacramental confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. This indulgence may also be offered for the souls in Purgatory. The Plenary Indulgence is granted to members of the Franciscan Family and all the faithful who take part in the Jubilee by visiting a Franciscan church or any place connected to Saint Francis anywhere in the world, spending time in prayer or reflection, and praying for charity, harmony, and peace among peoples. The prayers conclude with the Our Father, the Creed, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Clare, and all the Saints of the Franciscan Family.

The elderly, the sick, those confined to their homes, and caregivers may also receive the Plenary Indulgence by spiritually joining the Jubilee celebrations and offering their prayers and sufferings to God, intending to fulfill the usual conditions when possible. This Jubilee of Saint Francis is a time of grace, calling all Christians to grow in holiness, mercy, and peace by following the Gospel way lived by the Poverello of Assisi.

World Interfaith Harmony Week – February 1 to 7, 2026

One Voice - Multifaith Women Working to End Violence Against Women Sunday, February 1, 2026, 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. EST Darchei Noam Congregation, 864 Sheppard Ave. West Registration Required. To view poster and to register, click bit.ly/4p2un7q. This event and is open to faith leaders and ministry leaders only.

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