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St. Mary of the people parish



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M.

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday to Saturday 8:30 A.M.

ROSARY

Daily recitation following morning Mass at approx 9:00 A.M.

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Fridays 9:15 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.

ALL DAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of Each Month concluding with 7 P.M. Mass.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Tuesday - Saturday following morning Mass

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

Wednesday during morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:45 P.M. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the office for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Notice must be received one year in advance. Couples must attend a marriage preparation course.

PASTOR

Fr. David Bollo - Pastor

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

SCHOOLS

St. Christopher's	(905) 725-7672
Paul Dwyer Catholic High	(905) 723-5255

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Womens League	(905) 728-2212
Knights of Columbus	(905) 728-2212
St. Vincent de Paul	(905) 213-3860
Natural Family Planning (Rose)	(905) 683-9055
Catholic Cemeteries (Resurrection)	(905) 668-8912

BULLETIN

Copy must be in to office no later than Monday 4:00 P.M.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register using forms at back of Church or at Office.



Sat Jan 20 5:00 John Brignole & Mary McWatters

req Brignole Family

Sun Jan 21 9:00 All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish

11:00 Multiple Intention Mass

Mary G MacPherson John Patrick Norino Chiodo Joseph Steiner Olivero Sabadin

Maria & Antonio Zuclich

Int Anne Doyle

Tues Jan 23 8:30 Giuseppe & Divina Ziccarelli

req Teresa & Joe Custoza

Wed Jan 24 8:30 Rosa & Giuseppe Stano req Nino & Frances

Thur Jan 25 8:30 Multiple Intention Mass

All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
Fri Jan 26 8:30 All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
Sat Jan 27 5:00 Int of David & Maureen Webster req Lou Suszek

Sun Jan 28 9:00 Multiple Intention Mass

Violet Bakalar Diego Trotta Apolonia Taldone

11:00 All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish

PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 11

In the Parish Hall after both Sunday Masses

Cost:

11 years and older - \$10.00 2 to 10 years old - \$5.00 Children under 2 – no charge All parishioners & their families are welcome.

Menu: Pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, taters, fruit & beverages

Tickets will be on sale Jan. 27/28 and Feb. 3/4 or call Frances 905-579-0128 Hosted by Knights of Columbus and CWL

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From the Pastor's Desk

TODAY'S GOSPEL: The only words Jesus actually preaches in the first chapters of Mark's Gospel are, "This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the good news." From Mark 1 to 4, Jesus calls disciples, heals people and converses with them; he also gets into arguments with religious authorities, warning them that they are in danger of blaspheming against the Holy Spirit. Jesus' announcement of the nearness of the reign of God was not one and done. The reign of God describes a web of relationships that continually grows, drawing more and more people into unity with God and neighbor — and with all of creation. Each generation is invited to develop that web in the ways most appropriate to their context, accepting the task of adapting the Gospel message so that it remains both faithful and relevant. Today, Christ and all our ancestors in the faith invite us to adopt the mindset that expects to see that "This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand."

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OFGOD: January 20/21, 2024 will be designated as "Sunday of the Word of God" and is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. We recall the importance given by the Second Vatican Council to rediscovering Sacred Scripture for the life of the Church. In his apostolic letter, the Holy Father tells us that the celebration has "ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity."

<u>A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE:</u> With Archbishop Francis Leo – February 11, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 Archbishop Leo will preside at a special Mass to honor married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. This Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. 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. Registration and other information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. Questions, please call 416-934-3400 ext. 523. Please see poster on bulletin board.

VOCATIONS: The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete: they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to priesthood, religious life or diaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

www.vocationstoronto.ca

STEWARDSHIP: As Jesus called the apostles, he used their own language by inviting them to be "fishers of people." There is a deep spiritual insight that can be gleaned from this, namely, that Christ can use what we bring to the table to serve him and the Church. This is the heart of stewardship, so let us reflect on **our own** gifts and graciously heed the call of Christ to become "fishers of people," each in our own way.

<u>SIGN OF THE TIMES:</u> St. Liborius Church, a large Gothic Revival structure, opened in St. Louis in 1889. Its significance led it to be listed on the Register of Historic Places in 1979. In 1992, shortly after its centennial, it closed and was redeveloped into "SK8 Liborius," a private skate park. A fire destroyed the building in June 2023



VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE:



Saturday February 17

Cocktails at 6:00PM and dinner at 7:00PM.

Tickets are \$60 per person.

Call the office or see a Knight at the back of the Church

<u>CHARITABLE DONATIONS:</u> St Mary's Knights of Columbus Council 8611 approved the following donations from our Bingo account to the following Charities:

St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 5000.00
St. Mary of the People Church	\$ 2000.00
Catholic Family Services Durham	\$ 2000.00
Durham Outlook for the Needy	\$ 2000.00
YWCA	\$ 2000.00
Sunrise Youth	\$ 1000.00
Rose of Durham	\$ 1000.00
Special Olympics	\$ 1000.00
Coats for Kids Charity	\$ 1380.00
	\$17380.00

WEBSITE: Please check out our website: https://kofc8611.org

CHOIR: The choir is looking for new members, both men and women, to join our choir. No knowledge of music is necessary, just the joy of singing. We meet every Wednesday night at 7:15pm till 9pm. We enter by the south door near the entrance to the church office. **We will resume practicing January 10th**

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL: St. Paul tells us that if our faith is so strong that we could move mountains but do not have charity, we have nothing. We know that charity is the only way we love God through Jesus Christ by loving our neighbor. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul offers us a way to express our love for neighbor by supporting their mission to serve those in need.

Your support through **poor box** donations at the front entrance of the church is a way to do this. Gifts of \$10.00 or more will be receipted for income tax purposes. Place your donation in an envelope marked **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**. Remember to include your **full name and address** so a receipt can be prepared and sent to you at year-end. **The Poor Box offers us an opportunity to love Jesus Christ by helping those in need!**

If you discern a desire to engage directly with our neighbors in need by joining the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul call or text Vince at 289-943-5881 and leave a message for more information.



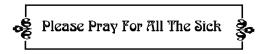
TORONTO DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT DAY: Saturday, February 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. held virtually, featuring Kathy Matusiak Costa, the Executive Director of Compassionate Community Care and Alex Schadenberg, the Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Open to all members. If interested, contact Rita at jakyms@rogers.com. Names and emails will be submitted together to receive Zoom link closer to the date. See Poster on CWL bulletin at church entrance for more information.

<u>2024 MEMBERSHIPS:</u> dues \$40.00 – Members wishing to use the pink envelopes found in the Sunday offering box, **please disregard** the amount printed on the envelope and enclose \$40.00 (cash or cheque) and drop it in the collection basket. New members are always welcome. For more information contact Joey at 905-576-3386 or 905-439-9047 (cell).

SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR MEN: "Be Rejuvenated by

the Canadian Martyrs" January 26-28, 2024 at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. Facilitated by Fr. Robert Foliot, SJ. Suggested offering: \$250 (includes two night's accommodations, meals, retreat program and spiritual direction). Register online at: Manresa-canada.ca or phone 905-839-2864. Please see poster on bulletin board.

<u>DAY OF REFLECTION:</u> "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you" Monday, January 29, 2024 at Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre. Presenter: Fr. Jim Kelly, SJ. Suggested offering: \$65. Please see poster on bulletin board



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