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# *St. Mary* *of the people parish*

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## **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

## **RECTORY OFFICE**

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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.

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# Mass for the Intentions Week

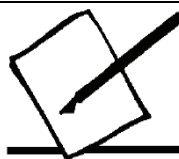
Sat Apr 13	5:00	Antonio Santos req Wife & Family
Sun Apr 14	9:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
	11:00	<b>Multiple Intention Mass</b>
		Edward Koric
		Oliviero Sabadin
		Norm Andrews
		Miriam Dizon Lumabas
		Lucia & Nicola Saccone
		Int Sarah Guardiani
Tues Apr 16	8:30	Mato Prskalo req Prskalo Family
	7:00	Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus especially Norm Andrews
Wed Apr 17	8:30	Mary & George King req Elsa & Garry
Thur Apr 18	8:30	<b>Multiple Mass Intentions</b>
		Fr Richard Love
		Helen Weir
		Mike & Anna Etere
		Maureen, Sarah & Francis Porter
		Int Wilf Clavette
Fri Apr 19	8:30	Int Maggie Bressan and Her Children req Bob Weindorfer
Sat Apr 20	8:30	George Hoskin req Marie Castelloux & Family
	5:00	Harry Lack Sr req The Family
Sun Apr 21	9:00	<b>Multiple Intention Mass</b>
		Tony Santos
		Violet Bakalar
		Emilio Trotta
		Domenico Taldone
		Mary Miller
		Hogan & Breen Family Members
		Int Lou Suszek
	11:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish

**ATTENTION: GRADE 12 GRADUATES OF MSGR. PAUL DWYER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL:** St. Mary's Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus present awards to graduates every year.

Applicants must be members of this parish who plan to pursue post-secondary education after graduation. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship from either the Knights of Columbus or the Catholic Women's League, kindly address a letter of no more than one page to the Grand Knight or the President and submit it to the Parish Office. In this letter, please state your future goals including whether you are planning to attend college or university, your report card average, details of your **involvement in your church parish** (sacraments, church attendance, capacity and duration of any contributions), details regarding your contribution to your school and community & details regarding financial need. **Letters are due to the Parish Office no later than May 1 2024**

**PARKING:** We have a limited amount of parking spaces in our church lot; however, we have access to McLaughlin Collegiate's lot on Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings. **Please do not block the driveways of houses neighbouring the church**

**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:** Awed and joyful as they were at Jesus' appearance, it still took the disciples a long time to realize that if they were to be his, they would share in his own vulnerability. Jesus told his disciples to be converted — that is, to assume a new vision of life. He wanted them to believe exactly what his cross revealed: The powers of oppression, hatred and clinging to dominating power will fail — not only in the end, but every time an innocent person stands up to them. That is why Jesus and his followers are so dangerous to the "great powers." By appearing, Jesus invited the disciples to move beyond fear and incredulity and to begin to act on the belief that the only lasting power is love — and that such love disturbs the violent more than any weapon ever can. Faith in the Resurrection calls us into a bold new way of loving, knowing that with God's help such a love can never be conquered.

**SHARE LIFE:** Through Share Life, you help refugees find safety and freedom. Your generous gift to Share Life is crucial for immigrants and refugees establishing a new life in Canada. Your love and support have not only provided them with safety and freedom, but have also given them the opportunity to create a brighter future in our community. Please donate at the parish using a Share Life envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

**RESIGNATION:** The Archdiocese of Toronto has a clergy personnel policy that indicates, in January of the year a priest turns 75, he is instructed to submit his resignation to the Archbishop. While my 75<sup>th</sup> birthday isn't until much later this year, I had to submit my resignation this past January. A few weeks ago, the Director of Clergy Personnel informed me that the Archbishop accepted my resignation and that I would be stepping down as pastor of St. Mary's this coming June 26<sup>th</sup>. I have mixed feeling about this change: over the past 17 years, I have had the opportunity to work with a lot of wonderful people, and, as a parish, we've navigated through some difficult times. I am also happy for the parish. I am confident that when my replacement is named, he will be an individual who will provide the parish the service they need and deserve. I intend to serve you the best I can until the end of June.

