

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2024



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024 (5:00 PM)



For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Alan Sr. & Alan Jr. del Puerto

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 (11:00 AM)

†Martin & Helen Znidarec

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 (7:00 PM)

†Antonio Palmieri

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Beniamino Iavicoli and Special intentions of Pushpa Lobo, Ann Fernandes, Doris Lalonde, James Tesoro and Vincent Ghisleni

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 (9:00 AM)

Special intentions of Pushpa Lobo

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024 (9:00 AM)

Special intentions of Tessie Tesoro and family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Marsilio Petrucci, †Jack Hubbel and Special intentions of Doris Lalonde, James Tesoro and Adriene Adona & Adrian Gill

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays  
9:30 am - 10:30 am

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)

## PASTOR'S BLOG – SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

There is something in the air. I think there is a big event next weekend. Has anyone heard anything about it? Was it posted in the emails or on the bulletin board? \*Checks calendar invites\* OH YEAH! Adriene is getting married to Adrian on September 14th at 1pm in St. Michael's Cathedral. Probably in a love induced delusional state they asked me to offer the Nuptial Mass...but not too delusional because they asked another priest to preach! Smart call on their part!

Anyways, due to this exciting event in their life there will be a couple of schedule changes on September 14th to accommodate my attendance but also for the people of the parish who wish to venture to the Cathedral.

- 1) Confession Time: Confessions on September 14th will take place from 8-8:50am.
- 2) Mass Time: 9am followed by our St. Michael Devotions

To take some of the pressure off for the weekend, Fr Matt McCarthy, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Toronto will be preaching the weekend.

If you wish to accompany the couple in prayer, here is one that I found for the feast on which they chose to get married, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, which you can name them as the intention over the week:

### **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Jesus, Who because of Your burning love for us willed to be crucified and to shed Your Most Precious Blood for the redemption and salvation of our souls, look down upon us and grant the petition we ask for ...(mention here)

We trust completely in Your Mercy. Cleanse us from sin by Your Grace, sanctify our work, give us and all those who are dear to us our daily bread, lighten the burden of our sufferings, bless our families, and grant to the nations, so sorely afflicted, Your Peace, which is the only true peace, so that by obeying Your Commandments we may come at last to the glory of Heaven.

Amen

### **Everything old is new again**

Speaking of Confessions, the confessionals at the back of the Church have been fixed! The lights work, the padding on the kneelers have been replaced. So, beginning on September 14th, we will begin to use the old confessionals.

Why? In our annual visit from Catholic Mutual, our insurance provider, the auditor asked us to put a glass door in at the confessional that has been in use for the past several years. This is for the protection of the confessor and the penitent and without that glass, it was becoming an issue of liability. However, trying to retrofit that door was going to be a costly venture. The affordable option was to fix up the old confessionals. But what about accessibility? For those who are unable to kneel for confession, the current confessional will be used. On Saturdays, I will look after them first and then take care of those lined up on the other side. But what about the curtains? Wont people hear my confession? We will have a white noise machine set up to help maintain the confessional seal.

### **The Weekend of September 28/29th**

This weekend is shaping up to be filled with many parish events. So, to help keep things clear, I will itemize them

#### **Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery - September 28th 10am**

I recently received a phone call from Catholic Cemeteries to book our annual Mass at the cemetery. Because my Saturday's are booked with various events, this was the Saturday that was free in September. While it is late and we will pray that the weather cooperates, it fits well into our weekend celebrations. The Mass at the cemetery is always a moving event where we remember all those of our community who have gone before us with the sure hope of the resurrection.

#### **Blessing of Backpacks - After all Weekend Masses**

After all Masses on this weekend, we will have the blessing of backpacks. Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpack with them to Mass that weekend and after communion we will have them come forward for the blessing.

**Backpack drive:** This weekend we will also conclude our backpack drive. Please bring a backpack with items noted last weekend. Bringing school supplies without the backpack is also most welcome. These items will be distributed to the schools for their use.

Parish Family Potluck - September 29th After 11am Mass

To cap off our weekend of events is our Parish Family Potluck following the 11am Mass. We will be kicking off our pastoral year bringing our parish family together to celebrate our faith with fellowship and fun. It is a potluck, so to make sure that we have all the food groups covered, please use the following link <https://forms.gle/pfBSorVUmyqjw8rv5> to let us know what you are bringing. We are many different ethnic cultures with one faith that brings us together, so sharing something from your culture's cuisine is always welcome. If you do not want to use the link, please let Samantha know what you will be bring as she will be the quarterback for the potluck.



