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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



*"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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



MON, MAR 6 9:15 am	For the health Jim Florecki
7:00 PM	Valarie Rosario †
TUES, MAR 7 7:00 pm	Shelton Fernando †; Rocco Mesiti †
WED, MAR 8 9:15 am	In Thanksgiving - Chazhoor Family
7:00 PM	
THUR, MAR 9 7:00 pm	Varghese Thomas †
FRI, MAR 10 9:15 am	Clemente Crisol †; In thanksgiving for the 50th Anniversary of Francis & Linda Medina
7:00 PM	Catherina Kleinbeernick †
SAT, MAR 11 9:15 am	Shelton Fernando †
5:00 pm	Cecilia D'Souza †
SUN, MAR 12 9:00 am	Vince Alarcon †; Manuel & Genoveva Barbosa †; For the health of Jim Florecki
10:30 am	Vito Oliveri †; George DeSousa †; Girolamo Gandolfo †; Maria Bettencourt †
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †
8:00 pm	Nada Naysun †



You can still register for our Parish Youth Program Edge (Gr 5-8) Sign up after Mass and drop off the registration and payment at the parish office.

NEXT EDGE NIGHT Friday, March 10th

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

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

A hurtful act is the transference to others of the degradation which we bear in ourselves.

The only way into truth is through one's own annihilation; through dwelling a long time in a state of extreme and total humiliation.

There is one, and only one, thing in modern society more hideous than crime namely, repressive justice.

To set up as a standard of public morality a notion which can neither be defined nor conceived is to open the door to every kind of tyranny.

Simone Weil (1909-1943), philosopher, author, and convert to Christ

In the turbulent period of early European 20th century culture and politics, this Jewish born Parisian, introverted, intelligent, young woman was raised in bourgeois privilege in an agnostic home. Against a backdrop where atheism and nihilistic existentialism was highly in vogue in academic circles, the perceptive and scholarly Simone ranked first in her elite class at the prestigious École normale supérieure, located in the famous Latin Quarter, south of Notre Dame. For Simone, once established as a professor of philosophy, it was insufficient for her to merely lecture and write about the societal woes of the oppressed; she was determined to join them and enter into their plight. She took a sabbatical in the 1930's to go measure the temperature of Communism and Nazism in Germany; she sought employment alongside other unskilled women in a soul-draining, physically-demanding car factory; she went off to enroll in the Spanish Civil War as an anarchist. Concurrently, it was a series of encounters with Catholics that led to her conversion: she witnessed the faith of the Portuguese in a procession of fishing vessels; she visited Assisi and soaked in its serenity; she sought refuge in a Benedictine French convent and was soothed by their rhythm of prayer and chant. These pivotal and defining graces led to her baptism. During the second world war, she enlisted as a nurse with England to alleviate the suffering of French soldiers and other civilian casualties. Her death at age 34 was a result of her body consuming itself from the prayer and fasting she offered up to intercede for an end to the atrocities that were engulfing Europe.

During this season of Lent, we pray that Our Lord, victim for our sins, powerfully moves us to a deeper conversion and solidarity with his suffering servants.

CC Ponder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

But in today's Lenten Liturgy, the Church wants us to look back past Moses. Indeed, we are asked to contemplate what today's Epistle calls God's "design . . . from before time began."

With His promises to Abram in today's First Reading, God formed the people through whom He would reveal Himself and bestow His blessings on all humanity.

He later elevated these promises to eternal covenants and changed Abram's name to Abraham, promising that he would be father of a host of nations. In remembrance of His covenant with Abraham, He raised up Moses, and later swore an everlasting kingdom to David's sons.

In Jesus' transfiguration today, He is revealed as the One through whom God fulfills His divine plan from of old.

Not only a new Moses, Jesus is also the "beloved son" promised to Abraham and again to David.

Moses foretold a prophet like him to whom Israel would listen, and Isaiah foretold an anointed servant in whom God would be well pleased. Jesus is this prophet and this servant, as the Voice on the mountain tells us today.

By faith we have been made children of the covenant with Abraham. He calls us, too, to a holy life, to follow His Son to the heavenly homeland He has promised. We know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that we who hope in Him will be delivered from death.

So like our father in faith, we go forth as the Lord directs us: "Listen to Him!"

Fr. Roger



SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2023



FIRST COMMUNION - IMPORTANT DATES

LENTEN PROMISE WEEKEND - 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Lenten promise weekend March 4th/5th is fast approaching. The Lenten Promise letters have been delivered to our parish schools. Please attend ONE of the following weekend Masses

· **Saturday, March 4th at 5:00pm**

Sunday, March 5th 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:30pm or 8pm

And bring in your Lenten Promise activity. If you do not receive the letter and activity please email us or pick up a copy at the parish office.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Please join us on Friday March 17th at 7:00pm to celebrate a special Mass for St. Patrick's Day. Don't forget to wear green!

God our Father, you sent Saint Patrick to preach your glory to the people of Ireland. By the help of his prayers, may all Christians proclaim your love to all men.



DAY OF RECOLLECTION

On Sunday March 19th and in honour of the feast of St. Joseph we will be offering a special day of recollection for all Men of the parish. St. Joseph the husband of Mary and foster-father of Jesus. As a loving companion, he stood beside his betrothed, trusting God's plan for their life together, and together, they raised our Lord! Joseph was hard-working and a caring protector of the Holy Family. A true example of masculinity! All men are welcome to attend the 12:30pm Mass and join us in the basement after the Mass for a short retreat, confession and fellowship.



MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

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

Marriage



Preparation

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 905-915-8765. *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.

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"

PARISH ENVELOPES

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.



Lent



Weekday Morning Mass
(Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday)
Remains at 9:15 am.

Mass Every Weekday Evening
(Monday - Friday) at 7:00 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
will be held each Friday;
honouring the Lenten tradition
of meditating on our Lord's Passion,
the Stations of the Cross
will begin at 7:00 pm.
Upon their prayerful completion,
Mass will begin.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH
Saturday, March 11th - 18th at 6pm
Sunday, March 19th - 12:30 pm
Devotions & Mass

PARISH MISSION
Every Friday during Lent - February 24th,
March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st

CONFESSIONS
Monday, March 27th: 9:45am-12 & 5-7pm
Tuesday, March 28th: 5-7pm
Thursday, March 30th at 5-7pm

"On the threshold of Lent, it is necessary that this perspective be opened before us, so that we may believe deeply in the gospel with all the truth of our mortal existence. We are called to take part in the Resurrection of Christ. For this appeal to resound within us with all its force at the beginning of the Lenten season, let us realize what death means.

*'You are dust,'
'Repent!'
'Believe in the gospel'
(St. John Paul II)*

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