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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

... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
SEP/OCT	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
29 Mon, 9am	NO MASS	
30 Tues, 9am	Canadian Martyrs	
Oct 1 Wed, 9am	Birthday Thanksgiving – Lou & Ching Fernandez	Monica Sigue
2 Thurs, 9am	(Canadian Martyrs Parish)	
3 9am Fri 6pm 7pm	Thanksgiving – Erwin, Maireez & Enzo Centeno Holy Hour Birthday Thanksgiving – Marian Malik	Monica Sigue Elena & Ligaya Manuel
4 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners All Souls in Purgatory Bibiana & Silverito Macarayan+ Incoronata Ambrosini Connie & Beth Escabarte
5pm	(Canadian Martyrs Parish)	
5 Sun, 9am	Jimmy Apostolopoulos + +	Karin Doumouras & Family
11 am	Domingo & Gregoria Ramos	Elena & Ligaya Manuel

Meditate on God's Word



Sunday Gospel Reflection

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 The parable of the rich man and Lazarus:

The Great Reversal

In this powerful parable, Jesus contrasts two lives: a rich man clothed in luxury and a poor man named Lazarus, covered in sores and longing for scraps. After death, their fortunes are reversed — Lazarus is comforted in heaven, while the rich man suffers in torment. This story isn't just about wealth; it's about awareness and compassion. The rich man didn't harm Lazarus — he simply ignored him. His sin was indifference. He failed to see the suffering at his doorstep. Wealth and Complacency: The reading from Amos criticizes those who are comfortable and indifferent to the suffering around them. It shows that God sees and judges our indifference, especially when we ignore others' needs while living in luxury. Justice for the Poor: Both Amos and the Gospel highlight God's concern for the poor and suffering. It reminds us that our faith calls us to help those who are less fortunate. Ultimate Authority of God: Paul describes God as the only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. This reaffirms that all power and authority ultimately belong to God, and we are to live in a way that honors Him. Eternal Consequences: The Gospel parable about Lazarus and the rich man illustrates that our actions have consequences beyond this life. It teaches us that how we treat others, especially those in need, influences our eternal destiny. The Role of Scripture: The rich man learns that Moses and the prophets' teachings are enough to guide us to live rightly. This emphasizes the importance of paying attention to Scripture as a guide for our lives.

The parable also reminds us that earthly status doesn't guarantee eternal reward. What matters is how we respond to the needs of others, especially those who are vulnerable and forgotten.

Let this Gospel stir us to live with open eyes, open hearts, and open hands — so that we don't miss the chance to bring heaven a little closer to earth.

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



We would like to inform everyone that the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every **Wednesday and Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass from 9:30am 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.*

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
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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.



Adoration and Holy Hour

Join us for a peaceful evening of prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament. **First Friday, October 3**
 6:00 PM – Holy Hour & Confession
 7:00 PM – Mass

All are welcome to come and spend time with the Lord.



Children's Choir Invitation

Our Children's Choir sings every **First Sunday of the Month** during **Communion** at Mass. If your child is interested in joining, please contact **Ramon Regozo** 416-995-9137 for more details.

All are welcome to share their voices in praise!

Special Devotion Candles Sep 30 to Oct 7



In Loving Memory of Michelina Ruscillo

Requested by Vincenza Ruscillo & Family
 "Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts."



Thanksgiving – Tess Macarayan

Requested by Tess Macarayan & Family
 "For the blessings we have received—seen and unseen."



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.



Congratulations to Our Altar Servers!

We're proud to share that four of our dedicated altar servers — **Lulu Labang, Seng Ra, Seng San, William Myo**

Lat Awng—have been nominated to receive an award in recognition of their service. Congratulations and thank you for your dedicated service at the altar. Your commitment, reverence, and presence have been a blessing to our parish community.

Award Ceremony Details: Saturday, October 25, 2025 10:00am - St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto, ON M5A 3A8

Please join us in celebrating their commitment and contribution to our parish community!

August Church Offering Report

Aug 5	Offertory Building Funds Mass/candles Canadian Mission	\$2363.90 \$631.85 \$297.75 \$50.00
Aug 13	Offertory Building Funds Mass / candles/Baptism Canadian Mission	\$2476.10 \$110 \$821.10 \$35.00
Aug 21	Offertory Building Funds ShareLife Canadian Mission Mass/candles/Baptism/Funeral Anonymous Donor- Altar Crucifix	\$2036.15 \$15.00 \$150.00 \$75.00 \$815.05 \$1430.00
Aug 20	Offertory Building Funds Canadian Mission Mass/candles/baptism	\$1760.90 \$55.00 \$1175.00 \$237.80
	PAG	\$1545.64
	Donate Now	\$947.69



The Feast of
St. Michael the Archangel

Feast of St. Michael – Patron

Saint Celebration Join us on Monday, September 29 as we celebrate the Feast of St. Michael, our beloved patron saint. Fr. Fred

will preside over the 9:00 AM Mass. All are invited to attend this special ceremony.



Support Our Parish Through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

Looking for an easy and consistent way to support our parish? Consider signing up for **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)**! With PAG, your regular donations are automatically withdrawn — helping the parish plan and serve more effectively. It's secure, convenient, and ensures your support continues even when you're away. To enroll or learn more, please contact the parish office or visit our website. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our faith community!

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