
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. Nov. 29 5:00 + Gerry Monaghan req by Linda & family
 Sun. Nov. 30 9:00 + Barbara & Michael Staresinic
 11:00 **Multiple Intention Mass**
 + Cecilia Timperley
 + Domenico Rocchio
 + Carmine Carpino
 + Damien McNerney
 + Enzo Nave
 Deceased Citano family members
 Deceased Pulla family members
 Tue. Dec. 2 8:30 + Valentino, Cesina, & Michael Pulla
 req by Anna Pulla
 Wed. Dec. 3 8:30 + Domenico Sirizzotti req by Tersigni family
 Thur. Dec. 4 8:30 **Multiple Intention Mass**
 + Giovanni, Mariana, and Vincenzo Corvinelli
 + Maria Karcich
 + Helen Weir
 + Rev. Fr. Richard Love
 + Anna & Mike Etere
 + Mike Morrison
 Fri. Dec. 5 8:30 + Art Iezzi req by Anna Maria Iezzi
 Sat. Dec. 6 8:30 + Jacqueline Gurr req by Aiken family
 5:00 + Elisabeth Sanders req by Sue & Vince Tremblay
 Sun. Dec. 7 9:00 **Multiple Intention Mass**
 + Magdalena & Eugenio De Carlo
 + Vito Grazio Deligio
 + Albin Francelj
 + Joseph Radovic
 + Enzo Tersigni
 + Adelaide Tessier
 Souls in Purgatory
 11:00 All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

MESSAGE FOR ADVENT FROM His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo

"I am writing to you in anticipation of the upcoming season of Advent, a blessed time of waiting, expectation, and preparation for the coming of Christ and for the annual celebration of his birth. As Pilgrims of Hope our Advent observances recall and solidify our hope in the loving mercy of God and in his abiding presence in our lives and in the life of the Church. We prayerfully recognize that Christ's coming – to Bethlehem, in the Eucharist, and at the end of time in glory – fulfills the deepest human desire for reconciliation (cf. St. Bernard of Clairvaux, *Adventu Domini*, Sermo V). To experience Advent during the Jubilee Holy Year is to allow the mystery of God's mercy to shape our waiting, so that we prepare not just for Christmas day and its beautiful celebrations and festivities, but for the fullness of life that Christ brings both now and at the end of time.

The Advent cry of the prophets - "O that you would tear open the heavens and come down" (Is 64:1) - expresses our longing for liberation and peace."

Read Archbishop Leo's full message on our website or on our bulletin board.



First Sunday of Advent: Today we begin the beautiful season of Advent — a time of preparation for both the birth of Christ and His return in glory. The Prophet Isaiah invites us, "Come, let us climb the Lord's mountain... that He may instruct us in His ways." Advent is that climb — a call to slow down, to listen, and to walk more closely with God. While the world urges us to rush, spend, and perfect our celebrations, Christ calls us to prepare our hearts. Let's use this season wisely: pray more, serve others, go to Confession, and spend time with family in faith. If we do, we'll be ready to celebrate a truly meaningful Christmas — and ready to welcome our Savior when He comes again.

PARISH LIFE

MAINTENANCE FUND: Next weekend we will have a second collection for Maintenance Fund. This collection is taken up once a month for the physical needs of our parish, Thank you for your generous support.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2026: Please note that Masses for 2026 will be available **Wednesday, December 3rd at 9:30am** in the church lobby.

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS:

- **Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2025** •
 10:00am – 11:30am; 2:00pm – 4:00pm; 7:00pm – 8:00pm
- **Thursday, Dec. 18, 2025** •
 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- **Friday, Dec. 19, 2025** •
 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Seniors' Christmas Party

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 12 NOON IN THE PARISH HALL, ALL SENIORS OF OUR PARISH ARE WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY! COME ENJOY FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS, JOYFUL CHRISTMAS CAROLS, AND—YES—A SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA HIMSELF! IT'S A WONDERFUL CHANCE TO SHARE LAUGHTER, FRIENDSHIP, AND THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON. THIS CHEERFUL CELEBRATION IS PROUDLY SPONSORED BY THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AND THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FIRST COMMUNION

We congratulate all our First Communion candidates who received their crosses last weekend. Wear your cross proudly, and always remember: **Jesus loves you deeply and walks with you every day.**

Session #3: Sunday, Dec. 14th at 12:15pm

CONFIRMATION

Our Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation will take place on Sunday, Nov. 30th at the 11:00am Mass. Congratulations to all students receiving their crosses this weekend.

