
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

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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. Aug 30	5:00	+ Andre Laviolette req by Brenda Brandreth
Sun. Aug 31	9:00	Multiple Intention Mass
		+ Ted Mizzi
		+ Joseph Staresinic
		+ Barbara & Nick Novak
		+ Leticia Moreto
		Mother of Perpetual Succour
	11:00	All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People
Tue. Sep 2	8:30	(Int) Fr. Joel Pabilona
		req by Fr. Christopher Reynolds
	7:00	Living & Deceased members of CWL especially Elisabeth Sanders
Wed. Sep 3	8:30	+ Peggy Gauvin req by Jeanne Gauvin & family
Thur. Sep 4	8:30	Multiple Intention Mass
		+ Emerise Bourgeois
		+ Anthony & Josephine Joseph
		+ Christopher, Bradley, Adelaide, & Joseph Traynor
		(Int) Anne Doyle
Fri. Sep 5	8:30	(Int) Ken & Laurette Cavanagh's 18 th Anniversary
		req by Marion Place Tenant's Association
Sat. Sep 6	8:30	All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People
	5:00	Special Intention for Fr. Joel Pabilona's 40 th Ordinary Anniversary
Sun. Sep 7	9:00	+ Enzo Tersigni req by Sandina Vona & family
	11:00	Multiple Intention Mass
		+ Tina & Renato Colangeli
		+ Vito Grazio Deligio
		+ Gilda Romano
		+ Nicola Marchitelli
		+ Enzo Tersigni
		+ Anthony Godfrey
		+ Elma Lyons

CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER JOEL ON HIS 40TH SACERDOTAL ANNIVERSARY!

We joyfully celebrate Fr. Joel's 40 years of faithful priestly ministry and give thanks to God for his dedication, love, and service to our parish community.

"I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding." – Jeremiah 3:15

As a parish family, we are deeply grateful for your guidance, compassion, and unwavering commitment to bringing Christ's love to all of us, not to mention the joy you bring with your beautiful singing voice at Mass!

Join us on Sunday, September 7th, after all Masses in the Parish Hall for COFFEE SUNDAY as we express our gratitude, share fellowship, and personally extend our best wishes to Fr. Joel. A special box will be available in the hall for your cards and messages of congratulations. All are warmly invited!



Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Today's readings remind us of a chief virtue that characterizes the Christian steward: **humility**. This is a virtue that is widely thought of as a form of self-abasement. That understanding, however, is off the mark. Humility is simply the awareness of who (and Whose) we truly are. Our Lord speaks of true humility in our Gospel passage from Luke, telling the parable of the guests invited to a wedding banquet and instructing us not to seek a place of honor at the banquet table, lest a more distinguished guest arrives and we are asked to move to a lower place. Jesus has much more in mind here than an etiquette lesson. He is reminding us that all glory belongs to God. The visual image He offers in having to slide down to a lower seat at the table points out how silly we are when we forget to give God the credit for our blessings and talents. On the other hand, when we live in humility — recognizing that all we have is a gift from God and using those gifts to serve Him and others — then God "exalts" us by filling us with even more of Himself and His grace. Jesus goes on to encourage us to serve and share our blessings with people facing circumstances that would make it impossible for them to offer us any worldly advantage or prestige — "the poor, the crippled, the lame." Our attitude and how we serve and share should be centered on true humility — recognizing that we are all "little" ones in the eyes of God. We are all His children; brothers and sisters invited to our Father's heavenly banquet.

PARISH LIFE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for enthusiastic and caring volunteers to join our Liturgy of the Word with Children program and assist with Sacramental Preparation for our young parishioners. Whether you're a teacher, a parent, or simply someone with a passion for sharing the Good News, this is a wonderful opportunity to be part of a joyful and meaningful ministry. Please call the parish office or speak with Fr. Joel.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN: We are excited to announce that our **Liturgy of the Word with Children** program is planned to begin this **October** during the **11:00 am Mass**. This special ministry serves students from **Grade 1 to Grade 3**, helping them learn about Jesus and grow in their love for God in a way they can understand. Please have your children join us!

EMAIL SCAM ALERT: There has been a sharp increase in the number of fake/scam emails being received by parishioners throughout the archdiocese. These emails usually sent from Gmail accounts operated by scammers appear to be from a priest and often request the purchase of gift cards or electronic payments. Please exercise caution should you receive an email like this and contact the parish to validate its authenticity.

