

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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3395 St. Clair Avenue East

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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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416-424-2111

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The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every other Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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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, August 9

4:30 pm (vigil) + Carlos Rodriguez
 9:00 am People of the Parish
 10:30 am + Gabrielpillai Emmanuel
 12:15 pm + Vito Caporusso Jr.

Monday, August 10 No Mass

Tuesday, August 11

8:00 am + Gloria Bayon

Wednesday, August 12

7:00 pm Gregory & Tanya Alvares (Intention)

Thursday, August 13

8:00 am Sharmani Molligoda (Thanksgiving)

Friday, August 14

8:00 am + Evangeline Arroyo

Saturday, August 15

9:00 am + Margret M. Callahan

Sunday, August 16

4:30 pm (vigil) + Anne Deang
 9:00 am + Mathew & Rosita Fernandes
 10:30 am + Muthuthamby Kulasingham
 12:15 pm People of the Parish

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Home at last.

Well the danger on the rocks is surely past / Still I remain tied to the mast / Could it be that I have found my home at last / Home at last. — Steely Dan, *Aja*.

I have no plans to see *The Odyssey*, the latest movie from director Christopher Nolan. Most reviews of the film are glowing, despite the woke elements, e.g., black and Asian actors playing Greeks, and a ‘trans’ actor thrown in for good measure. However, even the most positive reviews point out that the theme of the film is not the same as that of the epic poem. One reviewer writes: “Although the names, voyage, monsters, and spectacles remain, Nolan has cut the moral heart out of Homer’s timeless classic.”

Homer’s *Odyssey* is the story of the Greek warrior-king Odysseus returning from the Trojan War. The central theme can be expressed by the single Greek word *nostos*, which means ‘homecoming.’ It is from this word that we get ‘nostalgia,’ a longing for home. On his return from Troy, Odysseus is shipwrecked on the island of the goddess Calypso, who provides him with every conceivable pleasure and promises him immortality. Nevertheless, every day “he sits on the shore, weeping, looking out over the barren sea.” This key theme of home-sickness is evidently absent from the film; instead, Odysseus experiences a Bourne-like amnesia, forgetting who he is and where he belongs.

The main incidents in the poem are vaguely familiar to most people: the Trojan horse; the one-eyed cyclops; the Sirens whose singing irresistibly lures sailors to their death. (To satisfy his curiosity Odysseus has his men plug their ears with wax and tie him firmly to the mast.) Compared to the few who have read the poem, millions will see the film.

The *Odyssey* is not merely an ancient tale. It is an essential piece of our common cultural heritage. Up until the end of the 19th century higher education consisted almost solely of the study the Bible and of Greek and Latin classical literature. As Pope Benedict said in his important ‘Regensburg Lecture’: “The convergence of Biblical faith and Greek thought was of decisive importance not only for the history of religion, but also for the history of the world. This convergence, with the addition of the Roman heritage, created Europe.”

Nolan’s *Odyssey* may be ‘a breathtaking epic’ (!), but it is, as one reviewer noted, “Nolan’s *Odyssey*, not Homer’s.” It is a reflection of our modern culture, dealing with modern concerns. Homer’s *Odyssey* is not the creation of a single person, but a story told and retold and reshaped in the retelling. Its theme is universal. At its heart is that longing that we all feel — *nostos*, a return home — though for me, as for many, that home now exists only in memories. In another sense, we are all on a journey towards home and a joyful reunion. Home at last.

19th Sun of OT – 09 August 2026

“Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” We can sometimes be afraid of God’s call to priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. Get hold of yourselves! If God is calling you contact Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org



www.vocationstoronto.ca or call Rev. Fr. A. Glass at 416-727-2806 or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org.

Next Week Readings – 16 August 2026

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

2nd Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 (118)

Christ heals the daughter of the woman of Canaan

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

Pope Monthly Intention for August 2026



For Evangelization in the City
 Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, August 18
8:00 am Michael Debono

Wednesday, August 19
7:00 pm + Agnes & Danny Gomes

Thursday, August 20
8:00 am + Luceia M. Belgrave

Friday, August 21
8:00 am Olive Adams (I)

Saturday, August 22
9:00 am Rupert & Aurora Friginal (Thanksgiving)

Sunday, August 23
4:30 pm (vigil)+ Fermin Llapitan

9:00 am People of the Parish

10:30 am Lloyd & Lorraine Critch (Thanksgiving)

12:15 pm +Sonia Ramos

Tuesday, August 25
8:00 am Sharmani Molligoda (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, August 26
7:00 pm + James Glass

Thursday, August 27
8:00 am + Primo Antao

Friday, August 28
8:00 am Fr. Glass Intentions

Saturday, August 29
9:00 am +Concesa Gacoscosim

Sunday, August 30
4:30 pm (vigil) Gene Anthony Ortega (Thanksgiving)

9:00 am + Rufino & Silvina Dalisay

10:30 am People of the Parish

12:15 pm +Assunta Debono & Family

Monday, August 31 No Mass

Tuesday, September 1
8:00 am +Simuoko Matael

Wednesday, September 2
7:00 pm +Joel Lorenzo San Juan

Thursday, September 3
8:00 am Rajinie Thevakumar (Thanksgiving)

Friday, September 4
7:00 pm +Bruno Silano

Saturday, September 5
9:00 am +Patrick Tobin

Next Week Readings – 23 August 2026

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 22.15,19-23

2nd Reading: Romans 11.33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16.13-20

“Who do you say that I am”

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic

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

ROOF PROJECT

PHASE 1: SUMMER 2026

Construction Contract: \$ 360,956

Other Fees: 78,521

Projected Cost: \$ 439,477

PHASE 2: SUMMER 2027

Construction Estimate: \$ 400,000

Other Fees: 86,320

Projected Cost: \$ 486,320

Total Cost Phase 1 & 2: \$ 925,797

ROOF FUND CAMPAIGN

Campaign Goal: \$400,000

Contributions to date

April 26 \$ 386

May 3 2,235

May 10 11,215

May 17 4,843

May 24 3,288

May 31 6,469

June 7 9,270

June 14 6,120

June 21 1,625

June 28 3,995

July 5 8,982

July 12 5,825

July 19 2575

July 26 9,330

Total to date: \$ 76,158

Church Bazaar - Our Lady of Fatima Parish

are having Church Bazaar on



Saturday, Aug. 22nd 10:00 am -3:00 pm &

Sunday, Aug. 23rd 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Donations & Volunteers Needed

Please contact: Aurora 416-757-2806

or Betty Debono 647-401-3175.

Volunteer will be available

Sat. Aug 14th & Sun. Aug 15th & Wed. Aug. 19,

Thurs. Aug.20th

Donations Needed

Housewares, China Glassware, Small working Electronics, Sporting Goods, Decorative & Holiday Items, Religious Icons, Articles Jewellery, Records CD's, DVD's, Kids toys, Puzzle games, Handmade Crafts: Crochet Baby Outfits/Blankets, Scarves, and Baked Goods such Cakes, Muffins, Pies, Jam Pickles etc... 50/50 Draw with 3 prizes.

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