As noted there is much to celebrate, our parish feast day which is on September 27th (Stay Tuned for more information about this) and our diocesan Feast day of St. Michael. We pray that our year will be filled with God's graces and blessings and that as a parish family we might radiate these blessings to those we meet as beacon's of hope in our community.

Fr Michael



Please watch your step...

**WE ARE OPEN**

**WHILE FRONT STEPS ARE UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION**

# ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DECEASED ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC CEMETERY

**10:00 AM**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024**

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery  
2099 Dickson Road  
Mississauga, ON L5N 1Y6

Please note that there will be **NO MORNING MASS** at  
St. Mary Star of the Sea Church on Saturday, September 28, 2024

## OZANAM EDUCATION FUND – BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY

While home visits to Neighbours in Need might be our most-well known work, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul also has an education fund to assist Neighbours in Need with scholarships to assist with post-secondary education. Education is one of the most effective ways to break the cycle of poverty. Funding comes from donors, and all funds go to scholarships, as the administration of the funds is done by volunteers.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, or would be willing to sit on the Board to oversee the scholarships, please call Sal at 905 271-0266

## SSVP HELP LINE : 647-628-2058

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

## SHARELIFE

Thus far we have raised \$53,572 (50%)  
toward our goal of \$108,000

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or online at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate).

Thank you for your generosity.

## SSVP – AUGUST SUMMARY

During the month of August, our members made 35 visits, distributing \$3535.00 in grocery store gift cards, and \$226.80 in bus tickets. It was a very busy month, as you can see. We also assisted 2 people in submitting applications for an education scholarship, one of the SSVP programs.

Thank you for your donations!

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

### TABERNACLE

In loving memory of Christopher  
Bende & Williams Idemudia

Special Intentions of Bright & Ogechi  
Aigbe Idemudia & family

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Special intentions of Doris Lalonde  
Special intentions of Doris Lalonde

### OUR BLESSED MOTHER

Special intentions of Mary Ndukwe Bende  
Special Intentions of Krisben  
Investment Limited

### ST. JOSEPH

Special intentions of James Tesoro



# FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION 2025

Registration for First Holy Communion Preparation 2024-2025 is now open and will close on Saturday, October 5th. Please see the [parents information package](#) on our website for details to register and for the schedule.

<https://stmarystarofthesea.ca/first-holy-communion>

## SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The Season of Creation is observed throughout the Christian world from September 1 (which is the annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, established by Pope Francis) to October 4 (feast of St. Francis of Assisi). It is a special season where we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation as the divine continuing act that summons us to love and care for the gift of all that is created. It is an extension of Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si* and encourages awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.



The theme for 2024 is "To hope and act with Creation", with the symbol "The first fruits of hope", inspired by St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 8:19-25. Pope Francis' message for this year reminds us that Jesus' resurrection from the dead is our great hope. "The Holy Spirit calls us to conversion. This conversion entails leaving behind the arrogance of those who want to exercise dominion over others and nature itself, reducing the latter to an object to be manipulated and instead embracing the humility of those who care for others and for all of creation. To hope and act with creation, then, means above all to join forces and to walk together with all men and women of good will" in harmony and to extend this harmony to creation.

### Suggestions for Action

1. Adoption of renewable energies and energy sufficiency measures, achieving carbon neutrality, protecting biodiversity, promoting sustainable agriculture, and guaranteeing access to clean water for all.
2. Reduce waste, recycle, adopt sustainable dietary habits (e.g. reducing meat consumption), greater use of public transport, cycling and walking, and avoid single use items (e.g. plastic bags).

More information and resources can be found at [seasonofcreation.org](http://seasonofcreation.org) and at [humandevelopment.va](http://humandevelopment.va).

Please check out the bulletin board at the exit to parking lot.



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE  
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA**

# HOPE WITH



## SOAP

**WE NEED:**

**COLLECTION OF SOAP BARS (NO LIQUID  
SOAPS) TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE  
NEEDY IN AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA  
THROUGH THE  
CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN**



**BEFORE AND AFTER EACH MASS  
SEPTEMBER 7 & 8  
SEPTEMBER 14 & 15**



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