

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 18, 2025



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025 (5:00 PM)

For the People of the Parish



SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Alan Sr & †Alan Jr Del Puerto

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025 (11:00 AM)

†Bambina D'Orazio and †Gilda Di Martino

MONDAY, 19 2025

NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025 (7:00 PM)

†Rosa & Orlando Russo

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Karishma Iyer and Special intentions of Barbara Pelc, Marilyn Fernandes and Denise & Cesare Dalle Carbonare

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Deceased members of the Hutny & Kopystynski families

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Pascalia Rodrigues

SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Gregorio Cuevas and Special intentions of Barbara Pelc and family

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wed & Thurs - 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Friday - 9:30 am to 12:00 noon

DAILY DEVOTIONS

(after Mass)

Tuesday – Sts. Anne & Joachim

Wed. – Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday - St. Jude

Friday – Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday – St. Michael

Confessions: Sat. 9:30 to 10:30 am

Support Your Parish:

1. Drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office.
2. Contribute to your parish offertory by credit card. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to your parish's offertory or other special funds.
3. Contribute through Pre-Authorized giving (PAG). You can obtain a form from the parish office or [click here](#) to download the form.
4. You can contribute to the offertory via on-line banking. Email campaign@archtoronto.org

PASTOR'S BLOG

Back from Retreat

I returned from retreat on Friday afternoon, and by looking back on the week, I can with firm resolve say it was definitely needed. Just to get away from the day to day of the parish and steep myself into spiritual exercises was refreshing. And with the facilitator of the retreat someone that I have heard speak before, Fr Timothy Gallagher, the material presented provided a good reminder on how to live the discerning life in the day to day of the parish. Many thanks for all your prayers and well wishes.

Parish Mission

As I noted in last week's write up and in the announcements after communion, I have invited Fr Allan MacDonald, CC to provide us with a unique parish mission: A series of Masses that will prepare us for Pentecost - Unlock the Door. Here is the schedule:



PARISH MISSION
Unlock the Door
WITH FR. ALLAN MACDONALD, CC

FULL SCHEDULE:

DAY 1: THURSDAY, MAY 29 TH (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)	DAY 2: FRIDAY, MAY 30 TH (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)
DAY 3: SATURDAY, MAY 31 ST (9AM MASS, 10AM CONFESSIONS)	DAY 4: WEEKEND OF MAY 31 ST /JUNE 1 ST SATURDAY - 5PM MASS SUNDAY - 9AM AND 11AM MASS
DAY 5: MONDAY, JUNE 2 ND (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)	DAY 6: TUESDAY, JUNE 3 RD (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)
DAY 7: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 TH (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)	DAY 8: THURSDAY, JUNE 5 TH (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)
DAY 9: FRIDAY, JUNE 6 TH (6PM CONFESSIONS, 7PM MASS, 8PM CONFESSIONS)	DAY 10: SATURDAY, JUNE 7 TH (9AM MASS, 10AM CONFESSIONS)

CONCLUSION OF THE MISSION:

SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH - 5PM CONFIRMATION MASS WITH
BISHOP IVAN CAMILLERI

SUNDAY JUNE 8TH - 9AM MASS AND 11AM MASS

Please note that there will be no 9 am Masses during this time, with the exception of Saturday May 31st and Saturday June 7th.

And it is always good to know some background information about the mission preacher, so Fr Allan sent me a short biography:

Fr. Allan is the eldest of 6 children. After attending local elementary and secondary schools in Glengarry, County, ON, he went to St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, NS, graduating in 1989. For the next 5 years he studied at St. Peter's Seminary in London, ON and was ordained to the priesthood on May 14, 1994 for the former diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall. In 2001 he discerned a call to join the Society of the Companions of the Cross. Since then, he has served as a member of the Community Formation Team, Parish Priest, University Chaplain, Vocations Director, and General Superior of the Community. For the last 4 years he's been an itinerant preacher both in person (Missions, Retreats, etc.) and online with his YouTube ministry. He has been assigned as the "3rd priest" (part time) at St. Maurice Parish in Ottawa. He enjoys coffee, running, going to the gym, reading an actual newspaper and (proving that he is a man of profound faith & hope) cheers for Everton FC of the English Premier League.

You can learn more about him and follow him online at www.padreamac.com

We look forward to having Fr Allan with us over these grace filled days. Please join me in praying for him, that he might lead our parish community into a deeper relationship with Jesus as His disciples through a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit into our hearts.

Fr Michael

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**Thus far we have raised \$36,917 (33.6%)
toward our goal of \$110,000**

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Please make cheques payable to St. Mary Star of the Sea

Thank you for your generosity!

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SSVP HELPLINE:

For assistance please call 647-628-2058

Leave your name and a brief message and someone will get back to you at the earliest.

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS

Envelopes for the Pope's Pastoral Works Collection next weekend, May 24/25, 2025 are available at all the exits of the Church. Please pick up an envelope on your way out. Thank you for your generosity.

LEGION OF MARY BOOK BORROW

The Legion of Mary will have their book borrow next Sunday, May 25, 2025 after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Kindly return any books you may have previously borrowed. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

TABERNACLE

Special intentions of Franca Racco
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SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Special intentions of Marilyn Fernandes
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BLESSED MOTHER

Special intentions of Barbara Pelc and family
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ST. JOSEPH

In thanksgiving

ST. ANNE

For the souls in purgatory

ST. JUDE

In thanksgiving

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