# 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.

#### 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. Joel Pabilona Jr - Pastor

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 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 1 5:00 (Int) Jeane Gauvin req Julia & Don Potter Sun Mar 2 9:00 All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

11:00 Multiple Intention Mass

John & Regina Francis Paul Desroches Enzo Tersigni Cecilia Timperley

Hilda Lopes Joe Bianco

(Int) De Filippis & Anderson family

Tue Mar 4 8:30 Franco Costantini req Gino & Luisa Romano

7:00 Living & Deceased Members of CWL especially Natalie Judge

Wed Mar 5 8:30 Enzo Tersigni req Gino & Luisa Romano

7:00 Joe Bianco req Rose & Andy Devlin

Thur Mar 6 8:30 Multiple Intention Mass

Antonio Santos

Ambrose & Margaret Francis

Ivan Viscovic

Mario, Lucia & Vincenzo Romano

Gerry Monaghan (Int) Janice Copeman

Fri Mar 7 8:30 Giuseppe & Rosa Stano reg Francis & Nino

7:00 (Int) Sam Bosnick reg Aline Bosnick

Sat Mar 8 8:30 Pasquale Cassano req Maria Cassano

5:00 Josevina Rosa Fernandes & Alcides Jeronimo

req by the family

Sun Mar 9 9:00 Multiple Intention Mass

Vito Grazio DeLigio Albin Francelj Souls in Purgatory

Deceased family members of Francis family

Enzo Tersigni

Giuseppe "Joe" Bianco (Int) Mary Ann Fox

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

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION: Students

registered for First Communion will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on **Thursday, March 6 at 7:00pm** in our parish. *Please keep them in your prayers*.

#### FIRST COMMUNION PREP CLASSES:

SUNDAYS – 12:15 P.M. – PARISH HALL

Mar. 23, 30, Apr. 6, 13

#### **CONFIRMATION PREP CLASSES:**

THURSDAYS - 7:00 P.M. - PARISH HALL

Apr. 3, 10, 24, May 1

» Bring Sponsor's Letter



## From the Pastor's Desk

Today's readings exhort us Christian disciples to form ourselves — mind and heart — in imitation of Christ so we can better reflect His goodness in our daily lives. The first reading from Sirach offers timeless counsel: "the fruit of a tree shows the care it has had: so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks." Jesus uses the very same analogy in today's Gospel reading from Luke: "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit." Everything we have is a gift from God to be used for His honor and glory. This includes the gift of speech and, even more broadly, all forms of modern-day communication — email, text, TikTok, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and the rest. What comes forth from our mouths, or keyboard, or phone, reflects what is in our minds and hearts. Our ability to communicate with each other is itself a gift which we must steward well. In the same Gospel passage, Jesus reminds us, "No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher." The more time we spend with Jesus, our teacher, through regular prayer and a strong sacramental life, the more we will become like Him. Then all that we do and say (and tweet and post) will bring others to closer to Him. This is the life's work of the Christian steward. It is privileged work indeed,

#### ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 - MASSES 8:30am, 10:00am (School Mass) & 7:00pm

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. During this Lenten Season, additional Mass will be celebrated at **7:00pm on Fridays followed by the Stations of the**Cross starting March 7. Please join us as we prayerfully meditate on Christ's suffering and sacrifice. Visit Archdiocese of Toronto Lent resource page:

https://bit.ly/archTO-lent

#### RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM

The Religious Articles Room is open after weekend Masses.

The 2025 St. Joseph Missal are available for \$5.00 each. Clearance sale of various gift items is in effect at this time. Make an offer. For more information or to request specific item, call Joey 905-576-3386 or 905-439-9047 (cell)

#### **O SPRING FORWARD O**

Next **Sunday**, **March 9**, please remember that clocks will "*spring forward*" one hour for Daylight Saving Time. Make sure to change your clocks next weekend so you make it to church on time!



**EXECUTIVE MEETING**: Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall

**GENERAL MEETING**: Tuesday, March 18 Mass at 7:00 p.m. meeting to follow in the parish hall

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

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

16<sup>TH</sup> Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference Saturday, March 22, 2025

9:00am – 4:00pm at the Old Mill (incl light lunch)

Closing Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert Kasun CSB To register go to <a href="https://dwf2025.eventbrite.ca">dwf2025.eventbrite.ca</a>
For more information call 416-907-1042 ask for Dorothy Pilarski

#### REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Have you considered remembering our parish in your Will? The Church is where we experience many important moments in our lives. A bequest is a beautiful way to express your faith and gratitude for a lifetime of blessings – a lasting legacy of love that will help the Church continue with its many ministries. When making your Will, please consider a bequest to St. Mary of the People Parish.

For more information please call the parish office or the Development Office at 416-934-3411 ext 519 or visit www.archtoronto.org/development

#### THE LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2025 Saturday, March 29, 2025

The Annual Life Jesus Higher Rally is coming up and we are pleased to annouce that we will be celebrating the 33<sup>rd</sup> year of coming together in praise and worship on Saturday, March 29, 2025 at The Metro Toronto Convention Centre (North Building), Toronto. The theme this year, "Power From on High" encourages us to remember and focus on the source of our strenght. Time 9:00am – 5:30pm · Adult Rally \$39/Youth Rally \$25 · For tickets and information, visit: www.lihr.ca

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GENERAL MEETING – Tuesday, March 4 in the church hall following Mass at 7 o'clock. The guest speaker will be a representative from Gate 3:16, an organization in Oshawa reaching out to individuals experiencing homelessness. Members are asked to bring cereals and jams which will be donated to the Centre. Note: Gifts for the Card Party may also be brought to the hall that evening.

**PRAYERFUL VISITATION**: the ladies of the CWL will be visiting home-bound members and parishioners to spread the word of God through prayer and the rosary - if you would like two ladies to visit your home for conversation and prayer, please contact Donna at 289-979-7701 or totalreflexhealth@gmail.com. Volunteers are needed.

#### **SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2025**

As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on **March 30**, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal, addressing the growing needs in our communities. By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues
- help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten
- distribute food to families in our community
- form priests and deacons who will minister in our parishes

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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

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