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.

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 May 17 5:00 + Ivan Viscovic req Barbara Staresinic

Sun May 18 9:00 Multiple Intention Mass

+ Giuseppe & Angela Scanga

+ Albin Francelj

Souls in Purgatory

+ Giovanni, Mariana, Vincenzo Corvinelli

(Int) Jean Gauvin

+ Jack Del Gatto

(Int) Maureen O'Kelly

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

Tue May 20 8:30 + Jessica Whitney reg the family

7:00 Living & Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Wed May 21 8:30 + Joseph Staresinic req Brando & Ellen Defillipis

Thur May 22 8:30 Multiple Intention Mass

- + Valentino Pulla
- + Peter Van Warmerdam
- + Marjorie Sattler
- + Enzo Tersigni
- + Pasquale & Giacomo Del Gatto

(Int) Jim & Mary McTeague

Fri May 23 8:30 (Int) Riccuitto Family req Encoranata Pulla

Sat May 24 8:30 + Luisa Marcoccia req Tersigni family

5:00 + Patrick Jamie Treacy req Treacy family

Sun May 25 9:00 All parishioners of St. Mary of the People

11:00 Multiple Intention Mass

- + Ivan Viscovic
- + Steven Tomasevic
- + Lina & Joseph Miniaci
- + June Timperley
- + Edward Koric
- + Virgilia & Alfredo Sugarol

(Int) Irma & Joe Dus

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Thus far we have raised \$28,307.00 toward our goal of \$53,000.00. June 8th is our next collection. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



From the Pastor's Desk

Fifth Sunday of Easter: Today's readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter contain inspiring but challenging messages for us Christian stewards. The Gospel from John includes this well-known verse: "My children...I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. What a succinct description of a stewardship way of life. It sounds so simple. But simple does not necessarily mean easy. How exactly is Jesus Calling us to love? As He, Himself loved. Jesus loved (and loves) by serving us and by making a sacrifice of His very life for us. That is a tall order. Living a life of service and self-sacrifice is not easy because it requires us to continuously fight against our selfish inclinations. But the more we empty ourselves of "self" by serving others, the more room we make in our hearts for God to pour His grace into us. Amazingly, the more we give our lives away to others, the more He fills us up with Himself who is love itself.. And amid the inevitable challenging moments this way of life entails we can be assured that the Lord who loves us so much that He died for us and established the Eucharist to be our strength and nourishment, is right here with us every step of the way. As we face the hardships that come with living as Christian stewards, we can continue to rejoice in the wonder of the Resurrection this Easter season, finding great joy in following in our Lord's footsteps and in loving as He loves.

Cardinal Leo's Message on the Election of Pope Leo XIV

I invite the faithful in the Archdiocese of Toronto to be united in faith and devotion, interceding earnestly each day for His Holiness, just as we do at every Mass, lifting him up in our prayer intentions. Let us be obedient and loving to this Servant of the Servants of God, supporting his leadership and shepherding ministry for the growth of the Church, walking along the path of holiness. It is truly a new chapter in the life of the ecclesial Body of Christ that has just begun and one which engages each of us in the evangelizing efforts to bring the Gospel to life in our families, communities and entire archdiocese, with renewed vigour and zeal, through both our words and actions. In a world in desperate need of hope, truth, unity and compassion, let us follow the lead of the Bishop of Rome and Supreme Pontiff on this common and grace-filled journey of faith.

May the reign of our beloved Pope Leo XIV be marked by peace, communion, and a renewed commitment to carrying the saving message of Christ to all corners of the earth, reaching every heart, touching every life, strengthening every family. May he be a visible source of unity in the Catholic and Apostolic faith and of communion for the entire Christian people. We call upon the powerful intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church and St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, to protect and inspire, comfort and assist the Vicar of Christ, our spiritual father, as he begins his Petrine ministry to build up the Kingdom of Christ, to the praise and glory of Almighty God and for the salvation of souls.

