

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.

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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, May 17

- 4:30 pm (vigil)+Ronald Norman Henry
- 9:00 am People of the Parish
- 10:30 am + Stella de Jesus
- 12:15 pm + Grace Sotto Baylon & Family

Monday, May 18

No Mass

Tuesday, May 19

- 8:00 am + Tina Antao

Wednesday, May 20

- 7:00 pm Carvalho Family (Thanksgiving)

Thursday, May 21

- 8:00 am + Juana Bayos

Friday, May 22

- 8:00 am + Cecilia Lule

Saturday, May 23

- 9:00 am + Patrick Gerard Ward

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Ipse dixit — on the use of authority

In disputation the force of reason is to be sought rather than the voice of authority. Indeed, the authority of the teacher is often a disadvantage to the student as it impedes his own judgment. I could never approve the custom of the disciples of Pythagoras, who, when they affirmed anything in disputation, and were asked why it was so, would say: "*Ipse dixit* — he himself has said it." His authority was to prevail even without argument or reason. — Cicero, *De natura deorum*

St. Thomas Aquinas, in his great work, the *Summa Theologiae*, states that the 'argument from authority' is the weakest form of argument. For good measure, he quotes St. Augustine: "The books of Scripture are without error; but as to other authors, regardless of their holiness and learning, I do not consider everything in their works to be true merely on account of their having thus thought and written."

Unlike modern theologians who make a name for themselves by offering 'new paradigms' or 'fresh insights,' the great Saints and Doctors of the Church are valued because they are the voice of tradition. We do not consult them as oracles, but as witnesses to the Catholic faith.

It would also be wrong to ascribe to any Pope a semi-divine status or to assume that he has a direct line to the Holy Spirit. When Cardinal Robert Prevost took the name Leo XIV he was clothed with a white cassock but he was not clothed with wisdom from on high. He is still the same person with the same gifts and flaws. His responsibilities however are much greater. He must now weigh his words carefully, because he is no longer Fr. Bob, but Pope Leo.

Authority in the Church resides in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. Everything else is only opinion, even if stated by a Doctor of the Church or a Pope. The Pope, like every priest, has taken a solemn vow to "hold fast to the deposit of faith in its entirety; to faithfully hand it on and expound it, and avoid any teachings opposed to it."

As Pope Benedict said:

The Pope must not proclaim his own ideas, but rather constantly bind himself and the Church to obedience to God's Word, in the face of every attempt to adapt it or water it down, and every form of opportunism. His power is not above, but at the service of the Word of God. It is incumbent upon him to ensure that this Word continues to be present in its greatness and to resound in its purity.

Jesus said, "You are not to be called rabbi (teacher), for you have one teacher, and you are all brothers." In this short column I have quoted Cicero, Aquinas, Augustine and Pope Benedict. I do not cite them as *ipse dixit* authorities, but as fellow disciples who have progressed further than I have down the road of wisdom.

The Ascension of the Lord – 17 May 2026

Jesus said, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." If you are discerning God's call for the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life,, contact 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 – 10 May 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 8.5-8, 14-17

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3.15-18

Gospel: John 14.15-21

The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

Tomorrow, Monday – May 18th – is ...



Have a pleasant holiday with your family!

Daily Mass is at 9.00 am – Office closed all day



Volunteer Training 2026

Next Saturday **May 23, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.** in the church, the Volunteer Screening Committee is holding training session for *all new volunteers*, particularly those who missed previous sessions or who have recently joined a ministry. For more information, email Josephine Ortega at jortega@archtoronto.org Or <https://olfatimasc.archtoronto.org/en/our-community/volunteering/volunteer-submissions/> or call the parish office c/o Aurora at 416-757-2806



INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2026

- Novena 2- Wed. **May 27** at 6:00 pm
- Novena 3- Wed. **Jun. 24** at 6:00 pm
- Novena 4- Wed. **Jul. 22** at 6:00 pm
- Novena 5- Wed. **Aug. 26** at 6:00 pm
- Novena 6- Wed. **Sept. 23** at 6:00pm
- Novena 7 -Wed. **Oct. 28** at 6:00 pm



The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 13, 2027 at 6:00 pm.

ShareLife 2026



*The Ascension of the Lord
World Day of Social Communications
May 31, 2026 3rd/Final Collection*

Through ShareLife, you support human connection On the 60th World Day of Social Communication, we are invited to pause and connect with each other—for the Church, for the world, and for the future we are helping to shape together. In this moment, one truth remains clear: the Church endures because of the strength and love of parishioners like you. Your support of ShareLife supports human connection across the world, making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in our community and beyond—funding more than 40 agencies, which help children and youth, families in crisis, seniors, immigrants and refugees, people with special needs, international development and missions, and vocations. The third ShareLife Sunday is May 31. Thus far we have raised [\$23,964.20] toward our goal of [\$45,000.00]. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

World Communications Day 17 May 2026

May advances in communications technology and artificial intelligence assist us so that we may all grow together and share our common humanity? May social media companies seek to work together and support parents and families in protecting children and the most vulnerable from harm.

A Day With Mary 2026

You are invited to a “Day With Mary” taking place on *Saturday, May 30, 2026* at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children’s catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. Registration will open from **April 8 until May 18**: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.



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bring your family and friends!

May 30th (Vigil Mass) and 31st (All Sunday Masses)

All proceeds and donations from this event will go to support the ongoing formation and needs of our altar server ministry.

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