
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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 11th

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

Sunday, April 12th – Sunday of Divine Mercy

9:00 a.m. + Domenic, Adelina, Pasquale Rua req by Frank and family

11:00 a.m. Deceased members of Rosati family

- + Lucia Saccone
+ Nicola Saccone
+ Maria & Nicola Vidulich
+ Frank Zochodne
+ Bert Dessailly

Souls in Purgatory
(Int) Domenico & Lina Pepe 70th Anniversary

Tuesday, April 14th

8:30 a.m. + Ainsworth Moore req by Maureen Lawson

Wednesday, April 15th

8:30 a.m. (Int) O'Brien Family req by Anne Doyle

Thursday, April 16th

8:30 a.m. + Annie Novak
Holy Family

10:00 a.m. School Mass

Friday, April 17th

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

Saturday, April 18th

8:30 a.m. + Oriana Pettorossi req by Antonietta Calderon

5:00 p.m. + Beatrice & Harry Lack Sr. req by the family

Sunday, April 19th – 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Deceased members of Demichino family
+ Albin Francelj

- + Giuseppe & Angela Scanga
+ Angela, Antonio, & Vincenzo Del Gatto
+ Antonio Defilippis
+ Armando & Ida Occhiuzzi

Souls in Purgatory

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The Christian steward lives with an "Easter vision," rooted in gratitude for the salvation won through Christ's death and Resurrection. On Divine Mercy Sunday, we are reminded to trust completely in God's mercy as He leads us toward heaven.

Like the Apostle Thomas, we may struggle with doubt when life's difficulties weigh on us. Yet Jesus did not reject Thomas' doubts — He came close, invited him to touch His wounds, and restored his faith.

In the same way, when we struggle, we can turn to the Lord in prayer, the sacraments, and our Christian community. There we will find His mercy, peace, and the joy of the risen Christ.

PARISH LIFE

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION: Today, we will have second collection for our Building Fund. This collection is taken up once a month for the physical needs of our parish.

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION: Last Saturday, our First Communicants received their First Holy Eucharist. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to them and to their parents. Let us keep them in our prayers as they encounter Jesus in this very special way for the first time.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK: The Archdiocese of Toronto's Volunteer Appreciation Week: Ignite Volunteerism will be celebrated from April 19 to 25, 2026, in alignment with Volunteer Canada's National Volunteer Week. This is a time to celebrate every volunteer and the light they bring to our parish. When each of you answers God's call with Isaiah's words— 'Here am I, send me'—you do more than meet a need; you ignite a spirit of service that spreads throughout our parish community. Together, these individual sparks grow into a collective flame, inspiring us all and shining a reflection of God's love in everything we do.

FORMED.ORG: Discover something meaningful for the whole family this Easter with FORMED.ORG! From inspiring movies and Bible studies to children's programs and faith-filled series, there's truly something for everyone—right from the comfort of your home. Subscribe today—it's free for our parishioners!

PLANNING FOR BAPTISM AND WEDDING? Please contact the parish office or visit our website for detail on baptism and wedding. We ask that weddings be booked a minimum of one year in advance.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM IS OPEN AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

There are many lost items at religious articles. Please check you're your lost gloves, glasses, hats, etc. There is also red Missal. All items will be donated in the next few weeks. Check after weekend Masses or call Joey 905-576-3386 or 905 439-904

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Mary's Senior Residence is looking for Part-Time Back Up Superintendent – approx. 10 days per month. Please contact the office at (905) 436-1794

LET US PRAY

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

Terence Floyd Lucio & Carmen Flores Sue Tremblay Catherine Wood

For the Recently Deceased:

Antonia "Toni" Komel

VOCATION SEEDS

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother?. 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



Executive Meeting: Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the hall

General Meeting: Tuesday, April 21st, Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by meeting in the hall.

39th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

When: **Saturday, June 27th**
 Where: Oshawa Airport Gold Club
 Time: TBA
 Cost: \$100/person (Incl round of golf & luncheon)
 \$65 Golf only or \$35 Lunch only
 Contact: Paul Power (905) 424-1707 or Roy Druce (905) 410-4343
 Shared power golf carts are \$25/person. Payable to St. Mary's KofC 8611. With success of last year's event, this year's format will be played as a team scramble as well. Places are limited so book your foursome now and ensure your participation in this year's event.



SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2026

Through ShareLife, you provide safety to those in need

Your kindness makes it possible for refugees to create a sanctuary here in Canada, providing hope and new beginnings to our brothers and sisters in need. Like Hetvi, who came to Canada seeking refuge but found her hope shattered by her husband's control and abuse. Isolated and desperate, her cries for help initially went unheard. Because you care, she found solace through Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS), a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife. Here, she received housing support and counselling in her native language, as well as financial and legal assistance, food banks, childcare, and healthcare.

The Office for Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto is another agency you support through ShareLife, facilitating critical care for refugees. Director Deacon Rudy Ovcjak says: "On behalf of the thousands of refugees who have been forced to flee their homes and native lands, and who now find refuge in Canada—a land of freedom and peace—I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for your incredible kindness and generosity. Your unwavering support allows our office to sponsor hundreds of refugees each year, the majority of whom are Christians fleeing persecution for their faith in Christ."

The **second ShareLife Sunday of the year is April 26**. Thus far we have **raised \$17,359** toward our **goal of \$65,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

ATTENTION: GRADE 12 GRADUATES OF MSGR. PAUL DWYER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



St. Mary's Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus present awards to graduates every year. Applicants must be members of this parish who plan to pursue post-secondary education after graduation. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship from either the Knights of Columbus

or the CWL, kindly address a letter, please state your future goals including, whether you are planning to attend college or university, your report card average, details or your **involvement in your parish** (*sacraments, church attendance, capacity and duration of any contributions*), details regarding your contribution to your school and community. **Letters are due to the parish office no later than May 1, 2026.**

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

NEW EXECUTIVE FOR THE 2026-2027 TERM:

- President:** Ann Marie Whitney
- Spiritual Advisor:** Father Joel Pabilona Jr.
- Vice President:** Nancy Drynan
- Past President:** Rita Jakym
- Treasurer:** Frances Robertson
- Recording Secretary:** Elsa Lack
- Correspondence Secretary:** Donna Grace
- Organization:** Josephine Gangemi
- Conveners:** Janice Nemeth, Charlene Summers, Gina Tass



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. Contact Elsa at 905-728-2077.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
St. Mary of the People Conference**

Our volunteers here at St. Mary's consists of 5 teams of 2 people. Each team is currently helping **Neighbours in Need** on a rotation basis that happens for 15 days at a time once every 2.5 months. We are always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please call the parish office 905-728-2212.

- Total Families on file that request help: 127**
- Total Adults on file that request help: 182**
- Total Children on file that request help: 202**

Your generous support in the Poor Boxes makes this possible. Donations can also be made by placing an envelope in the church offertory basket marked SVDP and please include your Name and complete address to receive a charitable tax receipt. Without your ongoing support, we could not continue this outreach to the needy in our parish. *St. Mary of the People – Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference thank you immensely for your support.*

TORONTO MARCH FOR LIFE - Saturday, May 23, 2026

This is free even and open to all ages and will consist of a peaceful gathering, a walk of solidarity throughout the streets of Downtown Toronto concluding with a series of workshops. The Early Bird deadline for the workshops closes on Friday, April 23.

A DAY WITH MARY



You are invited to a "Day With Mary" taking place on **Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Villanova College in King City**. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults and children's catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. **Registration will open from April 8 until May 15:** <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>. Complete information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>.

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