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# *St. Mary*

*of the people parish*

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## **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

## **RECTORY OFFICE**

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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, May 2<sup>nd</sup> – St. Athanasius**

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

**Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00 a.m. Living & deceased members of Breen & Hogan family

11:00 a.m. + Vito Grazio Deligio  
 + Anthony Godfrey  
 + Nicola Marchitelli  
 + Preciosa Gamelo  
 + Anna & Josef Staresinic  
 + Maureen McAvoy  
 + Agnes McColgan  
 + Dominic Pettorossi

**Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. + Joseph Filipetto req by Lucy Filipetto

7:00 p.m. Living and deceased member of CWL especially Agnes McColgan

**Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. + Mario & Giovanna Komel req by Bruno Komel

**Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. + Maria Cabral & Maria Ferreira  
 + Carmine Carpino  
 + Toni Komel  
 + Jose Manuel Neto  
 (Int) Ginny Dolighan

**Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. + Thomas Lawless req by Lawless family

**Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

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

5:00 p.m. + Reno & Silvana Savelli req by Lucille Saulnier

**Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9:00 a.m. + Giuseppe & Angela Scanga  
 + Lucia, Vincenzo, & Mario Romano  
 + Jack Del Gatto  
 + Marija & Frank Staresinic  
 + Maureen McAvoy  
 + Armando & Ida Occhiuzzi  
 Deceased family members of Christina & Ariokiadass

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

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The readings on this Fifth Sunday of Easter remind us that this world is not our true home—we are pilgrims journeying toward heaven.

Along the way, we are called to make our homes “domestic churches.” Stewardship begins not in the parish, but at home, where we learn to love, serve, and care for one another.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of preparing a place for us in His Father’s house—a sign of His personal love and the home that awaits us.

In response, let us be good stewards of our homes, filling them with prayer, love, and hospitality—and never forget that stewardship starts at home.

## PARISH LIFE

**BUILDING FUND COLLECTION:** Today, we will have our monthly collection for Building Fund, which helps support the physical needs of our parish.

**WE NEED VOLUNTEER:** Our parish is growing, and so are the opportunities to serve! No experience is needed—just a willing heart and a desire to make a difference.

We are currently looking for volunteers in the following ministries:

- **Sacramental Preparation Catechists** (once a month, starting September) – help guide our children preparing for First Communion and Confirmation
- **Liturgy of the Word with Children** (every Sunday at the 11:00 AM Mass) – share the Word of God in a meaningful way with our young parishioners
- **IT Ministry** – support our Mass presentations and behind-the-scenes tech

This is a beautiful way to grow in faith, build community, and serve others. Take some time to **pray about it**—God may be calling you!

For more information or to sign up, please contact the parish office.

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK:** May 3 – 8, 2026, the Catholic community of Ontario engages in a week-long celebration to promote the distinct identity and significant contributions Catholic education makes to students, their families, our Church and the fabric of society. The theme for this year’s celebration is: “Catholic Education: *Pilgrims of Hope: On the Path to Holiness*”

### Cardinal Leo Writes to Prime Minister, MPs –

“I ask you to choose life...”



On April 20, 2026, Cardinal Leo wrote to Prime Minister Carney and all federal Members of Parliament (MPs) in the Archdiocese of Toronto asking for their support of Bill C-218 and decrying the rapid expansion of euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada. Bill C-218 is a private members’ bill currently before Parliament that would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. Read Cardinal Leo’s letter on our website. Write to your Member of Parliament by visiting [www.helpnotharmcanada.ca](http://www.helpnotharmcanada.ca).

## 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:**

Doriana Deligio                      Philomena Holowaty



**39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

When: **Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 Where: Oshawa Airport Gold Club  
 Time: 7:30 AM  
 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.



**VOCATION SEEDS**

“The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these...” Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a 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](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2026**

*Your gift to ShareLife can build the path to hope*

Bradley's life was in ruins, shattered by addiction and a pain so deep, he couldn't escape. At just 14, drugs became his refuge, a desperate attempt to numb the emptiness that consumed him. He fought to build something—a job, a home, a family—but addiction tore it all apart. For Bradley, the road to healing seemed impossible—until you stepped in. Through your kindness, he found the Good Shepherd's DARE Program, made possible by your support of ShareLife. Without this opportunity, Bradley's story would have been one of loss and despair, but because of you, he found a second chance. With the alarming increases in mental health and addictions, there are so many more people waiting for someone like you to help turn their broken road into a path of hope. Thus far, we collected **\$22,934** towards our parish goal **\$65,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



*Providing Help. Creating Hope.*

The Durham Catholic Children's Foundation (DCCF) supports students and families in the Durham Catholic District School Board who face financial or personal hardship. We provide assistance so every child can fully participate in school. **Today, we welcome their representative. Envelopes will be available in the church lobby**—please take one, and return it next weekend by placing it in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity and support.



St. Mary's has five volunteer teams supporting Neighbours in Need on a rotating schedule. We're always looking for more helping hands—please call the parish office if you're interested. Currently serving 127 families. Your generosity through the Poor Boxes makes this possible. Donations can also be made in the offertory basket (marked SVDP) with your name and address for a tax receipt. Thank you for your continued support of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



**GENERAL MEETING** – Tuesday, May 5 in the parish hall following Mass at 7 o'clock. All members are encouraged to attend.

**MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS** – As it is our tradition in May, the ladies of our council will be at the doors of the church after each Mass next weekend to distribute carnations to parishioners in honour of Mother's Day. Your donations will be welcome.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who supported our Spring Fling Card Party in April. Thanks to all our CWL workers and students, to Father Joel Pabilona and the church staff, to our ticket sellers, to those who helped advertise the event and to those who donated the refreshments, prizes, gift bags and cash. Thanks also to the set-up and clean-up crew. A special thank you to the parishioner who printed the tickets without charge. Approximately **\$2070.00** was raised for Catholic charities and our parish.

**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

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2026**

*That everyone might have food*

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



You are invited to a “**DAY WITH MARY**” taking place on **Saturday, May 30 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. Registration will open from April 8 until May 15: <https://bit.ly/DMWRegistration>

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FORMATION** - Become a Catechist... check the poster.

Dates: July 13-18, 2026. 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
 Location: St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Oshawa

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