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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
Ven. Michael J. McGivney, 450 Fernforest Dr.	905-792-0630
St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary School	905-789-5560



*"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.

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

MON, SEP 6 9:15 am	Anthony Rodricks †
7:00 pm	
TUES, SEP 7 7:00 pm	
WED, SEP 8 9:15 am	Maria Salazar Perez †; In Thanksgiving for the 25th Anniversary of the Prayer Group
7:00 pm	
THUR, SEP 9 7:00 pm	Manuel & Genoveva Barbosa †; Gorgonio & Wenceslada Velasco †; In Thanksgiving - Maria & Amrik Chahil; In Thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother, Jesus & St. Joseph; In Thanksgiving to all the Angels and Saints; For the health of Clara Broganza & Louise D'Cruz; For the intentions of past & present Parish Priests
FRI, SEP 10 9:15 am	
SAT, SEP 11 9:15 am	
5:00 pm	Joe Sgambelluri † Francesco Crupi †
SUN, SEP 12 9:00 am	Nada Naysum †;
10:30 am	
12:30 pm	Eugene Coelho †; Isabel & Vanessa †; In Thanksgiving for the 34th Anniversary of Alex & Carina Esguerra
8:00 pm	

The Story of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. However, the apocryphal *Protoevangelium of James* fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace."

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary>

Work is a fundamental right and a good for mankind, a useful good, worthy of man because it is an appropriate way for him to give expression to and enhance his human dignity. The Church teaches the value of work not only because it is always something that belongs to the person but also because of its nature as something necessary. Work is needed to form and maintain a family, to have a right to property, to contribute to the common good of the human family. In considering the moral implications that the question of work has for social life, the Church cannot fail to indicate unemployment as a "real social disaster" above all with regard to the younger generations.

- section 287, Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church

Under the collective experience of lockdowns and slow-staged reopenings, the Covid 19 interruption has greatly shifted the world of work. Having one's work being deemed as non-essential is demoralizing. Getting used to not leaving the house and waiting for the depositing of compensation payment is dangerous. The basic skills and habits of having to be punctual and presentable, reliable and engaged, diligent and focused has been altered. Working remotely or having no work to punch in for may have had the immediate benefit of a reprise from an office schedule and traffic avoidance, but its unintended consequences of mental health related depression, addiction, domestic violence are troubling realities – especially if current restrictive measures are the new norm and here-to-stay. Further pressure from mandated vaccine requirements or compliance with intrusive social norms also seem to be part of the new work environment where one's employment can be terminated/canceled if one does not comply with questionable/unquestionable public policy. For those who are having their rights and freedoms usurped by public policy, it is lamentable that the state has so intruded into areas where she is proving to be incompetent, divisive and destructive.

We entrust all these perennial and emerging concerns to our Lord who understands our striving to earn our daily bread. In this year of St. Joseph, we again turn to this valiant model as a humble yet radiant sign upholding the dignity of all workers. His family certainly appreciated his life sustaining contributions stemming from his simple yet skilled craftsmanship. The Church has so much to say in regards to labour, capital, economy and social justice; it would be so good and widely beneficial to have her teachings studied and put into practice

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Greetings everyone, we resume publication of the bulletin. I welcome you to this ongoing means of communication at our parish. We have been busy with the reopening process, trying to engage ministries and foster a normal sense of church. Your support has been vital in this process.



Today I want to pray for us in the words of St. Paul's letter to the Collossians:

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

God Bless

Fr. Roger

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2021

REVISED WORSHIPS SAFE PROTOCOLS

In stage 3 of the reopening stage we are not limited to an in person percentage capacity. However please note the following:

- Regarding spiritual services and activities held on church property, physical distancing of two metres (six feet) remains at this time unless members are from the same household. (We are limited to 70 designated spots within the sanctuary)
- By-laws remain in place requiring the use of a face mask in public spaces indoors and hand sanitising upon entering.
- If you are sick and or experiencing any of the following symptoms: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, recent loss of taste or smell, soar throat, congestion, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea; please do not attend to church and contact your health care provider.

Before you go to a business or public place

Answer a few questions to help keep your community safe from COVID-19.



NOVENA OUR LADY OF VALANKANI

From Monday, August 30th to Tuesday, September 7th at 6:00pm, you are invited to attend nine days of prayer leading up to the liturgical feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Wednesday, September 8th at Mass 7:00 pm.

The novena prayer will take place daily in our parishes' chapel.

Novena & Mass as follows:

- * Saturday, September 4th, Novena after 5pm Mass
- * Sunday, September 5th, 6pm Novena; Mass at 8pm
- * Monday, September 6th, 6pm Novena followed by Mass
- * Tuesday, September 7th, 6pm Novena followed by Mass
- * Wednesday, September 8th Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 6pm Novena followed by Mass. All are welcome to attend!



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.



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.



SHARELIFE

Thanks to generous donors like you, ShareLife agencies helped 150,000 people locally last year. They includes 1,900 young pregnant and parenting women and their babies. These women take parenting classes, receive diapers and healthy food, and get one-on-one support as they complete their high school education. We encourage you to support this work by making a gift to ShareLife via the [parish website](#) or at [sharelife.org](#).

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

To date, we have raised: **\$18,684**

October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.



OFFICE HOURS

As of September 7th we will be open more days and evenings; the church will be open for private prayer during the hours that the office is open. The times are: Tuesdays to Thursdays from 9:00am-8:00pm, Fridays and Sundays from 9:00am-3:00pm.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA):

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Are you an adult in need of completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and Eucharist)? If so, please leave your information at the parish office as soon as possible to begin the registration process. Sessions will begin in October.



55 PLUS CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

STICHES FROM THE HEART

Parish Knitting & Crocheting Group will resume on Monday September 13th and continue every Monday at 10.00 am in the church hall. Everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. Hope to see you there. For more info contact Mary 905 793-4502.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

We will be resuming our meetings at the Church:

The Executive Meeting will take place on Monday, September 13th at 7pm in the small Hall.

The General Meeting will take place on Monday, September 27th at 7pm in the large Hall.



LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday beginning September 7th : Adults: 7:40 PM; every Friday Children 5:50 PM. Parents are welcome. Our Lady of Fatima statue will visit your home. For more information, please leave a message for Lina Go or Annette Fernand at the parish office.

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.

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](#).



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