Session #3: Thursday, Dec. 11th at 6:00pm

Let us continue to keep these wonderful children in our prayers.



EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday, Dec. 2nd at 7:00pm in the parish hall

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Saturday, Dec. 6th will be held in the parish boardroom on the north side of the Church at 10:30am until approximately 11:30am. **Next schedule: Dec. 20th**

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Tuesday, Dec. 9th at the Canadian Brewhouse (2710 Simcoe St. N, Oshawa) to reserve your spot, call Grand Knight Colum Wood at 289-240-0223

GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, Dec. 16th, 7:00pm Mass followed by meeting in the parish hall.

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



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

Wed., Dec. 24th Christmas Eve

7:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m. (No 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Thurs., Dec. 25th Christmas Day

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (No 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Fri., Dec. 26th – No Mass

Wed., Dec. 31st Feast of the Holy Family

8:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Thurs., Jan. 1st Solemnity of Mary

10:00 a.m. (No 8:30 a.m. Mass)



CHRISTMAS DINNER - Sunday, December 7 at Bella Notte Ristorante in Whitby – dinner at 12:30 p.m. followed by a brief meeting. For more information contact Rita at 905-725-3769 or jakyms@rogers.com.

THANK YOU to everyone who took part in the IPV Walk (Intimate Partner Violence) or donated to the cause, especially our CWL members and Knights of Columbus. This year \$1,000.00 was raised to be donated to Catholic Family Services of Durham, specifically to the **Sister Pat Grant Award**. This award assists with education expenses for a woman emerging from domestic violence.

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

Your gift to ShareLife will double in value!

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000. ShareLife-funded agencies and Food Security Grant recipients are responding to families facing difficult situations, comforting seniors with fellowship, distributing meals to our neighbours in need, and so much more. Your sacrificial gift this Advent makes this support possible. You offer immediate relief, restore hope, and remind your brothers and sisters in Christ that they are not alone; that there is a family of faith who cares deeply for them.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM IS OPEN AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

New Christmas Cards are Available. Enclose a prayer card. Consider gifting a Christmas Ornaments, Crucifix, or Large Print Bible to a senior for Christmas. The **2026 St. Joseph Sunday Missals** are now available at a cost of \$5.00 each. Call Joey at (905) 576-3386 or (905) 439-9047 (cell) for inquiries.

REJOICE! St. Michael Choir School Christmas Concert **Saturday, December 13, 2025 at 7:00pm**

This is year's Christmas concert, REJOICE!: Jubilee Celebration – **60 Years at Massey Hall** marks a sacred milestone in the life of St. Michael's Choir School. As they celebrate six decades of music in this historic space, we embrace the spirit of the Jubilee Year of Hope and anticipate the birth of our Lord. Tickets are now available at www.masseyhall.com. Please use promo code: **STARLIGHT**. For ticket information, please call the Massey Hall Box Office at 416-872-4255.

VOCATION SEEDS

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997
Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca



Anne Scholtes
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Ryan Steh

Rest in Peace

Elena Iantomasi

Francesco Mazzotta
Larry Little

Maria Karcich



St. Joseph the Worker Parish – CWL Christmas Bazaar: Saturday, Dec. 6th at 9:30am.

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church – Christmas Concert: Saturday, Dec. 20th starts at 7:00pm; Admission: Freewill Offering

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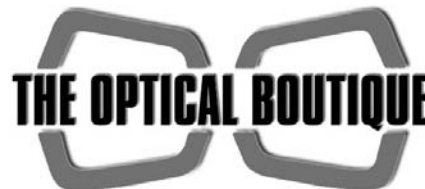


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