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Parish Hours

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Monday - Friday: 10:30am-5:00pm
Saturday - Sunday: CLOSED

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Monday: 9:00am-3:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am-3:00pm/5:30pm-7:30pm
Wednesday - Saturday: 8:00am-5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am-12:30pm

Weekday Masses
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 7:00pm
Wednesday - Saturday: 9:00am

Lord's Day Masses
Saturday (vigil): 5:00pm
Sunday: 9am & 11am

Adoration
Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30am - 10:30am
Friday: 9:30am - 12:00pm
First Fridays: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Confession
Saturday: 9:30am-10:30am or by appointment

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A Welcome to Our Parish Enter Holy Week

As we enter into these sacred days of Holy Week, we warmly welcome you into our parish family. Our desire is to offer a spiritual home where all are invited to draw closer to Christ. May this week be a a profound time to encounter the grace and unconditional love that God has to offer.

Ways to Support Our Parish

1. ***In person or by mail:*** You can drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office
2. ***By Credit Card:*** Make a one-time or recurring gift to the parish offertory or other special funds
3. ***Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG):*** Set up automatic monthly donations. Forms are available at the parish office or can be downloaded from the parish website.
4. ***Online Banking:*** You can also contribute through your online banking by emailing ***campaign@archtoronto.org***

Weekly Mass Intentions

To request a Mass intention or votive dedication please contact Marilyn Fernandes

Saturday, March 28th | 5:00pm
Passion Sunday
For the people of the parish

Sunday, March 29th | 9:00pm
Passion Sunday
†Erma & Guido Barbisan

Sunday, March 29th | 11:00am
Passion Sunday
†Nelida Goguen

Monday, March 30th
Monday of Holy Week
No public Mass

Tuesday, March 31st | 7:00pm
Tuesday of Holy Week
No public Mass

Wednesday, April 1st | 9:00am
Wednesday of Holy Week
Special intentions of Adriene Gill & Samantha Cameron, †Barbra Ann Baker and † Giorgio Circosta

Thursday, April 2nd | 8:00pm
No 9:00am Mass
Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 3rd | 3:00pm Service
Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 4th | 8:30am
No 9:00am Mass
The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
For the people of the Parish

Sunday, April 5th | 9:00am
The Resurrection of the Lord
†Anita Toncic & deceased members of the Toncic family

Sunday, April 5th | 11:00am
The Resurrection of the Lord
†Radegund Fietta

Votive Lamp Dedications

Tabernacle
Special intentions of Eveline Richard and Family
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Sacred Heart of Jesus
In thanksgiving
For the souls in purgatory

Blessed Mother
In thanksgiving
For the souls in purgatory

St. Joseph
In thanksgiving

St. Anne
For the souls in purgatory

St. Jude
In thanksgiving

Pastor's Corner

So, I dropped a bombshell of an announcement last weekend. The call from the Archdiocese informing me of the appointment came on March 10th and the letter arrived a week later. I will keep most of that conversation private, but the word that was spoken to me at the conclusion of the conversation I will make known. It came from Sacred Scripture and the prophet Jeremiah: "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." - Jeremiah 29:11

By the time I announced it to you, I had a little over a week to process the move and go through the human stages of receiving truly life changing news. It was not easy. My holy hours and time in prayer was focused on this big change. But in that prayer, God showed up (as He always does) and continued to reassure me with that word from the prophet Jeremiah. It is easy to trust in God when things are going well. But trusting in God with uncertainty and change, thats where we are called to surrender to God's will. He has a good plan for He is a good Father.

Following Mass, many people asked who was my successor. With the moves now released, Fr Laszlo Nagy the current pastor of Holy Family, Whitby will be taking up his role as pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea on June 24th. Please keep him in your prayers for his openness to the Holy Spirit to lead and guide him.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 28th/Sunday, March 29th

Palm Sunday Mass (5:00pm Vigil, 9:00am, 11:00am)

Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, April 2nd

Mass of the Lord's Supper (8:00pm)
Altar of Repose (until midnight)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Friday, April 3rd

**Divine Mercy Novena begins this day and will be prayed at 2:30pm*

Celebration of the Lord's Passion (3:00pm)
Stations of the Cross (7:00pm)

Holy Saturday

Saturday, April 4th

Blessing of the Easter Baskets (10:30am)
Divine Mercy Novena (3:00pm **online**)
The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (8:30pm)

The Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 5th

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord (9:00am & 11:00am)
Divine Mercy Novena (3:00pm **online**)

Smile of the Week

Most bald people still own a comb…

They just can't part with it

Pontifical Collection for the Church in the Holy Land

The Good Friday Collection helps to maintain the Church of the Holy Land by providing educational, pastoral, and social support of Catholic Youth and families committed to living their faith in the land where Christ lived , and by maintaining the Holy Sites that are so important to the faith of Christians everywhere. At the request of the Holy See, this Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 3, 2026. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may use Credit Cards, Interac, or Canadahelps , accessible at: www.commissariat.ca, in the "Support Us" link

Stella Maris Sunday!

We're excited to introduce a new children's program here at the parish called ***Stella Maris Sundays***, beginning on Sunday, April 12th (Divine Mercy Sunday). Following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, children in grades K–6 are invited to join us in the hall for a fun and engaging time of learning about the faith through games and activities. For more information, please visit one of our volunteers at the parish doors after Mass to receive an invitation. We hope to see you there!

CWL and Canadian food for Children

We are collecting gently used Bicycles as well as gently used tools (basic and electric) and sewing machines in working order for Canada Food for Children. These items will empower individuals in marginalized countries. The bicycles will increase their ability to access vital community resources and networks. The tools will help people make a living and the sewing machines are for their mission partner in El Salvador to use in the sewing school. If you have any to donate, please drop off at the St. Vincent de Paul truck in the church parking lot. ***Bundle Up Weekend (April 11th/12th)***

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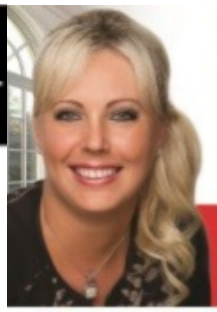
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