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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: Begins with 9:15 AM Mass and is followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the remainder of the day. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm. Adoration concludes at 7:00pm followed by Mass.

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, FEB 9 9:15 am	Denzil Harris †
TUES, FEB 10 7:00 pm	Rizalina B. Solomon †; Philip Elakkattu †; For the intentions of Kyle
WED, FEB 11 9:15 am	Robin Ray †; In thanksgiving for the 80th birthday of Jerome K; In thanksgiving - Johnny Family In thanksgiving for the birthday of Miles Go; In thanksgiving - Patricia Okorie †;
THUR, FEB 12 7:00 pm	Nada Naysum †; Rihard D'Souza †; For the intentions of Kyle
FRI, FEB 13 9:15 am	Antonio Daniele †
SAT, FEB 14 9:15 am	Pete Magboo †; In thanksgiving for the birthday - Cissy Mana Tom
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Augustine D'Souza †
SUN, FEB 15 9:00 am	P. C. John & Annamma John †; Connie Mello †
10:30 am	Antonio Sousa †; In thanksgiving - Lourdes Ong
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Sixto Viduya †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Parents and siblings of Alberto & Emili- ana Ferreira †; In thanksgiving for the 80th birthday of Jerome K
8:00 pm	In thanksgiving for blessings received - Wendy & Andy; In thanksgiving for the 80th birthday of Jerome K

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, February 9th

10:00 am - Stiches from the heart
6:30 pm - CWL Executive meeting
7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Exec meeting

Tuesday, February 10th

1:00 pm - 55 Plus club
5:30 pm - Legion of Mary - English
7:00 pm - RCIA

Wednesday, February 11th

7:00 pm - SGFM
7:30 pm - 9am Choir practice

Thursday, February 12th

7:30 pm - 10:30am Choir practice

Friday, February 13th

Saturday, February 14th

3:30 pm - Children's Choir practice

Sunday, February 15th

8:00 am - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese
6:30 pm - YAG

We have to believe and be sure that nothing is impossible in the eyes of God. If I had to, I would start all over again the same way, walking the same path of difficulties, because faith, which never abandons me, would give me strength to always go forward. My mission is to love, I don't have time to tear others down.

- St. Irmã Dulce Pontes, Brazilian Catholic Franciscan Sister (1914 – 1992)

While the Northern hemisphere pushes through the cold heart of winter, pre-Lenten Mardi Gras festivities and Copacabana beach scenes unfold basking in 30+ degree sunshine, sand, and skin. 1500 kms north of Rio de Janeiro, the lesser known Brazilian city of Salvador is similarly situated along the Atlantic coast. Among most Catholics, the even lesser known remarkable life of St. Irma Dulce is an inspiring story to be discovered.

When she was just 6 years old, her mother died. Under the guardianship of her aunt, her middle upper class education was also mixed with visits to Brazil's shanty town favelas. At 18, she decided to join the Franciscan missionary sisters and took on the name of her deceased mother. Sr. Irma Dulce became the Mother Teresa of Northern Brazil; in fact, they met in 1979. Sr. Irma cared for the disabled and discarded in an abandoned building. When attention was drawn to her charitable operation given the mounting interest of those in pitiful need, the absentee landlord stepped in to evict the squatters who took residence in the makeshift shelter. Sr. Irma Dulce eventually made do with the chicken coop attached to her convent to welcome in the city's poor and infirm and converted it into a viable hospital. She sustained her works of mercy through begging and advocacy. Moreover, her pastoral efforts also included education to her beloved guests and social organizing. Given Brazil's controversial and infamous history of flirting with Marxist principles of "liberation theology," Sr. Irma's work contributed greatly to the delicate balance of the Churches' preferential option for the poor without fomenting class conflict and violent public uprisings. That important discernment is still ongoing within the Church, especially given the severe 1917 warnings that Our Blessed Mother revealed about the danger of communism. As an encouraging sign for Brazil's future, this past November 2025, a 54 metre high statue of Our Lady of Fatima was inaugurated in the relatively proximate city of Crato, Brazil. Similarly, the Central American city of San Salvador, which also has known its battles with divisiveness of liberation theology, will soon have an impressive Gothic-style basilica dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima. Pastoral care that incorporates faithfully the Churches' full teaching of Catholic social doctrine is a goal that needs to be studied and implemented everywhere.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Jesus came among us as light to scatter the darkness of a fallen world. As His disciples, we too are called to be "the light of the world," He tells us in the Gospel this Sunday. Israel was given the mission of being a light to the nations, that God's salvation would reach to the ends of the earth. The liturgy shows us this week that the Church, and every Christian, is called to fulfill Israel's mission.

