

# St. Marguerite D'Youville Parish

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## PASTORAL STAFF

**Fr. Roger Pascall, Pastor**  
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## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm & 8:00 pm

## WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 9:15 am  
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours/Divine Mercy: 1 hour before Masses

**Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion:** Wednesdays at 9:15 am

**First Friday of the Month:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
9:15 am Mass till 7:30 pm; Devotions at 6:30 pm; evening prayer  
with Benediction 7:00 pm, Mass at 7:30 pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm and by appointment.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Fr. Clair Tipping, 25 Mountainberry Rd.	905-789-1741
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*"Providence is wonderful, it has means  
we cannot understand to relieve  
those who put their trust in it,  
it provides for everything, in it is my trust."*

## PARISH MISSION

*Marguerite d'Youville's belief in the guidance and loving involvement of God in her life has enabled her to become God's helping hands in the lives of others. In this same spirit, the parishioners of St. Marguerite d'Youville, nourished by the Word and Sacrament are called by God to foster a community of welcome and service. In union with Christ, we reach out through prayer and active participation within our parish, our schools, our community and beyond. We offer our gifts and talents to everyone in need and respond in faith to the challenges of our ever-changing world.*

## 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### Mass Intentions

<b>MON, APR 26</b> 9:00 am	Idalina Cordeiro and all deceased family members †; Florence Rita Manuepillai †; All Souls in Purgatory †
<b>TUES, APR 27</b> 9:00 am	
<b>WED, APR 28</b> 9:00 am	Domenic Maida †; For the Intentions of Fr. Robert Mignella
<b>THUR, APR 29</b> 9:00 am	
<b>FRI, APR 30</b> 9:00 am	Jennifer Chung †
<b>SAT, MAY 1</b> 9:00 am	In thanksgiving & for the intentions of May Punzalan
5:00 pm	
<b>SUN, MAY 2</b> 12:30 pm	Valentin D'Lima †; Vito & Vince Cristello †

### Redemptoris Custos, St. John Paul II, 1989, for May1, St. Joseph the Worker

*The same aura of silence that envelops everything else about Joseph also shrouds his work as a carpenter in the house of Nazareth. It is, however, a silence that reveals in a special way the inner portrait of the man. The Gospels speak exclusively of what Joseph "did." Still, they allow us to discover in his "actions" - shrouded in silence as they are - an aura of deep contemplation. Joseph was in daily contact with the mystery "hidden from ages past," and which "dwelt" under his roof.*

For many, the Covid lockdowns have hurt us by rendering us non-essential. Even if our jobs are considered of front line necessity, for devout and concerned Christians, the signs of the times have pointed to an even further reduced practice of faith. Access to the sacraments and their communal reception has been limited. The day-to-day battle of discerning how best to put our abilities to proper use and focus our efforts to give witness to our determination to participate in the great spiritual battles of our day is best left to the mentoring of St. Joseph. He appreciates what it is like to quietly and diligently arrange for what is coming, as evidenced by his conscientious care of his wife and son.

*CC Ponder*

### *Why is May the Month of Mary?*



The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Some say because it was created to replace various pagan cults.

The actual reason is the fact that this month is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our saviour Jesus Christ. The link between Mary and the month of May became popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it had a firm hold among their students at the Roman College and a short time later it was publicly celebrated in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the rest of the Church. The pious practice of honouring Mary during the month of May has been especially promoted by the Popes. Pius XII made frequent

reference to it and in his great Encyclical *on the Sacred Liturgy Mediator Dei*. He characterized it as one of "other exercises of piety which although not strictly belonging to the Sacred Liturgy, are nevertheless of special import and dignity, and may be considered in a certain way to be an addition to the liturgical cult: they have been approved and praised over and over again by the Apostolic See and by the Bishops Devotion to Mary is one an important part of the Catholic identity. As our mother she is an example of a committed "Yes" to the will of God. Because of the devotion to her many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child does with his

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Good Shepherd Sunday

This Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Easter is referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. And there is one reason for that, the psalm is the twenty third psalm referred to as the Good Shepherd psalm.

But in the gospel reading as well, and John's Gospel, Jesus also refers to himself as the Good Shepherd. So we celebrate this weekend, God as good shepherd, God as protector and provider.

If you go through the twenty third psalm, it spells out in great detail the nature of our dependence on God as shepherd, and it comes out in every part of the psalm.

The Lord is my shepherd- that is relationship,

I shall not want-that is supply,

He makes me lie down in green pastures-that is the rest,

He leads me beside still waters- that is refreshment,

He restores my soul-that is healing,

He leads me in the path of righteousness,-that is guidance,

Yea, though I walk through the Valley of darkness -that is testing,

I will fear no evil-that is protection,

For you all with me-that is faithfulness,

You prepare a table for me-that is hope,

You anoint my head with oil-that is consecration,

My cup runneth over-that is abundance,

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me-that is a blessing,

I will dwell in the house of the Lord-that is security.

