
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 INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14th

5:00 p.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

Sunday, March 15th – 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. + Alcides Jeronimo req by Jeronimo family

11:00 a.m. Multiple Intention Mass

- + Domenico Rocchio
- + Gilda Romano
- + Nicola Marchitelli
- + Jinky, Roque, & Ronel Pacilan
- + Catherine Cantwell
- + Franco Costantini
- Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, March 17th – St. Patrick

8:30 a.m. + William McPherson req by Whitney family

7:00 p.m. Living & deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, March 18th – St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8:30 a.m. + Annie Novak req by Justa Matasic

Thursday, March 19th – St. Joseph

8:30 a.m. Multiple Intention Mass

- (Int) Kathy Kirk
- + Albin Francelj
- + Carmelita Ring
- + Mike Filipovic
- + Mark Rerecich
- Souls in Purgatory

Friday, March 20th

8:30 a.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

7:00 p.m. All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

Saturday, March 21st

8:30 a.m. + Patrick Sullivan req by the family

5:00 p.m. + Jeannette Pellerin req by Msgr. Philip Coffey
Friends

Sunday, March 22nd – 5th Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Multiple Intention Mass

- + Domenic Citano
- + Giuseppe & Angela Scanga
- + Jack Delgatto
- (Int) Domenico & Lina Pepe – 70th Anniversary

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

LET US PRAY

For all the those who are sick in our parish community:

Terence Floyd Lucio & Carmen Flores Sue Tremblay

For the Recently Deceased:

Agnes McColgan

DONATION ENVELOPE #117

Envelope #117, please contact the parish office at your earliest convenience to confirm your information.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today's readings call us from darkness into the light of Christ. St. Paul reminds us, "You were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light."

A stewardship way of life helps us live in that light by guiding how we use our time, talent, and treasure to reflect Christ in our daily choices.

In the Gospel, Jesus heals the man born blind, who simply says, "He opened my eyes." This Lent, we ask the Lord to open our eyes as well — to see as God sees and to live more fully as children of the light.

PARISH LIFE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday evening during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held immediately following the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

MARCH BREAK: Happy March Break to all our students and teachers! May it be a safe, joyful, and refreshing week for everyone.

LITURGICAL VOLUNTEER: As we prepare for our Lenten events, we invite you to consider serving in our celebrations. The sign up sheet is now posted.

DONATION BOXED ENVELOPES: We still have a number of unclaimed donation boxes. This is a friendly reminder to please pick up your box as soon as possible. They are located in the church lobby.

EASTER FLOWER COLLECTION: Our Easter Flower Collection will take place on the weekend of March 21/22. This collection will be taken together with your regular offering.

FIRST COMMUNION LAST SESSION: Sunday, March 22nd

LENTEN CONFESSION DATES & TIMES:

Wednesday, March 25th: 9:30 – 11:00am & 2:00 – 4:00pm

Thursday, March 26th: 2:00 – 4:00pm & 6:00 – 8:00pm

Friday, March 27th: 6:00 – 7:00pm

CONFIRMATION: Session #5, Thursday, March 26th at 6:00pm



PASCHAL TRIDUUM AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 29th – Palm Sunday Mass

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 2nd – Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 p.m. (No 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Friday, April 3rd – The Lord's Passion
3:00 p.m. (This is the only Mass today)

Saturday, April 4th – Easter Vigil Mass
8:00 p.m. (This is the only Mass today)

MARCH 15, 2026



Knights of Columbus

GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, March 17th, Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by meeting in the hall.

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

SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT OPTION

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust, and many others. For more information, contact our office at development@archtoronto.org.

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2026

You can help men answer God's call to priesthood by supporting ShareLife

God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi's heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine's Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. His path has been one of both grace and challenge, yet he has walked forward without fear—because of you. Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

The **first ShareLife Sunday collection is on March 22**. Our parish goal this year is **\$65,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

PASTA SOCIAL INVITATION

Everyone is warmly invited to a **Pasta Social** hosted by the **Russo Family** and **St. Mary's Knights of Columbus**! Join us on **Saturday, April 11 at 6:00 PM**. This special event is held in loving memory of Domenic Russo. All proceeds will support the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary of the People Parish.

Tickets: \$60 per person

Where to buy: Available in the church lobby after all weekend Masses or by calling the parish office during weekdays.

We look forward to seeing you there!

17TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

When: Saturday, March 21st 2026

Where: Le Treport Banquet Hall, Mississauga

Contact: Dorothy Pilarski at 416-907-1042

Register: dwf2026.eventbrite.ca

Visit their website: www.dynamicwomenfaith.com



FIRST DAY OF SPRING
FRIDAY, MARCH 20



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CONGRATULATIONS to Ciaran Doyle of St. Christopher School who won the Regional Public Speaking Contest last week. Ciaran will go on to represent our parish at the Toronto Diocesan contest on March 28.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION: Monday, April 27 & Tuesday, April 28 in Ajax – members wishing to register for the convention or to purchase tickets for the Tuesday evening banquet, contact Ann Marie at 905-579-0897. **Deadline April 10.**

SPRING FLING CARD PARTY - Monday, April 20 at 7 o'clock in the parish hall. Progressive Euchre (optional), prizes & a light lunch. **Doors open at 6:30 p.m.** Tickets: \$10.00. Gifts for the Card Party may be left in the box at the Church entrance. Please don't leave cash or gift cards in the box. For information or tickets contact Elsa at 905-728-2077.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM IS OPEN AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

Items suitable for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation gifts are available. New stock items can be ordered. New revised St. Joseph Bibles can be ordered. Call Joey at (905) 576-3386 or (905) 439-9047 (cell) for request.

VOCATION SEEDS

"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? 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

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE A MEANINGFUL AND HISTORICAL CEREMONY

Monday, March 23, 7 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple

A Teaching Seder is being organized for Christians to experience this Jewish ceremonial meal first-hand. This tradition of a structured ritual meal tells the story of the Exodus through prayers, sacred readings, ceremonial foods.

Space is limited and to ensure your spot, please register before *Monday, March 9* through this link: bit.ly/3NIAAsc. Please inquire at (437) 529-1765 or send an email to ecumenicalandinterfaith@archtoronto.org. Note that there is a small fee to register. Cost for single participants is \$18, two or more is \$25. Financial assistance is available for those who may need it.

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH PASSION PLAY

Our parish community is blessed to once again present the Passion Play, a prayerful and moving retelling of the suffering, death, and love of Our Lord. After last year's debut, this year's production has grown even more — with many dedicated volunteers working tirelessly to bring this retelling to life. We warmly invite our parish and community to come experience it!

Performance Dates:

March 29 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM & April 3 at 7:00 PM

There will also be opportunities for donations to support the Passion Play and future parish productions. All are welcome, no tickets required. Please bring your friends and family!

Thank you for your support!

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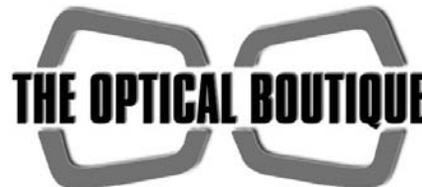
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