By our faith and good works we are to make the light of God's life break forth in the darkness, as we sing in this week's Psalm. This week's readings remind us that our faith can never be a private affair, something we can hide as if under a basket.

We are to pour ourselves out for the afflicted, as Isaiah tells us in the First Reading. Our light must shine as a ray of God's mercy for all who are poor, hungry, naked, and enslaved.

There must be a transparent quality to our lives. Our friends and family, our neighbors and fellow citizens, should see reflected in us the light of Christ and through us be attracted to the saving truths of the Gospel.

So let us pray that we, like St. Paul in the Epistle, might proclaim with our whole lives "Christ, and him crucified."

Fr. Roger



**2025 PARISH TAX RECEIPTS ARE BEING PROCESSED;
YOU WILL RECEIVE THEM IN THE MAIL ON OR BEFORE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH.**

2026 PARISH ENVELOPES

2026 boxes of Offertory Envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please ensure you pick up your **own** box and that your name & address is correct. If your box is not there or you 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!**

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SACRED HEART OF JESUS



The Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for prayers and devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Thursday February 19th after the 7pm Mass. The Sacred Heart Holy Hour includes readings from Sacred Scripture and reflections from Pope Francis on the Sacred Heart, as well as the Divine Mercy Chaplet, prayers to the Sacred Heart and time for silent prayer. Prayer cards and holy hour booklets will be available. The image will be available at the church for private prayer until February 25th.

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

The Spring Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set; the course will be held for 4 consecutive Saturday's May 23rd, 30th, June 6th, & 13th from 12:00pm - 6:00pm. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.



SMALL GROUP FAITH MINISTRY

"Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." (Matthew 18:20) If you would like to apply what you have learned from Scripture, teachings, and practical personal reflection questions, join the SGM meetings on Wednesdays and Saturdays. For more information, email Olivia Saqui at SGFM.smdy@gmail.com

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm and Sundays at 8am for the Vietnamese Legion. 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.

SERRA'S VOCATION SEEDS

"You are the light of the world." Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto** at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org or www.vocationstoronto.ca

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If you are grieving the loss of a loved one and require support, please contact the Bereavement Ministry by email at Bereavement.smdy@gmail.com

THE 55+ 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: sandyrob-in22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Stitches from the Heart group meet Mondays after the 10am Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. For further information contact Mary at 905-915-8765. Any donation of yarn would be greatly appreciated.



PARISH BOOK STORE

The Parish bookstore is open in January and February on the third weekend after all Masses. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a charitable Catholic organization, active throughout Canada. The work of the society is to assist those in need who live within our parish boundary. If you are in need of assistance please contact the St. Marguerite d'Youville Conference directly at 647-642-4906 or email: vincentdepaulsmdy@gmail.com



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering at the parish, please email Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org with the following information:

**Volunteers
Needed!**



1. Your first and last name, phone number and email address.
2. Are you an Adult (18+) or Minor (under 18)
3. Which ministry you are interested in.



Next night:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH FROM 7-8:30PM

Meet new friends, get connected, and discover what's ahead in our bi-weekly Friday sessions.

Registration forms are available in the Narthex and Parish office for Grades 6-8.

For more information email dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com


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