
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.

Mass for the Intentions Week

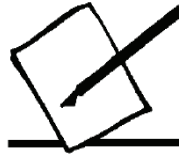
Sat Mar 23 5:00	John Nicholls req Pellerin, Boase & Taggart Families
Sun Mar 24 9:00	Multiple Intention Mass Diego Trotta Giovanni Miceso Mary Kreisz Tony Berti Patrick Davidson Jack DelGatto Tony, Concetta & Rosa Montagano 11:00 All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
Tues Mar 26 8:30	No Mass
7:00	Patrick Jamie Treacy req Patrick & Barbara Treacy
Wed Mar 27 8:30	Brian Breen req Ken Breen & Family
Thur Mar 28 7:00	Mass of the Lords Supper
Fri Mar 29 3:00	Passion of the Lord
Sat Mar 30 8:00	Easter Vigil
Sun Mar 31 9:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
11:00	Multiple Intention Mass Antonio & Elvira Ciardullo Maria & Nicola Vidulich Int Vi Burns Int Anne Doyle

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES OF DURHAM: C.F.S.D. provides help, hope and healing to individuals, young parents, couples and families regardless of beliefs. We do this through evidence-based psychotherapy and counselling, education and support. We have three divisions to serve our community. A psychotherapy division (Renewal Psychotherapy Durham), a young parent support division (Rose of Durham), and a gender-based violence hub division (Safety Network Durham). Over half of our clients have experienced some form of gender-based violence (intimate partner violence, sexual assault, human trafficking). **We are currently seeking dedicated people to serve as members of our Board of Directors, which meets monthly.** Financial expertise is an asset. CFSD is committed to inclusivity and equality. For more information about CFSD please visit www.cfsdurham.com or contact Tania McClean, Executive Assistant. 905-725-3513.

HANDICAP PARKING

We have been receiving complaints of vehicles parked in handicap designated spots that do **NOT** have their permit displayed
IF YOU HAVE A PERMIT PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS PROPERLY DISPLAYED
IF NOT PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN A HANDICAP SPOT

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.



From the Pastor's Desk

TODAY'S GOSPEL: When Jesus blessed and broke the bread, he added the audacious statement, "This is my body." By saying that, Jesus identified himself, not as a grateful recipient of God's gifts, but as the gift of God. Taking the wine, Jesus pronounced the traditional blessing and went on to identify himself as the lifeblood of the covenant, God's vulnerable offer to share life with creation. Today, we watched the spectators shout, "Hosanna," and soon thereafter cry out, "Crucify him!" The Scriptures and liturgies of Holy Week make it hard to be neutral. They interrogate us, calling us to play our part in the drama of God's great love. Let us choose the strength and freedom offered in the bread that gives us the sustenance necessary to take up the cup of self-giving love. This week of remembrance leads us to ask ourselves, "Are we prepared to be implicated with Christ?" Do we believe it when we say, "Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free"?

SHARE LIFE: Welcome Jesus into your heart by sharing your blessings today. Today is Palm Sunday, a day in our Lenten journey when we are reminded of the importance of welcoming Jesus in our hearts. In the spirit of his teaching and example, let us extend our hands to those who need our help the most. Our parish goal this year is \$66,200.00. Please give at the parish using a Share Life envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND: The March 29th Good Friday Collection is taken up at the request of the Holy See. It is for the support of the many social, educational, and parish projects of the Church throughout the Holy Land, and it helps to assure the Church's presence and a measure of security and peace for our brothers and sisters. Let us generously respond to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM: The Parish program for Grade Two students registered for **First Communion** will take place on **Sundays:** March 24th, April 7, 14 & 21 at 12:15 p.m. in the parish hall. The parish program for students registered for **Confirmation** will take place on **Thursday** evening: April 04, 18, 25 & May 02, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

MASS OF CHRISM: You are invited to join the celebration of the Mass of the Blessing of the Oils via livestream on Tuesday, March 26th at 11:00 a.m.: visit www.stmichaelscathedral.com/livestream

PASCHAL FAST: Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. It is praise worthy to continue the fast into Holy Saturday.

CONFESSION: In preparation for Easter, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Wednesday, March 27th 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We invite you to join us for the recitation of the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. on Good Friday, this last Friday of Lent.

VOCATIONS: Blessed are those who come in the name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**
www.vocationstoronto.ca.



CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICE MEETING: Tuesday March 26 at 4 PM. We will be doing minor repairs at the Church and Hall. We will meet in the Hall at 4 PM

CHARITABLE DONATIONS: 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>

ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES: A Marriage Preparation Course will be available at St. John the Evangelist Church, 903 Giffard St., Whitby, Monday evenings April 8 to May 13 2024 @ 7 pm – 9 pm. Register in person or call 905-668-3676. Cost: \$300 per couple, includes materials.

MINISTRY OF MATURING ADULTS 60 +: April 18 - End of Life Issues – Moira McQueen from Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute U of T. 9:30 coffee / 10:00 session / concludes with free luncheon. Registration is not required. You are most welcome.
Immaculate Conception Parish, 1710 Scugog St Port Perry

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.



EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, March 26 at 7 o'clock in the boardroom.

TORONTO DIOCESAN CONVENTION: Mon. April 29 & Tues. April 30 at the Ajax Convention Centre. Register individually online at www.cwltoronto.ca for the convention before April 8. For a ticket for the April 30th banquet, please contact Rita at jakyms@rogers.com or 905-725-3769 before March 25 since seating is first come-first served. The subsidized cost for the meal is \$35.00 or \$40.00 depending on selection. Open to all members. Contact Rita for further details.

SPRING FLING CARD PARTY: Tickets for the May 13th Card Party will go on sale in April. Gifts for the Card Party may be left in the box at the Church main entrance. Please don't leave cash or gift cards in the box. Contact Elsa at 905-728-2077.

Please Pray For All The Sick

And Those Who Love and Minister to Them

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