# St. Marguerite D'Youville Parish

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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
Good Shepherd, 28 Red River Dr.	905-791-1039
Our Lady of Providence, 35 Black Oak Dr.	905-458-7080
St. Isaac Jogues, 300 Great Lakes Dr.	905-799-2558
St. John Bosco, 1025 North Park Dr.	905-792-0890
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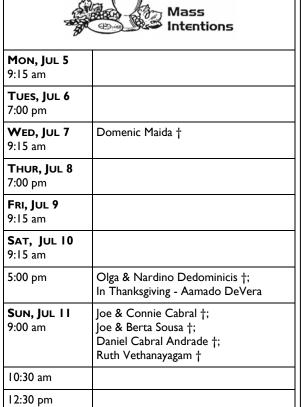


"Providence is wonderful, it has means we cannot understand to relieve those who put their trust in it, it provides for everything, in it is my trust."

#### 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 prayer and out through 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.

#### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### PRAYER FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

#### Psalm 139.

8:00 pm

O Lord, you search me and you know me. You know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar. You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you. If I take the wings of the dawn and dwell at the sea's furthest end, even there your hand would lead me, your right hand would hold me fast. For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of your creation.

Already you knew my soul, my body held no secret from you. When I was being fashioned in secret and molded in the depths of the earth. To me, how mysterious your thoughts. The sum of them not to be numbered! If I count them, they are more than the sand; to finish I must be eternal, like you.

O search me God, and know my heart. O test me and know my thoughts. See that I follow not the wrong path and lead me to the path of eternal life.

CONGRATULATIONS! ENJOY ALL THE BLESSINGS OF GOD'S BEAUTIFUL, PRECIOUS GIFT. PS 127.3

Amen.

Stockholm syndrome, psychological response wherein a captive begins to identify closely with his or her captors, as well as with their agenda and demands.

Britannica encyclopedia definition

The phenomena to the condition cited derives from a bank robbery dating back to August 1973. The perpetrators of the crime detained 4 hostages during a 6 day stand-off with police. As indicated in the definition, the captives developed strong sympathies for their captors. The trauma of the experience led them to recognize deeply that their own survival was intimately connected to the stability of those who were using them as negotiation ploys. Notably, this identification persisted well after the crisis was resolved. Months later, during the criminal trial, the captives still identified and empathized with those who threatened them. The same phenomena has been observed and documented in other hostage situations.

Accordingly then, how much of the Stockholm Syndrome do you feel when it comes to one's own oppressed and threatened existence? When surveying the hostile and toxic forces in society, scandals in the church, taboo topics in our families...it is ever so difficult to separate true compassion as opposed to going along with the menacing agenda of the oppressor. When one's sense of security and viability feel under siege, our own internal coping skills can tempt us to adopt a timid and compliant disposition of a docile prisoner. How we need to cry out and cling to Christ to rescue and liberate us from this psychological enslavement!

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#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As someone once said, when you are down to nothing, God is up to something. And those words are so true. The readings this weekend are for those of you looking for perfection and you can't seem to find it. It's for those of you who have From the

prayed and prayed over some issue and can't seem to get an answer.

God seems to be an old man with bad hearing and bad eyesight. And I'm talking about any situation

that you might have prayed about. It could be a situation in your home, your family, your marriage, a friend or acquaintance, your place of work. You have prayed and prayed over it and absolutely nothing has happened.

Well, this is how St. Paul felt in our second reading this weekend. We are told in 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 12.7 that Paul had an issue. We are not quite sure what it is. He called it a torn in the flesh. Whatever it was it led to great weakness and discomfort in his life.

And Paul prayed and prayed about it, we had told three times and God did absolutely nothing.

The answer God gave to him was simply this- "My grace is sufficient." Paul takes this message to heart and lived it as a creed. He says in 1 Corinthians "I am content with the weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecution and constraints for the sake of Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong." So my friends, whatever your circumstances might be trust in the Lord, that his power might be made manifest in your weakness and pain. God bless you. Have a great week.