>>> Read Cardinal Leo's full message on our website.

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 at (905) 576-3386 or (905) 439-9047 (cell)



GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, May 20th Mass at 7:00pm meeting to follow in the parish hall.

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

PARISH LIFE

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY: FREE Rosary & leaflets on how to say the Rosary will be at the church lobby! Let's pray together and keep the faith strong – one bead at a time!

CONGRATULATIONS to the Confirmation Children and Adults: We would like to offer our congratulations to the 30 members of our parish who answered the call to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This special event was celebrated in our parish on Thursday, May 15th.

<u>VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY</u>: Please note that on **Monday**, **May 19**th **the parish office will be closed**, our regular schedule will resume Tuesday.

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS: On the weekend of May 24th/25th we will have a special collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>: We can always use new Altar Servers. Just let us know at the parish office or talk to Fr. Joel. Also, tell us what Mass time you prefer to serve. Thank you to all our faithful ministers and children who cover these important part of the liturgy.

<u>CALLING ALL GARDENERS</u>: We are in need of volunteers to get our gardens in shape. We will be having a load of topsoil delivered to freshen up the gardens. If you are able to help, please show up on **Wednesday**, **May 22**nd at **10:00am**. Please wheelbarrow & shovel if you have.

<u>VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATION NIGHT</u>: To express our sincere gratitude, St. Mary's volunteers are invited for Volunteers Appreciation Night on **Wednesday, May 28**th from 5:00pm to 9:00pm in the parish hall. Please confirm on or before May 20th...Hope to see you there!

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING: Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in July 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



<u>POTLUCK DINNER</u> – Tuesday, June 3 in the parish hall –Dinner at 6 o'clock followed by a brief meeting & Presentation of Pins. All ladies of the parish are invited. Bring your favourite dish or dessert & join us. Mass will not be celebrated prior to the event.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOLARSHIP: offered each year by the Toronto Diocesan CWL to a young woman graduating high school this year who wishes to attend St. Michael's College, University of Toronto. **Deadline to apply: May 31**. For information re: criteria and/or application forms go to www.cwltoronto/resources/reference.

Registration is now open for the next webinar in the 2025 Parish Vitality Webinar Series: Small Groups: Dynamic Power for the Parish, May 21, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Parish vitality is enhanced when people connect in meaningful ways. Small groups can help to create a dynamic space for faith to grow, relationships to deepen and discipleship to flourish. Whether you're starting from scratch or revitalizing an existing ministry, this Parish Vitality Webinar will seek to equip you with practical tools to recruit, facilitate and sustain small groups that inspire and transform. Join us as we explore how small groups can help to ignite a renewed sense of mission!

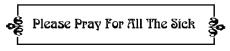
Guest Presenter: Fr. Frank DeSiano, CSP REGISTER: https://bit.ly/PVWS-RegisterMay2025

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org

JUBILEE 2025:

Day with Mary - Saturday May 31, 2025: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Villanova College, 2480 15th Sideroad, King City, Ont. L7B 0P5 During this Jubilee Holy Year, come spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope. Join us for Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address with Dr. Josephine Lombardi, inspiring witnessing for the adults and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd activities for the children. Draw closer to Mother Mary in praying the rosary together. Enjoy fellowship with families from across the Archdiocese of Toronto at this outdoor gathering. Admission is free but registration is required. All are welcome! Learn more and register: www.archtoronto.org/mary

As Cardinal Leo wrote in his recent letter on Mary for the month of May: During this Holy Jubilee Year we have been called to live in hope, finding hope in God and His actions in the world (cf. Spes non Confundit, 7). Pope Francis calls Mother Mary "the supreme witness" to hope. She is the mother who pondered God's will, who never gave into despair or a sense of abandonment, who looked to the future of eternal bliss, and who selflessly gave herself to the will of God out of love (cf. CCC, 1818).



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