



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

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Parish Hours

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10:30am-5:00pm

Friday: CLOSED

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 this Easter Season

Christ is Risen! He is Truly Risen! We warmly welcome you into our parish family this Easter. Our parish seeks to be a place where everyone may come to encounter and adore the Risen Lord. We pray that you may find the true joy of the Resurrection this blessed Easter season.

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

Readings for this Sunday

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

Psalm: Psalm 33

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel: John 14:1-12

Weekly Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, May 2nd | 5:00pm

Fifth Sunday of Easter

†Alberto & Stella Severin

Sunday, May 3rd | 9:00am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

For the People of the Parish

Sunday, May 3rd | 11:00am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Special intentions of St. Marguerite Burgeoy

Fertility Care Agency

Monday, May 4th

Fifth Week of Easter (Bl. Marie-Léonie Paradis)

No public Mass

Tuesday, May 5th | 7:00pm

Fifth Week of Easter

Special intentions of Susan Windsor

Wednesday, May 6th | 9:00am

Memorial of St. François de Laval

†Mary Sink, †Edna Wijeyekoon, †Naomi

Wiratunga and *Special intentions of Emanuela*

Riddell and Carl & Lynette Rodrigues

Thursday, May 7th | 9:00am

Fifth Week of Easter

†Nestor Cantos

Friday, May 8th | 9:00am

Fifth Week of Easter (Bl. Catherine of St. Augustine)

Special intentions of Laura Bodner

Saturday, May 9th | 9:00am

Fifth Week of Easter

Morning Mass Cancelled due to Ordinations

Votive Lamp Dedications

Tabernacle

Special intentions of C&L Rodrigues

Special intentions of J. Rodrigues

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Special intentions of C&L Rodrigues

In loving memory of Valerie Alexander

Blessed Mother

In thanksgiving

For the souls in purgatory

St. Joseph

In loving memory of Peter Fernandes

St. Anne

In thanksgiving

St. Jude

Special intentions of E. Rodrigues

Pastor's Corner

Over the Easter season, many kind words have been shared about the altar frontal, also known as an *antependium*. I am deeply grateful for the generosity of parishioners who have fully funded the Violet/Purple, the White Festal, and the Green antependia which is currently being sewn and expected to be ready in about three months.

Each *antependium* features a hand-embroidered emblem that draws our attention to key aspects of our faith: the Green will depict the Good Shepherd, the Violet/Purple bears the cross and thorns, and the White Festal features the pelican.

Recently I was asked why the pelican? The pelican has long held a cherished place in Christian symbolism, especially within the Roman Catholic tradition. In ancient lore, it was believed that in times of famine, a mother pelican would wound her own breast to feed her young with her blood, even at the cost of her life. Though this image comes from legend rather than biology, its spiritual meaning is both profound and enduring.

For the Church, the pelican became a powerful symbol of Christ's sacrificial love in the Eucharist. Just as the pelican was thought to nourish her young with her own lifeblood, so too does Jesus give Himself entirely to us, His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In the Eucharist, Jesus holds nothing back. He feeds us with His very self so that we may have life, strength, and grace. And just as Christ gives Himself so completely to us, may we also be inspired to give of ourselves in love and service to others.

Month at a Glance

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					1 Divine Mercy (3pm online)	2
3 First Communion (11am Mass)	4	5	6 Craft Group Meeting (10am parish hall)	7	8 Divine Mercy (3pm online)	9 No Morning Mass due to Ordinations Men Group (7am)
10  Mothers Day	11	12	13 Craft Group Meeting (10am parish hall)	14	15 Pentecost Novena Begins Divine Mercy (3pm online)	16
17 Ascension Sunday	18  Victoria Day! (Parish office Closed)	19	20 Craft Group Meeting (10am parish hall)	21	22 Divine Mercy (3pm online)	23 Parish Confirmations (5pm Mass)
24 Pentecost Sunday Stella Maris Sunday (12pm Parish hall)	25	26	27 Craft Group Meeting (10am parish hall)	28	29 Couple's Date Night (7pm) Divine Mercy (3pm online)	30
31 Trinity Sunday						

Stella Maris Summer Camp

Registrations for Summer Camp are still open for summer 2026! Summer Camp runs for two weeks:

Week 1: July 20th-24th & Week 2: July 27th-31st

Camp is open to children currently in *JK up to grade 6!* The cost is \$150 per camper for one week with discounts for siblings available! Please see the parish website for more information!

Corpus Christi - Sunday, June 7th

Join us as we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi with a beautiful Eucharistic Procession, followed by a joyful parish potluck!

All are invited to take part in this special time of prayer and community as we publicly witness to our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. After the procession, stay and enjoy fellowship with fellow parishioners at our potluck gathering.

We are looking for volunteers to help with both the procession and the potluck. If you are available to assist, please contact Adriene!

Couples Date Night May 29th

Our Couples Ministry is getting ready for Date Night #2 on May 29th! We welcome you to join us once again for an evening of connection and formation as Catholic married/engaged couples. Your date will once again begin with Holy Mass at 7pm, followed by appetizers and drinks, a pot-luck dinner with tables for two, and a guest speaker during coffee and dessert. Once again this evening is for adults only, engaged or married, but a connection to a babysitter can be requested upon registration.

Our May 29th Date Night topic is "Essentials of Couple Communication", and our guest speaker will be Carey Campbell. Carey is a well-known and respected therapist in the west GTHA, with almost 20 years' experience, and a special interest in couples' therapy. She is also a practicing Catholic, wife, and mother.

Please register online using the QR code or via the Parish website. Spaces are limited, so consider registering soon! If there is anyone interested in offering their babysitting services to the community for this event, please fill out the Babysitting form via QR code below.

*Questions? Reach out to
stmarysots.datenights@outlook.com.*

Date Night Registration



Date Night Babysitting



Stella Maris Sunday - May 24th

Stella Maris Sunday is back this month! Join us on Sunday, May 24th following the 11am Mass to celebrate the Birthday of the Church! (Also known as Pentecost Sunday). All Children in grades K-6 are welcome to join us for an afternoon of faith and fun!

Prayer Intentions

We invite you to submit your prayer intentions through our parish website. Intentions received will be lifted up in prayer by our parish community through the bulletin (if indicated) and during our First Saturday Intercessory Prayer. Please visit our website to share your intentions with us or scan the QR code



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." 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

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

Fr. Michael's Farewell

Join us as we gather to thank Fr. Michael for his faithful service to our parish community and wish him well on his next chapter. All parishioners are warmly invited to a farewell celebration **the evening of Sunday, June 14th in**

Come enjoy an evening of fellowship, gratitude, and celebration as we honour Fr. Michael and all he has meant to our parish family. More details to follow. We hope to see you there!

Smile of the Week

My pet frog has a sprained ankle.



He is very unhoppy

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