

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

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.”

(Cf. Isaiah 66. 10-11)

Weekly Biblical Reflection

Jesus said to them, *“If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”* (John 9:41)

About halfway through Lent, you may have already given up. If so, I pray that this reflection touches your heart. On the other hand, if you are still persevering in your Lenten observances, way to go. I hope this reflection serves as a reminder against complacency. Some of the Jewish leaders in today’s Gospel saw themselves above reproach, by saying to the man healed from blindness: *“You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?”* (John 9:34). Just because I am going to Mass, praying before I eat, and giving up chocolate, does not necessarily mean that I am ready for heaven. In thinking that I am, I become blind. In other words, pride blocks an open heart.

While wondering why Jesus would use saliva and mud to heal the blind man, I also cringe at the thought. How many of us would be open to having a saliva-mud mixture applied to our eyes? The mud, however, brings us back to Ash Wednesday. The ashes rekindle our memory of when God formed us out of dirt (i.e., clay, dust). I did not give myself my own life; I received it when God formed my body and breathed into me a soul. Echoing St. Paul, what do I have that I did not receive? (1 Cor 4:7). My possessions, my relationships, and all of my accomplishments did not originate with me but were given to me by God as opportunities to grow.

As we inch ever closer to our Easter celebration, we are encouraged by today’s Gospel to recall the heart of the matter—the main reason we are going through Lent. You and I are called to detach from the things of this world, as good as they may be, to rediscover our utter dependence on God. Living a comfortable and complacent life, I find it way too easy to treat my relationship with God, along with my Lenten observances, as just another thing on my To-Do List. In doing so, I become blind to the false idols and the subtly harmful habits that I need to address. By acknowledging my deeply embedded sins (i.e., bad habits), I can ask the Blessed Mother to lead me to Jesus, so that she may sweeten the uncomfortable yet healing process of Jesus applying saliva and mud on my eyes.

- Keith Diaz, LPA

Announcements

1. You’re invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca, where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act), which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

Protect Mental Health, Protect Life

2. The next Seniors' event will take place on **Wednesday, March 18th, at 1:00 pm in Room 2 of the Holy Rosary Parish Hall**. Donna Fagan, a registered dietician and founder of Food and Faith, will talk about Nutritional Strategies for Aging Gracefully. Please register with a member of the Seniors' Committee following all masses this weekend, March 14/15.

3. You can help men answer God’s call to the priesthood by supporting ShareLife

God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi’s heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine’s Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. His path has been one of both grace and challenge, yet he has walked forward without fear—because of you. Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into the priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God’s call.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is next weekend, March 21/22. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

MARCH 15th, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 16, 2026

12:10 pm. Maud Murphy (+)
Requested By: Betty & Eamonn Fitzsimons

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

12:10 pm. Elia Grasso (+)
Requested By: Family

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

12:10 pm. Dervilla Dunn (+)
Requested By: Lori & Annette

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 pm. Anna Maria Guzman (+)
& Holy Rosary Parishioners
Requested By: H.R. Staff

Friday, March 20, 2026

12:10 pm. Anna Bakos (+)
Requested By: Edit

Multiple Intentions:

Guilherme De Sousa (+), Mariana De Sousa (+),
Duarte A. Pavao (+), Maria C. Pavao (+), Manuel De
Viveiros (+), Sara De Viveiros (+), Argia Diluca (+)
(Death Anniversary), Domingo dela Cruz Jr. (+), Joe
Virto (+), Jose Messina (+), Anna Millar (+), Maria
Grobin (+), Jordan Kong (Special Intentions), &
Jennifer Shum

7:00 pm. In Thanksgiving
Requested By: Simon & Deepa

Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

5:00 pm Victoria Di Bello (+)
Requested By: Lillian Nasello

Sunday, March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners &
William Ursulum (+)
Requested By: Florida Abides

10:00 am. Isa Simon (+) & Janet
Simon-Smith (+)
Requested By: The Simon Family

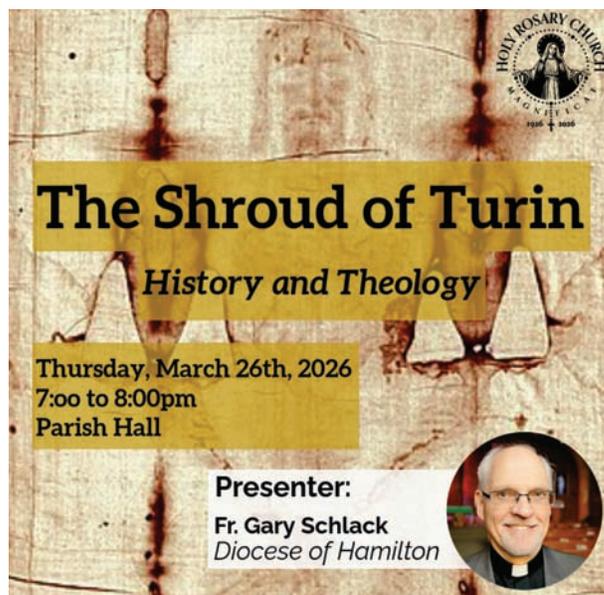
12:00 pm. Cesario Fabro (+)
Requested By: Family

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Goretta Raposo, Miranda Thompson, Richard Marshall, Paul Swarney, Kaye Graham, Mary Hopkins, Peter Robinson, Dominic Curran, Gerard Gonsalves, Mary Castillo de Vega, Mary Agnes Ludwick, Madeleine Mendoza, Peter Verwoerd, Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeck, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Please remember in your prayers those who recently died, especially: Angelo Paolucci (+), Anna Artuso (+), Pat O'Mahony (+).

Divine Mercy Retreat

Join us for a Day of Recollection on Saturday, April 11th, led by Sr. Donata Farbaniec of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, which is the same religious order that St. Faustina was a part of. \$50 fee includes lunch. To purchase tickets or for more information, please contact the Parish Office.



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