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Office Hours:

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

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 9:00 am
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Morning Prayer:

Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday & Friday 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 9:30 am to 10:00 am
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other day by appointment only

First Fridays: except July and August

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.

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Principal: Arlene Martin

Meditate on God's Word




... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
SEP	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
22 Mon, 9am	NO MASS	
23 Tues, 9am	Glen Foronda + Canadian Martyrs	Ducusin Family
24 Wed, 9am	Thanksgiving – Leilani Anne Ducusin	Nelosn & Nelia Ducusin
25 Thurs, 9am	(Canadian Martyrs Parish)	
26 9am Friday	Thanksgiving – Edwin & Winnie Villamayor & Family	Monica Sigue
27 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Resurreccion Dizon + Maruvitte C. Montille + Silverito & Bibiana Macarayan + (Canadian Martyrs Parish) Nehreen Alog & Family Galla Bertoia Tess Macarayan & Family
28 Sun, 9am	For the intention of Maria Boudreau	Karin Doumouras
11 am	Art Valencia +	Valencia Family



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.*

Sunday Gospel Reflection
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Gospel: Luke 16.1-13 - The Parable of the Dishonest Manager

Serving the Greater Master
From a young age, society presents us the “perfect” roadmap for a life of happiness. This vision usually includes having the fancy job, a large house, extravagant clothes and a large sum of money in the bank. It is engrained in our upbringing that the amassing of wealth should be the most important facet of our life, which is why the Lord’s words in today’s Gospel, that “you cannot serve God and wealth,” can be so difficult to swallow.

It is interesting that Jesus doesn’t say we cannot have wealth, but instead, that we should not serve wealth. What does it mean to serve wealth? It is to preferentially prioritize our efforts for career advancement over our efforts to deepen our relationship with God. Essentially, those who serve wealth utilize all of their time and talents to attain more and more possessions. Stewards on the other hand utilize their time and talents to serve Christ and His Church.

In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. It is only then that we can begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church. When the temptation to hold onto our wealth looms over us, let us remember Christ’s words, and ask ourselves how are we sharing our gifts with the parish community?

Summary
The Lord’s exhortation that “you cannot serve God and wealth” can be difficult to swallow. In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. When we view our wealth as a gift we can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church.

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

Sacramental Preparation Registration

Confirmation Nov 22

Saturday @10am

Requirements:

- *Baptismal Certificate
- *Student must be in **Grade 7, 8, or High School**
- *Regular attendance at Holy Cross by child/family
- *Registration Fee: **\$75**
- *Confirmation Certificates of Sponsors
- *Completed Registration Form

FR/FHC Nov 22

Saturday @ 10am

Requirements:

- *Baptismal Certificate
- *Student must be in **Grade 2 or higher**
- *Regular attendance at Holy Cross by child/family
- *Registration Fee: **\$60**
- *Completed Registration Form

For more information or to submit documents, please contact the parish office. Let's prepare our children to receive these sacred sacraments with joy and reverence!



Fellowship & Learning: Sunday Readings Study

Facilitator: Therese De Manche

When: Saturdays, **September 6 – December 6**, right after the **9:00 AM Mass** for 1 hour. Deepen your understanding of the Sunday Readings and grow in faith through shared reflection and study.

Feast of St. Vincent de Paul — September 26

Join us in celebrating the life and legacy of St. Vincent de Paul, patron of charitable works and service to the poor.

Friday Mass at 7:00 PM Let us gather in prayer and thanksgiving during this special liturgy.

Fellowship to Follow After Mass, all are welcome to stay for a light refreshment. Come share in community and conversation as we honor St. Vincent's spirit of compassion and generosity.



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul - Fall Bundle Up Weekend – September 27/28

On the weekend of Sept 27/28, the St. Vincent de Paul truck will be parked at the back of the church to take your donations. **We accept:** Any clothing, footwear, bedding (any condition), drapery, towels, toys (new only). **We DON'T accept:** Baby items, construction materials, furniture, books, dishes.

A member of the society will be at the truck and ready to assist you between 9 am to 6 pm for both Saturday and Sunday.

Special Devotion Candles Sep 23 to 30

In Loving Memory of Domingo Enriquez

Requested by Domingo Family

"Guide us with your quiet strength and faithful care."



For all Intentions

This Sanctuary Lamp Devotion Candle is being offered for all the intentions of the Holy Cross Parish Community, living, sick and deceased.



97th Church Anniversary – Thank You!

Our 97th Church Anniversary celebration was a wonderful success! A **BIG** thank you to all the donors who made it possible for us to share a

variety of delicious cuisines, and to the volunteers who tirelessly assisted from beginning to end — the early morning setup crew who ensured every tent, table, chair, and banners were in placed... To the warm and welcoming servers who made everyone feel at home... To the front-line team who managed donations with grace... To those who stayed behind to clean and tidy up after the festivities... You are the heartbeat of this community.

It was inspiring to witness the diversity, unity, and love that filled our space. We are indebted to each of you for making this anniversary not just an event, but a memory we'll cherish. We truly couldn't have done it without you. We hope all our visitors enjoyed the event and had the chance to meet new friends and create lasting memories. There are too many names, ministries, and groups to mention individually — and just as many wonderful photos we wish we could include here. But please know: your presence, your prayers, and your helping hands did not go unnoticed. Your contributions, both big and small, created a joyful and memorable event that reflected the spirit and unity of our community. We are grateful beyond words. Beautiful moments captured! Let's continue to cherish these memories and the friendships formed along the way.



This event was meant to give back to our parish community in appreciation for your continued support of the church. While the suggested donation was \$5, we were blessed to receive a total of **\$1,155** — a generous contribution that will tremendously help with our church expenses.

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