
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. Sep 6	5:00	Special Intention for Fr. Joel Pabilona's 40 th Ordination 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
Tue. Sep 9	8:30	+ Mario, Lucia & Vincenzo Romano req by Rita Romano
Wed. Sep 10	8:30	+ Mary & Tom Pigden and Bernard & Annie Freeman req by Ed & Monica Freeman
Thur. Sep 11	8:30	Multiple Intention Mass
		Thanksgiving Mass by Douglas Francis & family
		(Int) Janice Copeman
		(Int) Mark & Michael Antonik
		(Int) Denise & Don Walmsley
		(Int) Doug & Dulce Yaeger
Fri. Sep 12	8:30	(Int) Doug & Dulce Yaeger req by Linda Bertolo
Sat. Sep 13	8:30	All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People
	5:00	+ Regina Rhiel-Cairns req by Guimond
Sun. Sep 14	9:00	Multiple Intention Mass
		Deceased members of Demichino family
		+ Giuseppe & Angela Scanga
		+ Sheila Power
		+ Albin Francelj
		+ Pasquale & Giacomo Del Gatto
		+ Donato Cappuccitti
		Souls in Purgatory
	11:00	All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

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 third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Today's readings remind us of the serious demands of discipleship. Jesus tells us in the Gospel that unless we put Him above family, possessions, and even our own lives, we cannot be His disciples. He is not speaking about emotions, but about priorities — He must come first.

He adds: "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." Discipleship is all or nothing. We are called to give ourselves — our lives, families, and parish — completely to Him.

Why such a hard teaching? Because Jesus knows us. He knows that if we cling to possessions, status, or ego, we will never find peace. Only in Him can our hearts be satisfied.

We were made to follow Him. When we embrace stewardship as a way of life, we learn to count the cost — and then follow Him with joy and freedom.

PARISH LIFE

MAINTENANCE FUND COLLECTION: Today we will have a second collection for our Maintenance Fund. This fund will alleviate the expense involved in church projects. Thank you for your support.

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!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN BAPTIZED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

Parents who wish their children to receive the sacraments are asked to contact the parish office for details on how to proceed.

FIRST COMMUNION – Registration & Parents' Meeting: **Thursday, Sept. 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.**

CONFIRMATION – Registration & Parents' Meeting: **Thursday, Oct. 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.**

Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

Registration forms are available at the parish office. For students attending St. Christopher School, forms will be distributed at the school on Sept. 17th.

CHALICE CHILD SPONSORSHIP: Chalice is coming to our parish at the **September 13th – 14th Masses**, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. These children in extreme poverty who need your support to excel in their education and fulfill their God-given potential. Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and their mission.

FORMED.ORG: *How to register?* Go to the website and find your parish subscription tab: enter St. Mary of the People then create New Account. Enjoy and it's free!



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

Last weekend we welcome Sr. Servatrix Joseph to speak to us about the needs of the poor and deprived communities in northeastern Tanzania. 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. **Today we will have a second collection for Mission Co-Op appeal**, please donate using the designated envelopes available in the church lobby. The proceeds collected will be forwarded directly by the Archdiocese of Toronto to the mission. We thank you for your generosity towards those in greatest need and keep the Sisters of Our Lady of Usambara in your prayers.



**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	

CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS ISSUES STATEMENT ON HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN GAZA

On August 25, 2025, the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) issued a statement in response to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza. The statement calls attention to the suffering population of Gaza, particularly children and the elderly, whose lives continue to be endangered due to the ongoing violence and severe deprivation, as well as to the mounting casualties on all sides.

The members of the Permanent Council echo Pope Leo XIV's recent statements about the war and they remind the faithful in Canada to fast and pray for lasting peace in the Holy Land. Access the full statement at: <https://bit.ly/news-Gaza>.

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!!***



BAKE SALE: Sat. Sept. 20 and & Sun. 21 in the parish hall after all Masses. Proceeds will go to our parish and to Catholic charities.

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."**

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed so generously to Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children School Supplies Drive held in August.

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.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals



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3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code
2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebSept27
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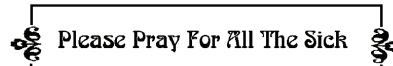
FROM OUR NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

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.

VOCATION SEEDS

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org
Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca



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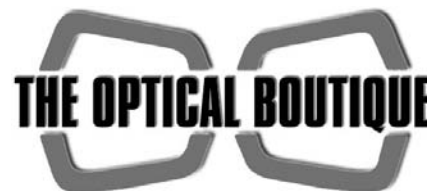
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