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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fr. Roselle Cyrille R. Azares, Pastor

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday 8:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other time by appointment only

First Fridays:

Holy Hour: 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Baptism:

By appointment and after an interview with the parents.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.

Care of the Sick:

Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly - for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.

New Parishioners:

Welcome! Please ask for a registration form in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office.

Holy Cross School

299A Donlands Avenue
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Tuesday, February 6th:

8:15 am – Claudette Wilson - Thanksgiving
Requested by Claudette Wilson

Wednesday, February 7th:

8:15 am – Peter Geekie – Thanksgiving
Requested by Kim Geekie

Thursday, February 8th:

8:15 am – Tessie & Minda Que - Thanksgiving
Requested by Fe & Vinda Olase

Friday, February 9th:

8:15 am – Beth & Connie Escabarte - Thanksgiving
Requested by Fe & Vinda Olase

Saturday, February 10th:

9:00 am – Evelyn Lastimoza - Thanksgiving
Requested by Nelson & Nelia Ducusin

5:00 pm – Maria & Paul Hebein†
Requested by Ursula Jerina

Sunday, February 11th:

9:30 am – Gene & Vivian Beltjar - Thanksgiving

11:00 am – Paulina Vargas†
Requested by Vargas Family

7:00 pm – Beth Valdellon†
Requested by Scarlet Inosanto



**Altar Servers Schedule
February 11th/February 12th, 2018**

Saturday 5:00 pm	Angeline Beltran	Angelo Beltran	Michael Orillanes	
Sunday 9:30 am	Ruel Gutierrez	Uri Kibuthu	Sean Quinagon	Mary Joyce Gutierrez
Sunday 11:00 am	Jann & Jared Ybarola	Matthew Guzman	Andre Flores	Giselle Tilos
Sunday 7:00 pm	Cerniel Cruzada	Cailean Cruzada	Joshua	Kirsten



The Catholic Women's League will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, February 11, 2018** in the Parish Hall. They will be serving sausages, orange juice & coffee

aside from Pancakes with 2 sittings 10:30 am & 12:30pm. Tickets are on sale. Adults \$10.00 and Children under 8 years of age, \$5.00

There will be Raffle tickets- \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00

1st prize - \$100 gift certificate from Leon's

2nd Prize – Gift basket worth \$ 50.00

3rd Prize – Serving dishes - \$ 25.00

Please get your tickets early.

Your support will be appreciated!



Collections

January 28th - Offertory: 2,809.25

Thank you for your continued support

Upcoming Events

Mondays, January 29, Feb...5, 12, 19, 26

Al-Anon Meeting, 7:30pm - 9:30pm -in the Church Hall

Sunday, February 11, 2018 – Pancake Breakfast in the Parish Hall from 10:30 and 12:30pm

Sunday, February 25, 2018 – First Communion Family Gathering Session 4 – 10:15 am at the Church Hall

Marriage Sunday

February 10/11, 2018



Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage and complements World

Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America.

The Celebration of Marriage Mass will take place at **Blessed Trinity Parish on Sunday, February 11, 2018 at 3 p.m.** Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB will preside over this special Mass where couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th and 60+ wedding anniversary will be honoured.

Registration for milestone couples runs through February 6, 2018. Please visit the website to register.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage>

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Feb. 14 is Ash Wednesday, which kicks off the first day of Lent and signals the approach of Easter

Three things to know about the day.

What's the purpose of Ash Wednesday?

It marks first day of the 40 days of Lent, a roughly six-week period (not including Sundays) dedicated to reflection, prayer and fasting in preparation for Easter. It ends on Holy Thursday, the fifth day of Holy Week (the week leading up to Easter) that marks the Last Supper. In addition to certain rules about foods and fasting, many Christians (and even non-Christians) abstain from additional foods, luxury or material goods or certain activities and habits.

Where do the ashes some people put on their face come from?

They're obtained from the burning of the palms of the previous Palm Sunday, which occurs on the Sunday before Easter, and applied during services. Palm Sunday marks Jesus' return to Jerusalem, when people waved palm branches to celebrate his arrival. The ashes are typically mixed with Holy Water or oil.

What do the ashes mean?

The ashes, applied in the shape of a cross, are a symbol of penance, mourning and mortality. Centuries ago, participants used to sprinkle themselves with ashes and repent much more publicly, but the practice fell away sometime between the 8th-10th century before evolving into what it is today. There aren't any particular rules about how long the ashes should be worn, but most people wear them throughout the day as a public expression of their faith and penance.

What else do Catholics have to do?

On Ash Wednesday, Catholic adults must observe a fast—eating only one large meal or two small meals. Those meals must not contain any meat. In fact, Catholics 14 and older must refrain from eating meat on every Friday from Ash Wednesday until Good Friday. In accordance with Lent as a time of abstinence, many Catholics choose to give something up or change an ingrained habit during the 40-day period. The Church also encourages the faithful to give more time to prayer and charity before the celebration of Easter.

Friends of the Street

Friends of the Street is a group in St. Margaret of Scotland parish that prays for those who have been pushed to the margins of society through drug use or their lifestyle. Each month Deacon Robert Kinghorn, who writes the column "The Church on the Street" for the Catholic Register, invites speakers who have lived on the street, or else support those on the streets of downtown Toronto.

The next meeting is on **Wednesday February 21st from 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm** in the parish hall at 2134 Avenue Road, Toronto.

Silent Retreat for Men

*Friday, February 16, 2018 7:00 pm
to Sunday, February 18, 2018 1:00 pm
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering*

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. Gilles Mongeau, SJ, will facilitate the retreat, "Ignatian Basics Boot Camp" for men. We will pray with the central wisdom of the Spiritual Exercises: our Creation by a loving God, our salvation in Christ, our vocation to serve God and our neighbour with Christ. **COST:** Suggested offering \$185 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction. **PHONE:** 905-839-2864 **EMAIL:** pickmanresa@rogers.com **WEB:** www.manresa-canada.ca

Reflective Wednesdays

The Sacrament of Reconciliation: Coming Clean

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

St. Patrick's Church/Shrine of Our Mother of Perpetual Help

131 McCaul St., Toronto

Join us for some time of reflection on this pertinent topic, not only about the Lenten discipline of reconciliation, but about our understanding of sin, God's forgiveness and mercy, and our growth through the grace of this special sacrament. The talk will follow the noon Novena Mass to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

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