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Office Hours:

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.

Holy Cross School Phone: 416-393-5242

299A Donlands Avenue, Toronto, Ont. M4J 3R7

Principal: Kimberly Blanchet

... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
Sep/Oct	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
30 Mon	NO MASS	
Oct 1 Tues, 9am	Birthday Thanksgiving – Tess, Boy & Donato Macarayan	Macarayan Family
2 Wed, 9am	Thanksgiving – Raymond Lui	Raymond Lui
3 Thurs, 9am	Thanksgiving – Enzo, Erwin & Maireez Centeno	Monica Sigue
4 (1 st Fri) 6pm 7pm	Mark Magno + Holy Hour June & Patrick Burns + Soledad Colado +	Lou Fernandez Teresita Macarayan Sophia Wong & Family
5 Sat 9am	All Parishioners
5pm	Mercedes, Edgardo & Victor Abella +	Jasmin & Kristina Buccat
6 9am	Felix & Natividad Guzman +	Gene & Vivian Beltjar
11 am	Cynthia Evelyn Viegas +	D'Souza Family

Meditate on God's Word



Sunday Gospel Reflection

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gospel: Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48 – Temptations to Sin

Removing the Obstacles

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the bold teaching that we should rid ourselves of anything that causes us to sin, for the price of losing our eternal salvation is far too great. This teaching can seem harsh at times, yet it is actually one of great truth and love. The radical implication in Jesus message' is that the salvation of our souls is the most important thing in life.


As followers of Christ, we should ask ourselves, is there anything that is causing us to sin? Sin begins to weaken our relationship with God which hinders our ability to truly love others and act as authentic stewards. If we want our stewardship to flourish, we should take concrete actions to avoid the near occasions of sin and seek forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession for whenever we do fall.

Additionally, not only should we seek to remove the causes of sin in our lives, but we should try to remove all those things that hinder us from being better stewards of our time and talents. For example, if our pride and ego get in the way of us being willing to humbly serve others, we should pray for the strength to grow in humility. Likewise, if our addiction to television or movies stops us from giving our time to others, we should try to intentionally limit our viewing time. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

Summary


Jesus instructs us in the Gospel to remove anything that causes us to sin for the most important thing in life is the salvation of our souls. Likewise, we should strive to remove anything that hinders us from being better stewards of our time and talents. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

<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.*

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

May, June, July and August Church Offering Report

Date	Sunday Offerings	Building Funds	Restoration + Loose Collection	Others
May 1	\$2405.00	\$25.00	\$331.60	ShareLife \$3580.00
May 8	\$1820.00	\$850.00	\$186.25	Pope's Pastoral \$66620. ShareLife \$80.00
May 15	\$2615.00	\$150.00	\$1114.00	Pope's Pastoral \$115.00
May 22	\$1695.00	\$30.00	\$245.25	ShareLife \$100.00
May 29	\$2065.00	\$		
June 5	\$2350.00	\$817.00	\$1231.10	ShareLife \$2188.00
June 12	\$2255.00	\$205.00	\$2719.60	ShareLife \$450.00 Marygrove \$827.80
June 19	\$1800.00	\$30.00	\$214.30	ShareLife \$15.00 Marygrove \$215.00
June 26	\$1740.00	\$15.00	\$130.80	---
July 3	\$2177.00	\$60	\$136.90	ShareLife \$100
July 10	\$2510.00	\$962.65	\$1006.10	---
July 17	\$1990.00	\$175.00	\$2257.05	---
July 24	\$1411.00	\$75.00	\$382.8	---
July 31	\$1912.00	---	\$256.50	---
Aug 7	\$4495.00	\$984.00	\$321.30	---
Aug 14	\$1931.50	\$110.00	\$273.95	Canadian Mission \$1264.30
Aug 21	\$2280.00	\$15.00	123.95	Canadian Mission \$50.00 ShareLife \$150.00
Aug 28	\$1925.00	\$0	\$224.15	Mission Co-Op \$2933.45

This report does not include PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) and other online donations. To our parishioners and guests, we are deeply grateful for your generous donations and unwavering support. Thank you for your kindness and continued commitment. We truly appreciate each and every one of you.

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Lay Pastoral Visitors Training

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Wednesdays, Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2024> by Oct. 22, 2024.

DOWNLOAD POSTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-PosterOctNov2024>

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2nd Collection

There will be a second collection today for the **Needs of the Church in Canada**. This annual initiative helps support and assist the bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. Thank you for your

support of this important work.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection – October 5/6, 2024

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 5/6, 2024 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land



Ways to Support Your Parish

Online through the "Support Your Parish initiative" through the Archdiocese of Toronto. The link can be found on our Home Page.

Online through our existing PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) program. Contact the office for more information.

By placing a cheque or cash in your traditional offertory envelopes and mailing to the parish office: Holy Cross Parish, 291 Cosburn Avenue, Toronto, ON M4J 2M4.

No matter how you choose to give, please know that your support is needed and appreciated, now more than ever.



The Special Devotion Candle is offered in Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary as requested by Incoronata Ambrosini.
"Help us to always be grateful and share our blessings to others."

Sept 24 to Oct 1

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

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