Happy Canada Day

Fr. Roger

## SUNDAY, JULY 4TH, 2021

#### RESTRICTIONS FOR ALL PARISHES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO AS OF JUNE 30TH, 2021

Attendance is limited to 25% capacity of the worship space (including those assisting - priest, cantor, etc.) for sacramental celebrations, with the exception of funerals (see below). Physical distancing must be observed at all times.

Funerals are limited to 75 people (including those assisting but not including funeral home staff) per direction from the Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO).

#### **SMDY KIDS CORNER**

Our new Online Children's Liturgy program is designed for all children and teaches the Liturgy of the Word in terms children can understand. During this time of COVID restrictions it has been hard for us to continue with the program and so we will be offering an online option to communicate with the parish's children. We have produced instructive videos for the children to view to help them on their Christian journey and can be accessed by clicking on the SMDY Kids Corner image on our website.



#### **SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION & CONFRMATION**

Dates for students registered for First Communion and Confirmation in the 2020-2021 school year have been set and emails have been sent to parents. If you have not received an email please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Dates have been set for mid July 2021.

#### 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 Envelope box make sure you write all your information (Name, Address and phone number) for the first couple of weeks. Thank you.



#### **SMDY - EXTRAORDINARY LABOUR FORCE**



A new ministry has been created at our church. Extraordinary Labour Force, or ELF for short, has been created to serve our church in all matters relating to non-spiritual aspects of the church. In short, it will look after the mainte-

nance and physical management of our church. The formal recruitment will be launched on the weekend of July 24 & 25. We take this opportunity to thank all parishioners who have helped to maintain our church in the past. Please by all means continue with your contribution by signing up with ELF and work with them in organized ways. To help ELF do its work in organized ways, we ask those of you who have helped maintaining our church to no longer continue your work on your own. Join ELF to continue your work.

#### **VIRTUAL SUMMER CAMP**

All youth, ages 4 to 12 years old, are invited to register for St. Monica's free virtual summer camp. We create opportunities for campers to learn about and participate in the Catholic faith in ways that engage and relate to their lives. Daily uploads will lead our campers and their families to Christ, right in the comfort of their home. Weekdays: Monday, July 12 to Friday, August 13.

> **REGISTER:** http://bit.ly/StMonicaParishCamp **CONTACT:** St. Monica's Parish **PHONE:** 416-483-1513 EMAIL: stmonicaparishcamp@gmail.com

#### **SHARELIFE**

Please make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or sharelife.org. Our parish goal is: \$90,900 To date, we have raised: \$15,491

#### LIVE STREAM MASS

Weekend Mass will be live streamed on Saturdays at 5:00pm. To access our YouTube channel simply go to our website and click on the live stream link.



**OFFICE HOURS** 

OFFICE We will be working modified hours and the church will be open for private HOURS prayer only during hours that the office is open. The times are: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-7pm and Sundays from 9am-

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mass Intentions are booked through the parish office, if you are not able to physically come into the office during office hours please call the office and speak to someone to ensure your intention is processed accordingly. Payments can be made at the office or by placing your donation in the collection basket in a clearly marked envelope "Mass Intention" with the name and date of the intention. Thank you.

#### CONFESSION

We return to our regular schedule of Confessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 - 6:45pm, Saturdays from 4:00pm - 4:45pm and by appointment. Please call the office to book and appointment.

#### **MISSALS**

The 2021 Saint Joseph Sunday Missals are now available for sale in the Office for \$5.00 during office hours.

### SUMMER BLESSING FOR FAMILIES

May we make our homes places of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of the summertime. Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. May we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us as we enjoy the warm days of summertime. - The Catholic Review

#### Bulletin

Please note we will not be publishing the bulletin during the summer, stay tuned to our parish website for any news or announcements. Have a safe summer.



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