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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.

Holy Cross School

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Principal: Arlene Martin

Meditate on God's Word



... <i>Mass Intentions</i>		
NOV	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
10 Mon, 9am	NO MASS	
11 Tues, 9am	Canadian Martyrs	
12 Wed, 9am	Rodrigo & Angeles Gasis +	Ninfa Gasis
13 Thurs, 9am	(Canadian Martyrs Parish)	
14 9am	Thanksgiving – Fr. Charles Anang	Therese De Manche
15 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Thanksgiving – Jose Maria Rosas Quintero & Magnolia Selvos Rojas	 Maria Casement
5pm	(Canadian Martyrs Parish) Thanksgiving Erwin, Maireez & Enzo Centeno	Monica Sigue
16 Sun, 9am	Gerry Boudreau & Aris Doumouras +	Karin Doumouras
11 am	Francesca, Leopoldo, Antonio & Angela Cammisa +	Adriana Cammisa

Sunday Gospel Reflection Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Today we celebrate not just a building, but what that building represents: the unity, holiness, and mission of the Church. The Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome (The Pope), stands as a symbol of the universal Church—one body in Christ, built on the foundation of the apostles.

In the Gospel (John 2:13–22), Jesus drives out the money changers from the temple, declaring, “*Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.*” At first glance, He seems to speak of the physical temple, but He is pointing to something deeper—His own body, the true temple of God. This moment reminds us that the Church is not just stone and mortar, but the living Body of Christ, made up of each of us.

St. Paul echoes this in the second reading (1 Corinthians 3:9c–11, 16–17): “*You are God’s building... Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?*” This is both a gift and a challenge. We are called to be holy, to be places where God’s presence is visible in the world.

As we reflect on this feast, let us ask:

- Do I treat my own body and soul as a temple of the Holy Spirit?
- Do I contribute to building up the Church through love, service, and unity?
- Do I recognize the sacredness of our community, even in its imperfections?

May this celebration renew our reverence for the Church—not just the buildings, but the people—and inspire us to be living stones in God’s holy temple.

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

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

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Guardians,
This year we are uniting the two schools (Holy Cross & Canadian Martyrs) for sacramental catechesis.

Grade 2 First Communion candidates from Holy Cross School and Canadian Martyrs School will come together at **Holy Cross Church Hall** on Sundays after the 11am Mass (12pm-1:30pm).

Grade 7 Confirmation candidates from Holy Cross School and Canadian Martyrs School will come together at **Canadian Martyrs Church Hall** on Saturdays from 3pm-5pm followed by the 5pm Mass. The students will be receiving the registration package at school, please look out for it.

Sacramental Registration Now Open We are now accepting **early registration**. Forms are available on our website: holycrossto.archtoronto.org and registration will remain open **until November 22**. Please visit the site to access and complete your form and drop it off at the parish office or have all your documentation ready at registration. Thank you!

For further information regarding **sacramental preparations**, please feel free to **Email: catechistme@protonmail.com** or **leave a voicemail**. Our **Lay Pastoral Associate, Maria Agovino**, will be happy to receive your questions and assist you with the process. Thank you for your interest and commitment to the faith journey!

RCEC Special Collections Report – Thank You

Aug 17	Canadian Mission	\$1345.00
Sep 28	Needs of Canadian Church	\$1266.50
Oct 5	Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation	\$1017.90
Oct 19	World Mission	\$1269.35

Thank you for your generosity during the recent RCEC special collections. We are truly grateful for your kindness and continued commitment.



Ways to Give – Sunday Donations

Thank you for supporting our parish! Here are a few ways you can make your Sunday donation. Your generosity helps sustain our faith community and its mission. Thank you!

In-Person: Drop your envelope in the collection basket during Mass.
Online Giving: Visit our parish website to donate securely anytime.
Pre-Authorized Debit: Set up automatic monthly contributions
Mail-In: Send your donation to the parish office

Special Devotion Candles Nov 4 to 11



In Loving Memory of Michelina Ruscillo

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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



For the month of November, we invite you to record the names of your deceased family

members and friends, whom you wish to be remembered at Mass, in our Book of Remembrance. Envelopes are also available where you may include the names of deceased loved ones along with an offertory donation



November 11, 2025 – Lest We Forget

We pause to honor the courage, sacrifice, and service of all who have defended peace and freedom. At the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day, of the eleventh month, we remember.



Friday, Nov 14, 7pm Mass

In Loving Memory A special Mass will be offered in loving memory of all our faithful departed parishioners. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Shepherds' Trust Special Collection, November 15/16, 2025

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to raise awareness and collect funds so that elderly priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. The Trust supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. Through our support of The Shepherds' Trust, the retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. For more information about The Shepherds' Trust, please visit: www.shepherdstrust.org



The Catholic Women's League invites all women from **Holy Cross** and **Canadian Martyrs** parishes to an **Information Session** on **Sunday, November 16th**, immediately following the **11:00 AM Mass**. Come learn more about the CWL's mission, activities, and how you can get involved in faith, service, and community. Whether you're curious or ready to join, we'd love to see you there!



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is preparing for our annual Christmas Gift Drive, which brings toys and treats to families in need in our parish. If your family could use some help this Christmas, please register by Nov 16 by calling the parish office at (416) 421-5225 (message option 3). A volunteer will return your call. Gift collection from parish donors will take place from late November to early December. Thank you for helping make this season one of joy, hope, and sharing

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