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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.

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY



MON, APR 13 9:15 am	Cristina Cabusao David †
TUES, APR 14 7:00 pm	In thanksgiving for the anniversary of Wilson & Sicily Padavan; For the intentions of Linda
WED, APR 15 9:15 am	Jerry Compierchio †; Frank Deleo †; Richard & Florence Felix †; Anna Maria Tropea †
THUR, APR 16 7:00 pm	For the intentions of John Thomas; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Shenal Jesudhason; For the 42 generations of Catherine & Kurian family
FRI, APR 17 9:15 am	In thanksgiving for the birthday of Chloe Go
SAT, APR 18 9:15 am	Juanito Olindan †; Conrado & Cynthia Noriega Banaag †; For the 42 generations of Catherine & Kurian family
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Vincent Alarcon † Irene DaCosta †; Shaun Miranda †; Sybil & Patrick Miranda †
SUN, APR 19 9:00 am	Connie Mello †
10:30 am	Venancio Perez †
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Alberto & Emilianna Ferreira & deceased family †; For the health of Lillian Osuagwu; In thanksgiving - Alisha
8:00 pm	Felicitas Gonzaga †

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, April 13th

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

Tuesday, April 14th

1:00 pm - 55 Plus club
4:00 pm - Legion of Mary
7:00 pm - RCIA
7:00 pm - TMIY

Wednesday, April 15th

7:00 pm - Confirmation Class
7:30 pm - 9am Choir practice

Thursday, April 16th

7:30 pm - Bereavement

Friday, April 17th

Saturday, April 18th

10:00 am - Confirmation Class

Sunday, April 19th

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves.: Then the people as a whole answered, "his blood be on us and on our children!"
Matt 27.24-25, "The Blood Curse"

Inevitably at some point in the Lenten season, in the lead up to Holy Week, an annual caution is proclaimed, "Warning! Reading the Passion Narratives can cause antisemitism" as if one were confronted with the advisory label on a cigarette package. Of course, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that there can never be a collective guilt on the whole of the Jewish people for the death of Jesus Christ, not then, not now, not ever. As the gospels attest, some Jews clearly embraced the truth of Jesus Christ and accepted his fulfillment of the Messianic promises. On the other hand, there were those Jews who not only conspired with the Romans to kill him but continued their persecution of the early Christians as we shall hear in the Acts of the Apostles throughout the Easter Season. The cited gospel verse continues to trigger such consternation that it was the only line that Mel Gibson was forced to omit in his portrayal of the Passion of the Christ. Similarly, among various groups who seek to censor and shame the Church, the very same tactic is deployed again and again. It is no secret that forces hostile to the Church have sought to get Catholics to internalize a guilt and blame for the fact that the Gospels are so unambiguous in their historical documenting that Jews who rejected Jesus Christ called out for his violent death. Consequently, Catholics ought to be vigilantly aware of the strategy to have them disavow this gospel account so as to weaken their faith and cause disagreement and division among its members. A brave and devout understanding and clinging to the defining mystery of our salvation is required. The Church has the divine mandate to call all people to conversion and faith in the Risen Lord. Any lingering curse or condemnation is not on account of any superstitious or fanatical spell long ago uttered, but rather from the denial of embracing the saving truth of what has been revealed. On a Divine Mercy Sunday, the "blood curse" has been redeemed. Christians place themselves under the Blood and Water "the gushing fountain, an unfathomable ocean" flowing from the pierced heart of Jesus.

O Blood and Water which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus, we trust in You.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We continue to celebrate the risen Lord in this wonderful Easter season. Two chapters in the Gospel of John feature prominently at this time, chapters 19 and 20. They give an account of one of the post resurrection appearances of Jesus.

They give us guidance in living out our Christian lives as men and women of the resurrection. They tell us exactly how the risen Lord Jesus Christ interacts with us. And it's all very straightforward.

In chapter 19 Jesus appears to disciples behind closed doors in their fear and offers them the gift of peace. The situation represents our own existential circumstances. We lock ourselves away because we are afraid. And then Jesus comes to us and appears in our midst up close and personal. He attends to our fears. He addresses our running away, our hiding from life, from the situations that seem to overwhelm us.

And he offers us peace, that peace that is beyond understanding.

May we all be blessed with peace in this Easter season.



Fr. Roger

SHARELIFE CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

2026 marks the 50th anniversary of ShareLife, let us come together in celebration and compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal. By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:



Uplift young mothers and their babies; enable more men to pursue priestly vocations; connect seniors with dignity-affirming resources fight against hunger in our communities; help families in times of need.

The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is April 26. Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

RELIC OF BLESSED FATHER MICHAEL MCGIVNEY



The St. Marguerite D'Youville Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting the Relic of Blessed Father Michael McGivney on Saturday, April 18th and Sunday, April 19th, 2026. Join us for a special healing Mass on Saturday, April 18th at 5:00 PM. All are welcome. *Prayer: Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, inspire us with your faith, charity, and dedication to serving others. Intercede for our families and our parish, that we may grow in holiness and unity. Through your example, lead us closer to Christ. Amen.*

ALPHA~RECONNECT~REDISCOVER~RENEW YOUR FAITH

Have questions about life, faith & God, but do not know where to find the answers? Try Alpha! Alpha is a series of Interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian Faith. The course is over 10 evenings - Includes light dinner, A short talk and an open discussion with small groups. There's no pressure, no follow up and no charge. 2026 registration will be in the narthex - Introductory Session starts April 23 @ 6:30pm in the church hall.



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

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.



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.

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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

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 will be open on April 11-12 & 25-26 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:

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, APRIL 24TH 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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