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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.

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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

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor." (Cf Psalm 24. 15-16)



"A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?' For Jews use nothing in common with

Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, 'If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.' (Jn 4: 7-10)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

On this Third Sunday of Lent, the Church presents us with the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman. Historically, the Jews and Samaritans despised each other. The story is long and complicated and makes today's Gospel reading so intriguing. John tells us it was "about noon." (Jn 4:6) Why is this time so significant? Normally, women would go to the well together, to extract water for their families, and to gossip. It was a regular part of their daily life. No one went to the well at noon because the sun would be at its peak making it very hot. This Samaritan woman was not exactly a beacon of moral purity. It is likely that she went to the well at that time to avoid the wagging tongues of her compatriots. To her surprise, a Jewish man is sitting by the well, and to her utter shock, he speaks to her! Her supposed archenemy.

Jesus asks her for a drink of water. She responds as expected. What is most surprising is that Jesus' request is not for liquid H₂O. He wants something else from her. Jesus wants the Samaritan woman to have faith in him. Only he knew what was going on in her heart. After all, he is God.

Like Nicodemus when he thought he had to be physically reborn, rather than spiritually reborn, she too keeps thinking in earthly terms. Jesus is telling her that he wants to provide her with the Holy Spirit, who is the Living Water. It is Jesus who gives us divine life. Her faith in Christ begins to grow after he reveals her lived situation. This woman is in a sinful relationship. She comes to believe that Jesus is a prophet because he was able to tell her about her past and present without ever having met her before their encounter at the well.

The Samaritan woman departs to tell others what just happened. She overcomes her public shame and tells others that the Messiah has arrived. John makes it clear that many believed because of her testimony (Jn 4:39). Her courage to

share her testimony led others to Jesus, who in turn, encountered him, and eventually came to believe in him.

Brothers and sisters, many of us have gone through life drinking from many different wells. However, we were always left thirsty. It was the encounter with Jesus Christ that finally gave us true refreshment. Let us follow the example of the Samaritan woman by sharing our testimonies with others so that they too can come to the Lord Jesus Christ and experience the power of his love.

Announcements

1. 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.

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

4. 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 23rd, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 24, 2025

12:10 pm. Rev. Rodolfo (+)
Requested By: Fr. Peter

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

The Annunciation of the Lord

12:10 pm. Apolina Fernandes (+)
Requested By: The Fernandes Family

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

12:10 pm. Harriet Capalla (+) (1st-Year
Death Anniversary)
Requested By: Friends & Family

Thursday, March 27, 2025

12:10 pm. Mary Joan Sammut (+)
Requested By: Rosa Caputo

Friday, March 28, 2025

12:10 pm. Sixto Dayluson Jr. (+)
7:00 pm. Holy Souls in Purgatory
Requested By: The Carnovale Family

Multiple Intentions: Victoria Da Sousa (+), Barbara Da
Sousa (+), Messias Da Sousa (+), Holy Souls in
Purgatory

Saturday, March 29, 2025

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

5:00 pm. Kirebko Cheslava (+)
Requested By: The Family

Sunday, March 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am. Stanley Gruda (+)
Requested By: Peter Cebulak

10:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners &
Penny Edgerley (+)


12:00 pm. Mimi Allemand (+)
Requested By: Monica Harding-McGowan
& David McGowan



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Mary Agnes Ludwick, 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 (+).

HOLY ROSARY PARISH



**SOLEMNITY OF
ANNUNCIATION OF OUR
LORD**


**Tuesday
March 25th,
2025**

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

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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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