



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish Hours

Office Hours

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

Church Hours

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

We warmly welcome you into our parish family. St. Mary Star of the Sea is a place where all are invited to come, adore the Lord, and grow in faith. We pray that you may find belonging, encouragement and spiritual growth here.

Ways to Support Our Parish

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

Readings for this Sunday

First Reading: *Isaiah 9:1-4*

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 27*

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17-18*

Gospel: *Matthew 4:12-23*

Weekly Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, January 24th | 5:00pm

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

† John Holland

Sunday, January 25th | 9:00am

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

For those who have no one to pray for them

Sunday, January 25th | 11:00am

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the People of the Parish

Monday, January 26th

Memorial of Sts. Timothy & Titus

No Mass

Tuesday, January 27th | 7:00pm

Third Week in Ordinary Time (St. Angela Merici)

Special intentions of Daniela Trimboli

Wednesday, January 28th | 9:00am

Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas

†Souls in purgatory and Special intentions of Ruth

Apperley and Helena Babiarz

Thursday, January 29th | 9:00am

Third Week in Ordinary Time

Special intentions of Carmela Racco

Friday, January 30th | 9:00am

Third Week in Ordinary Time

†Valerie Alexander

Saturday, January 31st | 9:00am

Memorial of St. John Bosco

*†Josephine Ricci, Souls in purgatory and Special
intentions of Helena Babiarz, Bern Wilson and Elvira
da Silva*

Votive Lamp Dedications

Tabernacle

Special intentions of Basil & Duane Fernandes

For the souls in purgatory

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

In the Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis*, Pope Francis instituted on the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time the Sunday of the Word of God. The effect of instituting the Sunday of the Word of God has prompted Catholics to reflect more deeply on Scripture, encouraging a cultural shift toward reclaiming the Bible as central to Catholic life. Church leaders emphasize that this Sunday highlights the importance of Sacred Scripture in the liturgy and calls Catholics to actively engage with the Bible so it can renew their faith and guide their daily lives and the work of evangelization.

For myself, this Sunday has certainly effected the way I prepare my homilies every week, paying attention to both the literal sense and the spiritual sense of the scripture so that it can be proclaimed. And podcasts like "The Bible in a Year" has touched the hearts of thousands of people. It is not enough to hear regularly that God loves us. When we read the Bible with faith, we get to know that love personally in our life.

So a couple of action items from this weekend can be 1) Prepare for Sunday Mass by reading the readings ahead of time. And 2) If you have not done so, go through the Bible in a year using one of the many schemas that exist. It will change your life and transform your relationship with God and others.

Week at a Glance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
26	27 Alpha Information Meeting 7pm	28 Craft Group Meeting - 10:00am	29	30 Divin Mercy Chaplet - 3pm (online)	31	1

Pancake Sunday - February 15th

Bring the whole family and join us on **Sunday, February 15, following the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses**, for our annual Pancake Sunday Fundraiser!

Proceeds support **Parish Summer Camp Stella Maris**, helping provide supplies, youth employment, and keeping camp affordable so more children and teens can take part in a fun, faith-filled summer experience. If you would like to make a direct donation to summer camp please contact Samantha

2025 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts will be issued and mailed out by the end of February for all donations received by December 31, 2025. **Please call Marilyn Fernandes at 905-278-2058 or email MFernandes@archtoronto.org if your mailing address has changed.** Thank you.

Spiritual Bouquet for the 2026 Ordinandi

The Catholic Women's League is collecting the commitment of spiritual prayers and devotions which will be given to the 2026 Ordinandi at the 36th Annual Ordinandi Dinner on March 24th, 2026.

There is a form at each of the exits of the church where you can record your commitment. The form will be available at all masses the weekend of January 17th/18th, January 24th/25th & January 31st/February 1st.

Parishioners are invited to record their prayer and devotion commitments in support of our Ordinandi. Thank you for your continued prayers and generous support of the 2026 Ordinandi.

Marriage Date Night - Community & Faith Formation

Join us for a new quarterly gathering for married or engaged couples, with our **first Date Night taking place on February 13th**. Your date will begin with Holy Mass at 7pm, followed by appetizers and drinks, a pot-luck dinner with tables for two, and a guest speaker. Our topic for the evening will be "The Sacramentality of Marriage". This event is adults only, but couples may request a connection to a babysitter (where available) when registering.

We look forward to a meaningful evening to deepen your marriage, grow in faith, and connect with other couples in our community. Please share this with any other couples you know that may be interested! For more information, please contact Jennifer.medal@outlook.com.

Date Night Registration

Interested in helping to babysit for parents attending couples date night?



Smile of the Week

I was dared to invent a new way of breaking ground as a New Year's resolution, but I realized that would be impossible.

The shovel is the most ground-breaking invention ever.

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau - February 9, 2026 at 2:30pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2026 celebrations, Bishop John Boissonneau will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from Friday, May 15 at 6 p.m. to Sunday, May 17 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$325 per person (\$225 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. Limited subsidies are available if cost is a concern. Please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me. For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, visit: <http://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2026>.

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 www.canadahelps.org and search for "Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, St. Mary Star of the Sea Conference"

To donate by Interac e-Transfer, please direct your donation to the email 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

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