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Tuesday to Friday
9:00 am to 4:00pm

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Sunday Masses:

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

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday to Friday 8:30 am

Weekday Masses:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other day 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:

Registration Form is available in the vestibule of the Church, in the parish office or on the website.

Eucharistic Healing Procession & Benediction

Every 1st Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass.

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Principal: Kimberly Blanchet

... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
May	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
13 9am	NO MASS	
14 Tues, 9am	Nancy Ingrouville +	Joan Skura
15 Wed, 9am	Thanksgiving – Vinda Olase	Elena, Ligaya & Jenny
16 Thurs, 9am	Thanksgiving – Vinda Olase	Beth & Connie Escabarte
17 Fri, 9am	Thanksgiving – Arthur & Siony Libatique	Elena , Ligaya & Jenny
18 Sat 9am	All Parishioners Wedding Blessings – Alexandra Doumouras & Manan Bhatia Thanksgiving – Valencia Family In Honor & Thanksgiving to Mama Mary, St Joseph, Baby Jesus & the Holy Trinity Thanksgiving – Elena Manuel Jovita Co Montille + Luigi Morra + For healing - Jimmy Zorros Karin Doumouras Valencia Family Lella Monica Sigue Galla Bertoia Morra Family Karin Doumouras
5pm	Birthday Thanksgiving – Myrna Ramos	Myrna Ramos
19 9am	Thanksgiving – Marie Cervantes	Marie Cervantes
11 am	Joseph Lobo +	D'Souza Family

Meditate on God's Word



Sunday Gospel Reflection
 Ascension of the Lord
 Gospel: Mark 16.15-20 – Jesus Commissions the Disciples

Being Authentic Stewards

This Sunday we celebrate the great solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Before Jesus ascended into heaven he told his apostles, and us as well, to “go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.” To spread the Gospel is an essential aspect of our stewardship. The greatest gift we possess is the knowledge and experience of Christ’s love and mercy and we should seek to share this with as many people as possible.


In order to spread the Gospel, we must overcome the temptation of having a split personality or a double life. We shouldn’t hang up our faith on the door as if it were a jacket we took off when we walked into the office. Our faith should instead be woven into every aspect of our lives. To always live as a disciple of Christ and showcase the joy of being a Catholic is perhaps the greatest good we can do in evangelizing our neighbour.

St. Charles Borromeo says, “Be sure that you first preach by the way you live. If you do not, people will notice that you say one thing, but live otherwise, and your words will bring only cynical laughter and a derisive shake of the head.” If people know we are practicing Catholics, we can potentially scandalize them if we act uncharitably or contrary to the faith. Therefore, let us strive to make our entire lives a reflection of God so that we may constantly spread the Gospel.

Summary


Before His ascension, Jesus tells His apostles, and us, to go into the world and spread the Gospel. To be authentic stewards we can’t hang up our faith on the door as if it were a jacket we took off when we walked into the office. Rather, we should realize that living as a disciple of Christ at all times and showcasing the joy of being a Catholic is perhaps the greatest good we can do in evangelizing our neighbour.

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



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

We would like to inform everyone that the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every **Tuesday to Friday after the 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.** in the Church ***except on holidays.***



Let us pray for the sick

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the “forgotten members” in our community.

If you have a loved one you would like on our Sick list, please call or email us. We will keep their names on our list for 4 weeks. *Thank you.*



The **Ascension of Our Lord** is a significant event in Christian belief. It occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead, on Easter Sunday. The Ascension represents the glorification and exaltation of Jesus following His death and Resurrection. It marks His return to God the Father.

The Ascension completes the redemptive work that Christ began on Good Friday. It affirms His divinity and His role as the Savior of humanity. [By ascending bodily into Heaven, Jesus demonstrates His victory over sin and death](#)

As we commemorate the Ascension, we reflect on Jesus' earthly ministry, His sacrifice, and His promise to return. It serves as a reminder of our hope and the fulfillment of God's plan for salvation.



Mother's Day comes once a year. It is a wonderful occasion to honor and celebrate the incredible mothers in our lives. Let's remember and try to comprehend what our mothers did for us as children. ***"I love you MOM"***, simple yet powerful expression that goes straight to a mother's heart.

Every good gift comes from above, but moms do a lot of the delivery work. —Keely Chace



To the candidates who completed the Confirmation Ceremony, Congratulations! This is a significant milestone in your faith journey, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide you, strengthen your faith, and fill your heart with love and blessings.



We extend our warmest appreciation to our Pastor, catechists, parents, sponsors, candidates, ushers, soloist, parish office and community, Holy Cross School, and St Brigid's Church. ***THANK YOU*** for making our confirmation ceremony a truly memorable and blessed occasion.



The Special Devotion Candle
Thanksgiving – CWL Holy Cross group
"Gratitude turns what we have into enough."
as requested by: Claudette Wilson
May 7 to 14

Special Devotion Candle (Sanctuary Lamp in the Tabernacle) is available to burn for your intention for one week for \$20.00. Please call the parish office to book your lamp.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Know Your Faith:

Do you ever wonder what the **BOOK OF REVELATION** is all about?

Come and join us as we start our study on this intriguing Book. Four Tuesday evenings: **May 14, 21, 28 + June 4** from **7-9 p.m.** in the hall.



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is now accepting names of eligible children from families in need who want an opportunity (no fees) to attend the society's camps - Mary Grove Camp for Girls aged 5 to 13 & Camp Ozanam for Boys aged 7 to 12. Please call us 416.421-5225 Option 3 and leave your name, Telephone, Child's name and age. A member of the Society will get back to you to arrange an interview and completion of forms. Please register as soon as possible for more chances of spots.

May 11, 2024



Daphne Ruth Faria, congratulations on your baptism. "May the Lord bless your life with love and happiness."



Crowning of Our Blessed Mother – May 12 during the 11am Mass.



Mother's Day flowers – The CWL will be giving flowers to mothers during the weekend of May 12 for all masses (includes May 11, 5pm anticipated mass. It's a beautiful way to honor and appreciate the special women in the community.



Memorial Service for Dan & Nancy Ingrouille – May 18, Saturday @ 11am.



May 25 and 26, 2024. Thank you in advance for participating in the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul's collection for our neighbors in need.

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