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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
25 Mon, 9am	<b>NO MASS</b>	
26 Tues, 9am	<b>Canadian Martyrs</b>	
27 Wed, 9am	Pedro Cruz +	Mila Benedicto
28 Thurs, 9am	<b>Canadian Martyrs</b>	
29 Fri, 9am	Thanksgiving – Claudette Wilson	Cecelia Celestine
30 Sat, 9am	All Parishioners Thanksgiving – Albert Barcellos	..... Albert Barcellos
5pm	<b>Canadian Martyrs</b>	
31 Sun, 9am	Salvador & Orlando Orillanes +	Cecilia Orillanes & Family
11 am	Dolores Encinas +	Ybarola Family

# Meditate on God's Word



*Pentecost Sunday*  
Gospel: John 20.19-23 - *Jesus Appears to the Disciples*

### *Being Strengthened by the Spirit*


Today we celebrate Pentecost Sunday which is called by many as the birthday of the Church. Let us take some time to reflect on the Holy Spirit in our lives as stewards. Firstly, we should never fail to marvel at the fact that starting with 11 lowly men 2000 years ago, the Catholic Church still continues to this day and the name of Jesus is praised and adored all over the world. This is the power of the Holy Spirit. From a human standpoint, the church should have failed centuries ago if it were not sustained by the Spirit. This should inspire us as stewards to rely on the Holy Spirit to guide all of our actions.

Moreover, in today's second reading from Corinthians, St. Paul says that "there are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit ... [and] to each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." Each of us as stewards have particular gifts and talents from the Spirit that are not to be hoarded but generously used for the "common good" of the Church. We should all take time to reflect on what particular way is God calling us to serve Him. None of us are exempt from this call for St. Paul explains that we are all to work for the good of the Church in our own ways. Let us pray this week for a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirit into our lives. May the same Spirit that has birthed the Church and guided her through the millennium continue to raise up great stewards to continue to carry out the great commission of Christ in all the world.

### *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.*



**Pentecost Sunday**

Today we celebrate Pentecost, often called the “birthday of the Church.” Fifty days after Easter, we remember the moment when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles in the form of tongues of fire, filling them with courage, wisdom, and faith (Acts 2:1–11).

This powerful event transformed

fearful disciples into bold witnesses of Christ’s message, enabling them to speak in different languages and share the Good News with people from all nations. Pentecost reminds us that the Church is alive and guided by the Spirit, who continues to inspire, strengthen, and unite us. As we reflect on this celebration, let us open our hearts to the Holy Spirit—seeking renewal, guidance, and the courage to live out our faith in our daily lives. May the Spirit of God ignite in us a deeper love, a stronger faith, and a commitment to serve others with compassion and joy.

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.**



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**Marygrove & Camp Ozanam Announcement**

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is now accepting applications for girls and boys interested in attending our overnight camps who, due to circumstances, would not otherwise have an opportunity to do so. Both camps provide a fully subsidized camp opportunity (no fees). Transportation is available at a designated location to/from each camp.

Marygrove Camp welcomes girls ages 5-13 for an 8-day camping adventure on the shores of Georgian Bay.

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**Special Devotion Candle May 19 to26**



**In Loving Memory of Flor Bermudez**

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**For all Intentions**

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

**Parish Celebration of Sacramental Blessings**

This month, our parish community rejoices with the parents who have welcomed their child into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism. These moments are powerful reminders of God’s grace at work in our lives. Baptism marks a beautiful new beginning—a step into a life of faith, hope, and belonging. As this child grows, may the light of Christ guide their path and strengthen the family who nurtures them.



01-May Macunat Emilia Isobel

02-May Morales Luke Francis

09-May Vethanayagam Abigail Marietta

16-May Bautista Serena Lee

23-May Dejoras Thalia Isabelle

30-May Orilla Bryannah

**Convalidation of Marriage**

We joyfully announce the **Convalidation of Marriage** taking place this **Sunday, May 24 at 2:00 PM** during the **MME Monthly Mass**.



Janusz Rey Masilungan  
&  
Marlyn Velasquez

Let us unite in prayer for this couple as they renew their vows before God and the Church. May this sacramental celebration strengthen their commitment, deepen their faith, and fill their home with lasting grace and peace.

May these sacramental celebrations bring **new beginnings of faith**, deepen spiritual strength, and inspire all of us on our own journeys with Christ. Let us keep these families in our prayers as they continue to grow in grace and love.

**Special Collection – ShareLife (3rd Collection)**

Our parish will hold the **ShareLife 3rd Special Collection on May 31**. Your generosity makes a real difference in the lives of those who rely on ShareLife’s programs and outreach. **Please give generously.** Thank you for your continued support and compassion.



**Mission Co-Op 2026.** This year, our parish is hosting the **Alagad in Maria (Disciples of Mary)**. On Sunday of June 14, during the 9 & 11am Mass, Rev. Christian C. Bustonera will be with us to share their missionary experiences and the significant challenges confronting the young people in his country today. **A SPECIAL**

**COLLECTION** will be taken to assist their mission. We invite all parishioners to participate generously as we join in supporting the Church’s mission throughout the world.

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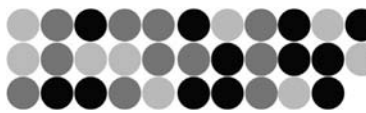


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