

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 26, 2025



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025 (5:00 PM)

†Alberto & Stella Severin



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025 (9:00 AM)

For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025 (11:00 AM)

Special intentions of Daniela Trimboli

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025

NO MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025 (7:00 PM)

†Barun Chatterjee

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†Don Domenico Fietta and †Carolina Manuel Costanzo

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025 (9:00 AM)

Special intentions of Shantie Toolsie

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025 (9:00 AM)

†John David Keyser

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025 (9:00 AM)

Special intentions of Shantie Toolsie, †John Rodrigues, †Joseph Kulpa, †James Tesoro, †Arturo Ricardo Lopez and †Deceased members of the Lobo & Poranganel families

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](mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org)



## **Message for the Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care**

**26 October 2025**

**His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo  
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto**

I am writing to you in anticipation of the upcoming Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care which was introduced last March and to be observed on the last Sunday of October throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. This new observance is born out of a deep pastoral concern for those who suffer and for those approaching the end of life. It is my hope that this day will inspire every parish community to pray, reflect, and act with renewed compassion toward those in need of comfort, dignity, and accompaniment in their final journey. It is imperative that we raise awareness and encourage prayerful dialogue among the faithful and the larger community about what to do when someone we love is suffering, especially in a life-threatening manner. With its proximity to the month of November when we remember those who have gone before us, the Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care connects the suffering of this world and in our bodies and souls, with the hope that we have in the world to come.

Our Christian faith teaches that every human life is a precious gift from God, to be cherished and protected from conception until natural death. In a culture that increasingly views suffering as something to be eliminated rather than embraced with love, the Church must give witness to the truth that life retains its dignity even amid illness, pain, and decline. Palliative care is a profound expression of this belief that seeks not to hasten death, but to relieve suffering through medical, emotional, and spiritual support. Currently, only a third of Canadians have access to quality palliative care. We know that if those who are sick and dying are surrounded by loving care, in a community setting imbued with compassion, possess an understanding of what effective pain management looks like as well as the meaning of redemptive suffering, fewer would seek euthanasia and assisted suicide as a solution to their pain, guilt or loneliness.

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To help foster this awareness, a brochure entitled *Palliative Care and a Catholic Response to Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide* has been created and distributed to all parishes. This brochure explains the beauty and importance of authentic palliative care, the moral reasons for rejecting euthanasia and assisted suicide, and the compassionate presence the Church offers to those at the end of life. It also includes practical resources such as *HopeLine* (416-619-5700), as well as guidance for families and parish ministers who accompany the sick and dying. I encourage you all to seek out this valuable resource and share it with others.

Ideally our Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care will provide our parish communities with the opportunity to pause and reflect on and commit to compassionate care for the dying. We need to enter into conversations around the difficult question of “What do I do when someone I love is dying and suffering horrific pain?” While larger legislative and structural issues may seem daunting, we know that grass roots initiatives and kitchen table conversations are far more effective and attainable. Our first Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care represents a concrete step in integrating the Church’s pastoral mission with the urgent medical, ethical, and spiritual challenges associated with end-of-life care.

Finally, just as those who are suffering need to know they are not alone, families and parishes need to recognise they are not alone. The larger archdiocesan family is here to help, I am committed to ensuring that help and support, care and comfort reach those who are most vulnerable. Part of our support is the ongoing “*Horizons of Hope*” program which encourages all the faithful to deepen their understanding of end-of-life issues and to accompany others with faith and tenderness. When it comes to euthanasia and assisted suicide, there are a lot of myths surrounding what we believe and encourage. I want everyone to know the truth, to be “Good Samaritans” who stand beside their brothers and sisters in their most vulnerable moments and effect to them the compassion of the Lord and his gift of life, both earthly and heavenly.

May the Lord bless all who are facing end-of-life decisions and those who accompany them and may Our Lady wrap you all in her mantle of love and care.

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## SSVP – AN OBITUARY

Many of you heard Dr. Andrew Simone, founder of the charity, Canadian Food For Children, speak at our parish last month. In the charity's latest newsletter, Dr. Simone wrote his obituary! I can assure you that Dr. Simone is alive and well. In fact, he is presently in Tanzania, where he is visiting to see how the charity can assist with some projects there. Of course, he continues his full-time medical practice. When he wrote his obituary, he was about to receive a pacemaker, after his doctor told him that his heartbeat was irregular. That, and the fact that he is 87, prompted him to look at his mortality, as well as his future life. The one certainty that each of us has, is that we will not live this earthly life forever. If we were to see our own obituary (or write it ourselves!), could we say that we have been grateful to God, used His gifts to the best of our ability, and made an effort to love others? It's powerful food for thought. May God bless us.

### How to Donate to SSVP

You can use one of the SSVP envelopes found on the poor boxes or a regular envelope marked SSVP.

To donate online through Canada Helps, visit <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/> and search for "Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, St. Mary Star of the Sea Conference" or use the QR Code.



To donate by Interac e-Transfer, please direct your donation to the email [stmarystar@ssvptoronto.ca](mailto:stmarystar@ssvptoronto.ca), and use the Question 'Saint' and password 'Vincent'. Your ongoing generosity means the world to us.

Thank you all for your support.

### SSVP HELPLINE:

For assistance please call 647-628-2058 and someone will get back to you at the earliest.

## LEGION OF MARY BOOK BORROW

The Legion of Mary will have their book borrow this Sunday, October 26 after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Kindly return any books you may have previously borrowed. Thank you.

## SHARELIFE

Thus far we have raised \$90,000 (82%)  
toward our goal of \$110,000

We ask you to share your blessings through the parish using a ShareLife envelope available at all the exits of the Church or at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate).

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

Thank you for your generosity!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

### TABERNACLE

In thanksgiving  
For the souls in purgatory

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

In thanksgiving  
For the souls in purgatory

### BLESSED MOTHER

In loving memory of Carolina Manuel Costanzo  
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### ST. JOSEPH

In thanksgiving

### ST. ANNE

For the souls in purgatory

### ST. JUDE

In thanksgiving



## ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY **CANCELLED**

Due to an unforeseen scheduling conflict, the All Saints Day Party planned for November 1st has been cancelled. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to celebrating together at future parish events.

## ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AND CRAFT GROUP

Are having their annual Christmas Market Place in St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish Hall on the weekend of November 22nd & November 23rd.

***Time: Sat. Nov. 22nd 11:00 am to 3:30 pm and after the 5.00 pm Saturday mass and again following all the Masses on Sunday, November 23rd.***

Come out and see the wonderful array of handmade "Craft items" for sale. These include unique Christmas crocheted ornaments; baby layettes and blankets. A large assortment of knitted items in sizes from children to adults,- sweaters, hats, scarfs, mitts etc.

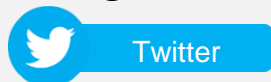
Look for the beautiful hand sewn linen; the great jewellery; the special crystal ware and china; and hand painted stones. There are many "One of a Kind" Special Gifts

Come out and join us. BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. We would love to see you. It is a great way to start your Christmas Shopping.

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