May all the blessings of the Good Shepherd be with you now and forever.



*Fr. Roger*

**RESTRICTIONS FOR ALL PARISHES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO AS OF MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021**

• Parishes must restrict attendance inside the church to 10 people, including priests hearing confessions or a staff member/volunteer required to monitor capacity restrictions. Due to these measures, public Masses must be temporarily cancelled. Priests are asked to celebrate private Mass daily for the intentions of parishioners and for those suffering from COVID-19.



• Churches, wherever possible and according to the judgement of the pastor, are encouraged to remain open for private prayer and for the faithful to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Weddings, funerals and baptisms are restricted to 10 persons, including those who are involved in ministry (priest, cantor, etc.). First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmations should be postponed at this time.

**LIVE STREAM MASS**



Weekday Mass will be lived streamed on our YouTube Channel daily Monday to Saturday at 9:00am. Weekend Mass will be live streamed on Saturdays at 5:00pm and Sundays at 12:30pm. Please note that all intentions previously booked for the Sunday 9:00am; 10:30am & 5:00pm Masses will be included at the 12:30pm Mass. To access our YouTube channel simply go to our website and click on the [live stream link](#).

**COMMUNION & CONFESSION**

During the current restrictions we will be offering Communion service on Saturdays from 5:45pm - 7:00pm and Sundays from 9:00am - 11:30am. Please call the office to book and appointment for Confessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**SUPPORT VOCATIONS THROUGH SHARELIFE**

When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests. Your gift to ShareLife is investing in our Church's future by supporting 54 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in the current academic year.



Our parish goal is: **\$90,900**

To date, we have raised: **[insert parish total \$]**

**SMDY - EXTRAORDINARY LABOUR FORCE**

Our church building and property are aging. We have to repair the roof, lawn irrigation system and many other repairs and then, we will maintain it properly. We also plan to introduce some very special features to the church property. A meditation/reflection/prayer garden is one. To achieve this, a new ministry has been created. It is the St. Marguerite D'Youville Extraordinary Labour Force, ELF for short. ELF will keep the church property in good condition and also will allow parishioners opportunities to contribute their labour to our church. ELF will be a very special and unique ministry. The Chief ELF is Francis Sim P.Eng, 905-451-1492, [fsim@fpsim-eng.com](mailto:fsim@fpsim-eng.com). Please contact Francis for information and to sign up to join ELF. Join us to contribute your labour. It will be good if you have special skills to contribute. But if you just want to help, we will also teach you the skills you need.

Come just to help and enjoy and learn. When the church re-opens again, ELF will be presented at a weekend's masses. We need volunteers !!! Come be an ELF.

**VOLUNTEER**



**OFFICE HOURS**

We will be working modified hours and the church will be open for private prayer only during hours that the office is open. The times are: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-8pm and Sundays from 9am-3pm.



**PARISH ENVELOPES**

We are re-assigning 2021 Parishioner Donation Envelope numbers this year. If you are interested in a box please come to the office.



Please DO NOT use envelopes from previous years as all numbers have been reassigned. Once you receive your new box make sure you write all your information (Name, Address and phone number) for the first couple of weeks. Thank you.

**MISSALS**

The 2021 Saint Joseph Sunday Missals are now available for sale in the Office for \$5.00 or after Mass on Sundays.

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, May 1st

Prayer to St. Joseph

St. Joseph, the Church turns to you most especially during this year dedicated to your honour. Scripture and tradition reveal you to be a man just and good, silent in speech, providing for and protecting of Mary and Jesus entrusted to your care.

Help us to love and serve them as you did.

St. Joseph, we have also come to know you as one naturally challenged to understand the mystery of God's plan for you. Your manly desires for spousal love and family life were completely transformed in that what God asked of you.

You were faithfully receptive in allowing His grace to sustain you in your supernatural responsibilities. Your dreams guided you to discern and confirm the path you ought to take.

We your sons and daughters, struggle in all the sinfulness and weakness of our common humanity.

Help all men to live out their masculinity as heroically and attractively as you did your own.

Help all women to flourish in their femininity in the courageous and beautiful manner you allowed your spouse to live out her own.

Help all children to thrive in discovering their abilities and giftedness as you mentored your own son.

In this country of ours, the city of Montreal gives witness to an Oratory that fosters special devotion to you. This Oratory speaks of a glorious heritage and yet, a faith that has grown cold.

Renew and strengthen us in our seeking your intercession, that we may all realize the Providential design of Pope Francis' inspiration in drawing our attention to seeing you as a man for the difficult times in which we live. You who are patron of the universal Church and terror of demons, plead for us that we may advance the cause of God's family in the midst of the evils and dangers we face that we may be never lacking in confidence. We ask this in your name, together with the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to obtain these favours through the goodness of your Son.

Amen.

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