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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.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



MON, JAN 9 9:15 am	Sylvino DaSilva †; Francisco DaSilva †
TUES, JAN 10 7:00 pm	Clemente Crisol †
WED, JAN 11 9:15 am	For the health of John Ostrowski
THUR, JAN 12 7:00 pm	Nada Naysun †
FRI, JAN 13 9:15 am	Roberta Hill †
SAT, JAN 14 9:15 am	Victoriano & Angelica Lucero †; Robert and Stanley McDonald †
5:00 pm	Costanza & Giuseppe Finelli †
SUN, JAN 15 9:00 am	
10:30 am	
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †
8:00 pm	People of Our Parish



We are accepting registrations for our Parish Youth Program Edge (Gr 5-8) Sign up after Mass and drop off the registration and payment at the parish office.

The deadline has been extended to Friday, January 13th, 2023

**First Edge night -
Friday, January 13th, 2023**

Cost: \$50 (includes t-shirt and snacks)

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information email Margaret at dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com

The order of charity requires that I love God first; my own soul second – I cannot sin in order to save someone else from sin; the souls of others third, according to their proximity of nature or institution to me; their bodies fourth; and my body last.

-St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), Doctor of the Church, from his Summa Theologiae, II-II Question 26

In combining New Year resolutions with the feast of the Epiphany's Magi visit, heeding the astute teaching of the wise man, St. Thomas Aquinas, can provide some needed clarity and focus. As a helpful checklist of prioritizing efforts is intended to do, the cited text crystallizes, in ever precise manner, how and where we ought to be concentrating our energies. For those entrusted with the responsibility of care for others, St. Thomas Aquinas' ordering of charity may come across as being counter intuitive. Does not even the gospel inform us to place the needs of others before our own? In a crisis situation, when triage care is performed in urgency, does the focus not shift to heroically rescuing those in most critical need? And yet, there is some practicality and common sense to the standard advisory of pre-flight protocol: "in the event of loss of cabin pressure, tend to your own mask before assisting others." You are not very helpful to others, if you are incapacitated. Love of God is commanded as first priority to help us anchor and gauge our commitment to all the other demands that love places upon us. In receiving his sanctifying grace to preserve us from sin, we are more disposed to properly organize our care for others. Notable in the checklist is the emphasis on the tending to spiritual well-being over the physical well-being of ourselves and others. This citation from St. Thomas Aquinas is being echoed among many Catholic circles in retrospectively analyzing the Churches' own compliance to lockdowns and the shutting of Churches. The excessive measures implemented and insisted upon, over such a long period, are cited as evidence of having shifted from sound traditional wisdom. In the event that such restrictive measures are ever reinstated, will we see the acknowledgment of the Church, the worship owed to God, and sacramental care, deemed as an essential service?

CC Ponder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The visit of the wise men, the Magi, occurs only in Matthew's gospel. It is much shorter and simpler than most readers likely remember. Over the years they have been given different names and historical appendages, probably because the story has a certain cultural appeal.

In these short lines there is magic (a moving star), intrigue (Herod's questioning) and a surprise ending (they fell down and did him homage.) They are often portrayed as visiting Jesus in the manger, but this is highly unlikely. The holy family must have found more comfortable accommodations by then. Jesus would have been about two and living in Bethlehem.

The gifts they gave Jesus are rather strange and not at all age appropriate. Gold, frankincense and myrrh. Here there is no sentimentality, no little Lord Jesus who lay down his sweet head. Rather these gifts point to his kingship, his holiness and his death and suffering. In a sense we are all Magi. We are all searching, chasing and calculating our way through this world. The question is whether we will allow God to do something new in our lives. Whether we trust God enough to lead us and guide us.

May our search for God be as single-minded and resolute as the wise men. Amen



Fr. Roger

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2023 boxes of Offertory Envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please ensure you pick up your own box and that your name & address is correct so that when the T4 slips for income tax purposes are prepared, they will be sent with the correct name & address. If your box is not there, need to make any changes, or you wish to begin using envelopes fill out an Envelope Request Form and return it to the office.



REMINDER: DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We now have a prayer binder in the chapel area where you can write your particular prayer intentions. Our morning prayer devotee's will pray for these intentions. You are welcome to join these prayer warriors Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:15am. Prayer books to follow along are available for sale for \$30.

"And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him." 1 John 5:15"

SERRA CLUB OF NORTH PEEL



Of course, we all want to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and the other sacraments for our eternal salvation. We are looking for anyone interested in joining the Serra Club of North Peel, whose members are from the parishes of Brampton, Caledon and Orangeville. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life. For without priests, we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls. We meet every 4th Saturday at St. Mary's Church, 66A Main St. S., Brampton, after the 9 am Mass. For information, please contact Carlos Abug, Email: carlq7@gmail.com, Tel: 416-409-1384

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CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH BISHOP NGUYEN

Sunday, February 12 – 2:30pm. As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/> The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m. Registration opens on December 9, 2022. Please visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage to register and to access resources for parishes and couples.

SERRA'S VOCATION SEEDS

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 Email: vocations@archtoronto.org or www.vocationstoronto.ca



CHURCH/OFFICE HOURS

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.

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 an appointment.

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE



The Fall Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set. The Course will be held for four consecutive Saturdays April 15, 22, 29 & May 6th, 2023 from 12:00pm - 4pm. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.

THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. We will resume in the New year on January 10th. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Will resume on Monday January 9th and meets every Monday at 10 am, everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. For further information, please contact Mary Abela at 905-793-4502. *Any donation of yarn would be greatly appreciated*

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm. Our Lady of Fatima statue will visit your home. For more information, please leave message for Lina Go or Annette Fernando at the parish office.

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