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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>		
May	MASS FOR	REQUESTED BY
18 Mon, 9am	NO MASS	
19 Tues, 9am	Canadian Martyrs	
20 Wed, 9am	Brett Boniface +	Barbara Read
21 Thurs, 9am	Canadian Martyrs	
22 Fri, 9am	Pedro Cruz +	Ducusin Family
23 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Thanksgiving – Incononata Ambrosini Birthday Thanksgiving – Arthur Libatique Julita Veces Vacunawa + Incononata Ambrosini Elena Manuel & Family Ching Veces
5pm	Canadian Martyrs	
24 Sun, 9am	Birthday Thanksgiving Blessings – Marie Cervantes	Marie Cervantes
11 am	Domingo Enriquez +	Enriquez Family

Meditate on God's Word



The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord
Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20 – *The Commissioning of the Disciples*

Being the Hands and Feet of Christ

This Sunday we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of the Lord which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth. Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards. Firstly, when the apostles watched the Lord ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them "why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.


We see this at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to cooperate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of St. Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Summary


Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action for at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel He gives us the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." This is a call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. Let us strive to do this through the strength of Christ within us who says "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

<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.*

Special Thanksgiving Mass & Farewell Dinner Party for Fr. Freddie

Saturday, June 6 Mass at 4:30 PM
Dinner at 6:00 PM in the Church Hall

Join us as we honour Fr. Freddie for seven years & 5 months of dedicated pastoral leadership at Holy Cross Church. During this clergy transition, we come together to thank him for his service and wish him every blessing ahead.

Special Collection: Pope’s Pastoral Works – May 17, 2026 The Pope’s Pastoral Works collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope’s Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.

 **St. Vincent de Paul - Spring Bundle Up Weekend – May 16/17.** This weekend, 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) 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. Thank you for your continued support.





Dear Parish Community,
We invite you to join us for a Memorial Mass in honor of **Rev. Jose Kuriedath**, who faithfully served our parish from **July 1, 1998 to September 12, 2005**. Fr. Kuriedath returned to the Lord on

April 24, 2026. The Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 23 at 11:00 AM.**

Let us come together to honor his life, his ministry, and his years of dedicated service to our parish family.
Fr. Godofredo Claudio Pastor



Here are some of the photos from last Sunday’s beautiful Crowning of Mary ceremony. May Our Blessed Mother continue to guide us in our daily lives and remain our advocate in times of difficulty.

Special Devotion Candle May 12 to 19	
	In Loving Memory of Jimmy Apostolopoulos Requested by: Karin Doumouras & Family “You are deeply loved, forever missed, and never forgotten.”
	Thanksgiving & Special Prayer for Jon Agustin Requested by: Anna Agustin “In gratitude for God’s goodness, trusting in His guidance, healing, and continued blessings.”

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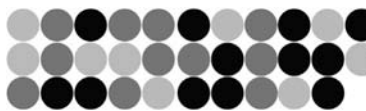


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