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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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



MON, MAR 9 9:15 am	For the health and intentions of Ozzy & Hazel Colaco
7:00 pm	For the intentions of Kyle
TUES, MAR 10 7:00 pm	For the health of Irma Escobedo
WED, MAR 11 9:15 am	Paula Crisostomo †; For the health of Roopnarine Lildhari
7:00 pm	
THUR, MAR 12 7:00 pm	Nada Naysun †; Vincent Alarcon †; Agustine Peter †
FRI, MAR 13 9:15 am	
7:00 PM	Vito Oliveri †; Angelo Rosario †; Rita Sangalang †; Cristina, Artemio, Enrico Garde †
SAT, MAR 14 9:15 am	Tomaso Pozzuoli †
5:00 pm	Alphnosa Cameons †; Vincent Alarcon †; Cecilia D'Souza †; Josephine George †; Alice Roman †; Sornam Anthonipillai †
SUN, MAR 15 9:00 am	Connie Mello †; Shamim Zaman †
10:30 am	Vincenzo Racco †; Zacharias Mercado †; Silvina & Damian Bautista †
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Donald Martin †; Sixto Viduya †; Alberto & Emiliana Ferreira and all deceased family members †; In thanksgiving for the 5th birthday of Talia Tarek
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, March 9th
10:00 am - Stiches from the heart
7:00 pm - CWL General meeting

Tuesday, March 10th
1:00 pm - 55 Plus club
5:30 pm - Legion of Mary - English
7:00 pm - RCIA

Wednesday, March 11th
9:00 am - SMDY High-school retreat
7:00 pm - Confirmation Class
7:30 pm - 9am Choir practice

Thursday, March 12th
9:00 am - SMDY High-school retreat
7:30 pm - 10:30am Choir practice

Friday, March 13th

Saturday, March 14th
10:00 am - Confirmation Class
3:30 pm - Children's Choir practice
10:00 am - YAM Retreat

Sunday, March 15th
8:00 am - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese

The law governing loans consists necessarily in the equality of what is given and returned; once the equality has been established, whoever demands more than that violates the terms of the loan. Therefore if one receives interest, he must make restitution according to the commutative bond of justice; its function in human contracts is to assure equality for each one. This law is to be observed in a holy manner. If not observed exactly, reparation must be made.

*Pope Benedict XIV(1675-1758),
from the encyclical, On Usury and Other Dishonest Profit*

To acknowledge how perennial a challenge the problem of falling into a financial pit, the cited quote, written in the year 1745, indicates the highly sensitive balance between creditor and debtor. The sin of usury inculcates the excessive profit gained by compounded interest. In the complexity of the matter, the Church recognizes the need to safely preserve the rights of both the lender and the borrower. A sure way to spark resentment and rage is for someone to default, cheat, or renege on the promise to pay back what was owed. By contrast, the cause of so much human misery is on account of borrowing money and being subsequently crushed by exorbitant interest rates that make restitution impossible. Jesus addresses the ranging nuances of such financial matters, "give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you, (Matt 5.42) Obviously, Our Lord advises generosity to assist those in need. And yet, he equally cautions against reckless risk, and that, at times, lending can be foolish "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out. The wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us,'" (Matt 25. 8-9). Moreover, Jesus even mentions the realistic benefits of our current economic system, "you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest." (Matt 25.28). All instructions lead to the need for Christian honesty and charity that ought to pre-empt the vulnerability of a lender and borrower contract. That so many individuals and nations all seem imprisoned in a debt spiral, Lent is an opportune time to consider basic foundational principles of how we best regulate our finances in a manner consistent with justice and sustainability and repent of any practice of greed, corruption and deceitful illusions. God help us!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Jesus is thirsty, in today's Gospel. He thirsts for souls. He longs to give the Samaritan woman the living waters that well up to eternal life.



These waters couldn't be drawn from the well of Jacob, father of the Israelites and the Samaritans. But Jesus was something greater than Jacob.

The Samaritans were Israelites who escaped exile when Assyria conquered the Northern Kingdom eight centuries before Christ. They were despised for intermarrying with non-Israelites and worshipping at Mount Gerazim, not Jerusalem.

But Jesus tells the woman that the "hour" of true worship is coming, when all will worship God in Spirit and truth.

Jesus' "hour" is the "appointed time" that Paul speaks of in today's Epistle. It is the hour when the Rock of our salvation was struck on the Cross. Struck by the soldier's lance, living waters flowed out from our Rock.

These waters are the Holy Spirit, the gift of God.

By the living waters the ancient enmities of Samaritans and Jews have been washed away, the dividing wall between Israel and the nations is broken down. Since His hour, all may drink of the Spirit in Baptism.

In the Eucharist, the Lord now is in our midst—as He was at the Rock of Horeb and at the well of Jacob.

In the "today" of our Liturgy, He calls us to believe: "I am He," come to pour out the love of God into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. How can we continue to worship as if we don't understand? How can our hearts remain hardened?

Fr. Roger

BEREAVEMENT RAFFLE

Bereavement Ministry thanks all parishioners for their generous participation in the raffle. Winning tickets were drawn by Fr. Roger after the 8 pm Mass on Sunday. The winners are:

Mothers day gift basket: Ticket 323873 - Yohanna Prajogo

Easter Host/Hostess: Ticket 323626 - Sue Barnes

Yummies basket: Ticket 323695 - Dell Booth

Candy Jar: Melba Alphonso - with the closest guess of 236.



VISITORS' ENVELOPES



We have seen a significant increase in the use of Visitors' Envelopes and would like to remind everyone to please write your information **clearly** on the envelope. If we are unable to read the name and address, the donation cannot be properly recorded, and you will not receive recognition for the contribution.

The same applies to donations made using the Blue Building Fund – HVAC envelopes. If your name is not written clearly on the envelope, a tax receipt cannot be issued. If you have an envelope number, we encourage you to include it as well. Thank you for your cooperation and for your continued generosity and financial support of our Parish community.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month from September - June at 7pm. For further information please contact league by email at cwl.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: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

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

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Parish bookstore is open in March on the 15th & 29th after all Masses. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org

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.

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!**

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

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LENT & HOLY WEEK



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, Join us for 7:00 pm Mass followed by the Stations of the Cross.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH Devotions & Mass Wednesday, March 11th - 18th at all Masses
Feast day: Thursday, March 19th

WEEKEND LENTEN MISSION - March 21 & 22
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:30 pm; 8:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, March 24th: 5-7pm
Wednesday, March 25th: 9:45am-12 & 5-7pm
Friday, March 27th: 5-7pm

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:30 pm; 8:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8:00 pm
Procession of Blessed Sacrament to Altar of Repose with Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD

10:00 am - Passion of our Lord
12:00 noon - Passion of our Lord
3:00 pm - Passion of our Lord
5:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena
7:00 pm - The Way of the Cross – Taizé

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH

4:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena
8:00 pm - Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:30 pm; 8:00 pm
6:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer/Novena



Next night:

FRIDAY, MARCH 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



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