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM:** The Parish program for Grade Two students registered for **First Communion** will continue on **Sundays: April 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 18, 25 & May 02, 2024** at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

**VOCATIONS:** What could convince someone to turn to God? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or perhaps the story of the witness of your own life! If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.** [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, September 7, 2024, EWTN's Family Celebration is coming to Toronto, Canada! This long-awaited free event gives people the chance to see and meet their favorite EWTN hosts, be blessed with a day of prayer, faith-enriching talks, a celebration of faith and fellowship with our EWTN community! We are announcing it early so people far and wide can plan for it.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GENERAL MEETING:** Tuesday April 16. Mass at 7:00 PM. Mass will be offered for Norm Andrews followed by the meeting. **Please note that nominations for the 2024-2025 executive will begin tonight**

**37th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:**

**Saturday June 22, 2024**

Oshawa Airport Golf Club.

**\$90 per entrant.** Includes golf and luncheon

**Golf only \$60.00 - Meal only \$30.00**

**This year's format will be played as a team scramble.**

**We have 8 spots (2 foursomes) left**

Book now and ensure your participation in this year's event.

To register call Paul Power 905-725-3821 or the office 905-728-2212

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

**10th ANNUAL DURHAM CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION**

**GALA:** We invite you to join us on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> for the Gala Honoring Bishop Vincent Nguyen and the Distinguished Catholic Alumni at the Ajax Convention Centre; cocktails at 6:00 p.m.; Dinner at 7:00 p.m. All monies raised will go to the Durham Catholic Children's Foundation, which is committed to enhancing student well-being and academic success, by providing basic needs to some of the most vulnerable students in our Catholic school communities. To purchase tickets and to learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please visit [DurhamCatholicFoundation.ca/Gala](http://DurhamCatholicFoundation.ca/Gala).

**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.**

**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 have three divisions to serve our community. **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](http://www.cfsdurham.com) or contact Tania McClean, 905-725-3513.

**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE:** Thursday May 9 2024. Holy Family Pro-Life Group invites you to join them in Ottawa. A coach bus will leave at 6:45 am from Holy Family Parking lot. Cost is \$35. To reserve your spot please call Gwen: 905-259-8504



**BAKE SALE:** last weekend in April in the parish hall after all Masses. Proceeds will go to our parish and to Catholic charities.

**SPRING FLING CARD PARTY:** **Monday, May 13 at 7 o'clock** in the parish hall. Progressive Euchre (optional), prizes & a light lunch. Tickets: \$10.00. Gifts for the Card Party may be left in the box at the Church entrance. Please don't leave cash or gift cards in the box. For information re: tickets or donations, contact Elsa at 905-728-2077 or Rita at 905-725-3769.

**LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS: A HEALING RETREAT FOR ADULT CHILDREN OF DIVORCED OR SEPARATED PARENTS:**

This retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identify as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be Friday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Cost: \$290/person (\$190 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat materials. To register visit <https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2024>.

**ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE CELEBRATING**

**CHRISTIAN UNITY:** St. Gregory of Narek, a revered saint in the Oriental Orthodox Church, has recently come to our Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Join Archbishop Francis Leo and Bishop Abgar Hovakimyan (Primate of the Armenian Diocese of Canada) who will co-preside at a jointly prepared Armenian Vespers to celebrate this remarkable event on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m., hosted by Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church on 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough.



**And Those Who Love and Minister to Them**

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| Elisabeth Sanders | Anne Scholtes    | Ken Breen      |
| Alda Power        | Elisa Pellegrino | Dolly Richards |
| Damarys Peni      | Steve Kralj      | Joan Hodge     |
| Kim St. John      | Lydia Krechowicz | John Margach   |
| Marilyn Lyons     | Mona Wannamaker  | Mark Lyons     |

**Rest in Peace**

Madeline Johnson, Norm Andrews, Angela Kovcic, Stephen Turudic & Bert Dessailly, Grandfather of Jessica Sy

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