CHALICE CHILD SPONSORSHIP: Chalice is coming to our parish at the **September 13th – 14th Masses**, please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and their mission.

KEEP YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR PARISH ALIVE. PLEASE REMEMBER ST. MARY OF THE PEOPLE IN YOUR WILL



EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 7:00pm, in the parish hall.

GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, Sept. 16, Mass at 7:00pm meeting to follow in hall at 7:45pm.

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

MISSION CO-OP SUNDAY

Today, we welcome Sr. Servatrix Joseph, representing the **Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara** from Tanga, Tanzania.

This growing congregation of over 600 African nuns was founded by Rt. Rev. Bishop Eugen Arthurs, I.C., in collaboration with the Precious Blood Sisters (CPS), to serve the needs of the local church. Today, their ministries extend beyond their diocese, reaching some of the most poor and deprived communities in northeastern Tanzania.

The Sisters' work includes:

- Teaching religious education and preparing catechists.
- Running schools, high schools, and a Montessori training college.
- Caring for the sick, malnourished children, and orphans affected by malaria, HIV/AIDS, and other diseases.
- Providing food, shelter, and daily support to those in need.
- Offering medical services through St. Joseph Health Center, which serves a large population but struggles with medication shortages, lack of medical equipment, and power outages that put lives at risk during surgery.

Funds from this year's Mission Co-op Program will help the Sisters purchase a generator for St. Joseph Health Center (goal: \$40,000) and address severe water shortages in their schools and communities.

As a local congregation, the Sisters intimately know the struggles and opportunities of their people. They rely on our prayers and support to continue their mission of faith and service.

Your generosity will be a blessing to their vital ministry. Next weekend we will have a second collection for Mission Co-Op, please donate using the designated envelopes available in the church lobby and keep the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara in your prayers.



Cardinal Leo encourages you to reach out to your neighbour in need *"We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold."*

Please give generously and wholeheartedly through sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a ShareLife envelope.

**Thank you very much for supporting our parish campaign
2025 Report-To-Date (our Goal \$53,000.00)**

Through Parish: \$32,484.00	} Total: \$51,309.51 96.8%
Through Diocese: \$18,125.51	
St. Christopher School: \$700.00	



BAZAAR RAFFLE TICKETS: Books of tickets are now available at all church doors. Every parishioner is urged to sign out at least one book in support of our Nov. 8th bazaar. Returns may be brought to the Religious Articles Room or may be placed in the collection basket in an **envelope marked "raffle tickets."**

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.

♪ JOIN OUR PARISH CHOIR! ♪

We are looking for men and women with or without music experience to join our parish choir!



First Practice: Wednesday, September 10

Time: 7:15 PM – 9:00 PM

Entrance: Please use the south door, near the entrance to the church office. Your gift of time and presence will help lift our worship and inspire our parish family. **All are welcome!!**

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM

All greeting cards \$1.00 each or five for \$4.00 and free holy pictures to tuck inside. Browse the room anytime it is open. Call Joey at (905) 576-3386 or (905) 439-9047 (cell) for any requests or questions.

VOCATION SEEDS

Humble yourself and you will find favour with God. Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord if He is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of

Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

FROM OUR NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (130 Watford Street, Brooklin): Marriage Prep Course will be in the evenings on April 30, May 1 & May 2, 2026. For more information, please contact the office at [905 655 3286](tel:9056553286) ext 1.

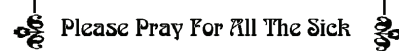
St. Joseph the Worker Parish (1100 Mary St. N, Oshawa): Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, if you, or someone you know in our community would like to become a Catholic, please speak to Fr. David. Our RCIA program will begin in the Fall.

THE CATHOLIC REGISTER

The next paper copy publication date will be on September 7th.

Weekly copies will be at the doors of the church. You can also find The Catholic Register online at catholicregister.org

*I would like to thank everyone for the tabs that were given to me by you all.
Thank you, Don Aiken*



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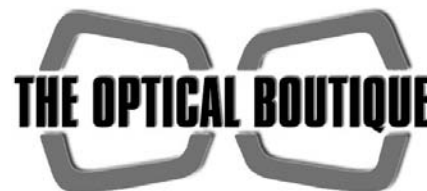
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