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**Office Hours:**  
Tuesday to Thursday  
9:00 am to 4:00pm

*Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor*

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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>		
Mar	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
2 Mon, 9am	<b>NO MASS</b>	
3 Tues, 9am	<b>Canadian Martyrs</b>	
4 Wed, 9am	Romeo Macapagal +	Remy & Lydia
5 Thurs, 9am	<b>Canadian Martyrs</b>	
6 Fri, 9am  6pm 7pm	Prayers for good health- Ethelina Provido Holy Hour Zeke Zdebiak + Dave Hirschberger +  Bob Whitley + Thanksgiving – Nicholai Sauco	Ninfa Gasis  Joanne Zdebiak Holy Cross School Staff Nancy Rohatf Alexis Saucó & Family
7 Sat, 9am  5pm	All Parishioners Ester Josefa Sison Tubbs +  Clare Vautour + Lolita Jaramillo+ <b>(Canadian Martyrs Parish)</b>	..... Jasmine & Reuel Balane & Family Frank Vautour Leonor Jaramillo
8 Sun, 9am 11 am	Thanksgiving – Monica Sigue Lorna D'Souza +	Monica Sigue  D'Souza Family

**Sunday Gospel Reflection**  
2nd Sunday of Lent  
Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9 – The Transfiguration

**Becoming like God**

In the Gospel this Sunday we are invited to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration. In this mystery, Jesus goes up the mountain with Peter, James and John, and is transfigured before them and briefly “discloses His divine glory” (CCC 555). Moreover, “the Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body” (CCC 556).

The mystery of the Transfiguration alludes to the teaching of the Church called divinization, in which we believe that we humans will be made like God. Not only does Jesus raise us from sin, death and hell, but He even raises us up to divine life. He desires us to be made sharers in His own divine nature and participate in the life of the Trinity. St. Athanasius boldly proclaims that "He was made man that we might be made God."

We can share in the Trinitarian life by cooperating in the work of God. The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\* states that “God wishes human beings to be his collaborators in the work of creation, redemption, and sanctification; and such collaboration involves stewardship in its most profound sense.” To be a steward is to be deified and take part in the life of the Trinity. How often do we appreciate this rich reality of being a steward for Christ? Let us take some time to reflect on our raised identities in Christ and strive to be greater stewards in our parishes.

**Summary**

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<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.*

MARCH 1, 2026

**REPORT TO THE FAITHFUL  
HOLY CROSS PARISH, TORONTO  
FOR THE PERIOD: 01/01/25..31/12/25**

<b>RECEIPTS</b>		<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
<b>General Receipts</b>		<b>General Payments</b>	
Offerory	\$ 192,201.19	Clergy Salaries & Stipends	\$ 45,510.12
Other Parish Collections	5,585.10	Lay / Musicians Salaries	79,490.40
Christmas and Easter	8,310.85	Lay / Musician Company Services	0.00
Baptisms/Funerals/Marriages	5,753.23	Payroll Remittances	19,815.29
Mass Offerings / Intentions	9,989.99	Office Services / Supplies	5,340.34
Bequests & Legacies	0.00	Mass Facility Rental	0.00
Other Donations	81,291.81	Property Insurance	7,968.64
Rental and Interest Revenue	6,795.46	Utilities - Church	13,569.68
Parish Programs (charity, faith formation, sacramental prep, youth)	5,885.00	Repairs & Maintenance	48,445.30
Sundry (admin, subsidy, articles, candles, restricted funds, socials)	94,962.00	Grounds Maintenance/Landscaping	6,719.72
		Traffic Control / Security Service	311.62
<b>Special Diocesan Collections</b>		Choir / Music Payments	172.96
Canadian Missions	1,345.00	Liturgy / Mass Payments	4,915.58
Evangelization of Nations (World Missions)	1,314.35	Other Church Payments	4,630.51
Humanitarian Relief	0.00	Hall Expenses	0.00
Marygrove Camp	1,835.00	Rectory Payments	30,700.70
		Assessments: clergy health & retirement, diocesan, chaplaincy	46,175.95
Mission Co-Op	1,709.05	Parish Programs (charity, faith formation, sacramental prep, volunteering, youth)	5,247.85
Needs of Canadian Church (Bishops' Collection)	1,266.50	Sundry (admin, articles/candles, professional fees, rental, restricted, socials, staff training)	41,937.76
Needs of Church In Holy Land (Good Friday)	2,501.30	<b>Special Diocesan Collections Disbursed</b>	<b>26,850.15</b>
Pope's Pastoral Works	1,444.70		
ShareLife	14,921.85	<b>Other Payments</b>	
Shepherds' Trust	3,567.65	Principal loan repayments	0.00
Other	1,017.40	Interest Payments on Loans	0.00
<b>Other Receipts</b>		New Investments Purchased	50,255.43
New loans	0.00	Property Additions / Restorations	42,291.01
Investments withdrawn	66,879.76	Furnishings / Equipment	14,353.91
Sale of parish assets	0.00		
<b>Total Receipts for the Period</b>	<b>508,578.19</b>	<b>Total Payments for the Period</b>	<b>454,702.92</b>
Opening cash balance	49,570.31	Ending cash balance	63,445.58
Transfers in from other parish bank accounts	0.00	Transfers Out to other parish bank accounts	0.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 558,148.50</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 558,148.50</b>



**Daylight Saving Time – Sunday, March 8**

A friendly reminder that **Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 8**. Please remember to **set your clocks forward one hour** on Saturday night before going to bed. Let's all enjoy the longer daylight in the evenings as we move into a new season.

**Limited Office Hours** - March 2 to 6 and March 9 to 13, our office will have limited hours from 10am to 11:30am. Regular office hours will resume on March 16. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding. For urgent matters, please approach Fr. Fred.

**Special Devotion Candles Feb 24 to Mar 3**



**Thanksgiving – Fr. Nabine Djore**

Requested by: Claudette Wilson

"May the Lord continue to bless you with good health and strength in your ministry."



**For all Intentions**

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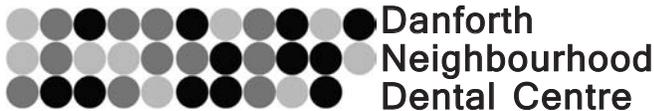
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