

# HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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## CHURCH HOURS

Monday to Friday 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sat 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## MUSIC DIRECTORS

Edwin Chiu: Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Geoff Butler: Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

## T.C.D.S.B. SCHOOL CONNECTED TO THE PARISH

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## WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We ask new parishioners to register with the Parish. Forms and Donation Envelopes are available at Church entrances, the Parish Office and [www.holyrosary.ca](http://www.holyrosary.ca)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.



## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)

**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

**ROSARY** Monday to Friday: 11:40 a.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday: 12:40 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saturday evening 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS TO SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament until 3pm with devotions at 2:45 p.m.

## First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Rosary with Veneration of Relics of St. Jacinta and Francisco Marto at 8:30 a.m.

Confessions at 8:30 a.m. Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration with Fatima Prayers 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Monday to Sunday 30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Please contact the parish office.

**ARRANGING A WEDDING** Please contact the Parish Office for information at least 1 year in advance.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND CARE FOR THE ELDERLY & SHUT-INS

Those confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, may arrange to receive communion by contacting the Parish Office.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*"Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me."*  
(Cf Psalm 26.8-9)



*"But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself." (Phil 3:20-1)*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

On this Second Sunday of Lent, the Church presents us with the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ. It is a deeply moving scene for the three privileged disciples to witness. The event is so remarkable that even St. Peter is at a loss for words! For a moment, Jesus's divine nature shines through his humanity. Jesus is "light from light" and radiates this divine light from within himself. It is unlike the light which shines upon us from the sun.

The Heavenly Father tells us to listen to his Son (cf. Lk 9:35). Listening is an essential part of our Lenten journey. We give up social media, television, and the radio so that we can have less noise to distract us from what our Lord wants to say. And what does Jesus have to say? Prepare yourselves for heaven (cf. Phil 3:20). We were made for heaven. We were made to live in glorified bodies too. We are not meant to remain without physical bodies for all eternity. Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, St. Paul tells us to look forward with hope to the day in which we too will be transfigured through Christ's own divine power.

The transfiguration gives us a glimpse of what will happen to us in the future. It only happens when we pray for and cooperate with God's grace. As Blessed Marmion, the famous Benedictine Abbot, taught, "all our sanctity consists in becoming by grace what Jesus Christ is by nature, the child of God." (Koenemann, 2024)

The best way to prepare for the transformation is to avoid everything that poisons our souls, in other words, sin. We should avoid sin as it is the junk food of our souls, in the same way we avoid junk food because of its detrimental effects on our bodies.

As part of our Lenten journey, please avail yourselves to the Sacrament of Confession. It will heal and restore and strengthen us all as we await the new heavens and new earth.

*Announcements*

1. This weekend, March 15/16 is Toonie Sunday for the St. Vincent de Paul Program. Please place a loonie or toonie

in one of the poor boxes located at each of the Church entrances. Thank you for your generosity.

2. Joy in Lent? Day of Recollection with Fr. Donald Raila OSB (Saturday, April 5th 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. Doors open at 7:30 AM).



In contrast to the emotion of happiness, Christian Joy, as a gift and a fruit of the Holy Spirit, is always available and is based on our acceptance of a close relationship with Christ. Since Lent is a season of focus on renewal in Christ, Joy should indeed be a characteristic of Lent, as is evidenced by the Rule of St. Benedict. Tickets are \$50 each and will be sold at the main entrance of the Church following all the Masses this weekend.

3. The **MARCH** Food of the Month donation are **BOXES OF CRACKERS** Please bring the donation to the Parish Office.

4. The next event for Seniors will take place on Wednesday, March 19th from 1PM - 2 PM in Room 2 of the Parish Hall. The topic is on Bridging the Divide: A Parishioner's Journey: How Seeking Truth and Reconciliation strengthened my faith. Please register with a member of the Seniors' Committee at the main entrance this weekend, following all the Masses.

5. Please join us for the Solemn Mass of St. Joseph, Canada's patron saint, on Wednesday, March 19th at 12:10 PM. Holy hour to follow from 1 PM - 2 PM.

6. Good Friday Procession (Friday, April 18 at 3 PM) at St. Francis of Assisi Parish (located at 72 Mansfield Ave.)

Following a tradition that goes back to 1962, St. Francis of Assisi Parish will be holding the annual Good Friday Procession. The procession includes religious statues, musical bands, and people representing different characters associated with the Passion of Christ. We are looking for volunteers of all ages to participate in the procession. To volunteer, visit the parish website at [www.stfrancis.ca](http://www.stfrancis.ca) and follow the instructions. Volunteer registration deadline is April 13, 2025. For more information, please contact St. Francis of Assisi Parish at: 416-536-8195.



7. Please join us on Sunday, April 6th at 2 PM for the Irish Concert and Afternoon Tea in support of St. Vincent de Paul. The concert will feature Eithne Heffernan (harpist) and Hugo Straney (entertainer). There will also be a raffle and bake sale. More details to follow.

# MARCH 16th, 2025

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, March 17, 2025

*Saint Patrick*

12:10 pm. Anita Adona (+)  
Requested By: Cecilia & Christine

### Tuesday, March 18, 2025

*Saint Cyril of Jerusalem*

12:10 pm. Joan Hibberd (+)  
Requested By: Patricia & Jeremy Gawen

### Wednesday, March 19, 2025

*Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

12:10 pm. Roy Lawless (+)  
Requested By: Susan Pilon

### Thursday, March 20, 2025

12:10 pm. Antonietta Carnovale (Birthday Blessings)  
Requested By: The Family

### Friday, March 21, 2025

12:10 pm. Carmel McGowan (+)  
Requested By: Eamonn & Beth Fitzsimons

7:00 pm. Luigarda Aviado (+)  
Requested By: Tess & Dan Aviado

Multiple Intentions: Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Saturday, March 22, 2025

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary and in reparation for all sins committed against her Immaculate Heart

5:00 pm. Sheila Ratchford (Birthday Blessings)  
Requested By: The Family

### Sunday, March 23, 2025

*Third Sunday of Lent*

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners  
10:00 am. Personal Intentions of the Vogt Family  
12:00 pm. Rudy Peralta (+) (1st-Year Death Anniversary) & Martin Peralta (Birthday Blessings)  
Requested By: Angelita Peralta




Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Madeleine Mendoza, Fr. Daniel Callam, Peter Verwoerd, Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeek, Edward Haggarty, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Please remember in your prayers those who have recently died, especially: James Patrick Ludwick (+).

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# LENTEN

## Devotions




6:30pm Stations of the Cross  
7pm Holy Mass  
7:30pm Spiritual Conference

Every Friday during Lent  
March 7th until April 11th



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## SOLEMNITY OF ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD

11:40am: Rosary  
12:10pm: Solemn Mass and Marian Consecration  
1pm: Holy Hour

Tuesday  
March 25th,  
2025



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