

# St. Marguerite D'Youville Parish

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## PASTORAL STAFF

**Rev. Roger Pascall**  
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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 EASTER



<b>MON, APR 20</b> 9:15 am	Daniel, Andrew & Tony Grima †
<b>TUES, APR 21</b> 7:00 pm	Daphne Sandoval †; Michael Nguyen
<b>WED, APR 22</b> 9:15 am	Frank DeLeo †
<b>THUR, APR 23</b> 7:00 pm	Joe & Manuel Pallai †
<b>FRI, APR 24</b> 9:15 am	Honorato Bettencourt †; Domenic Maida †
<b>SAT, APR 25</b> 9:15 am	Vincent Alarcon †; Stella Glyn-Williams Sr. & Jr. †
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Felicitas Gonzaga †; Vittorio DePaolo †; Amado Dematos †; Terry Andrade †; Deceased members of the Dematos & Pontes family †;
<b>SUN, APR 26</b> 9:00 am	For the intentions of Roshini & John Shinoj
10:30 am	Alphonsa Camoens †
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Mary Kearney †; Thambi Rajan †; Don Rejino †
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

### THIS WEEK AT SMDY

#### **Monday, April 20th**

10:00 am - Stiches from the heart  
7:00 pm - CWL General meeting

#### **Tuesday, April 21st**

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

#### **Wednesday, April 22nd**

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

#### **Thursday, April 23rd**

6:30 pm - Alpha

#### **Friday, April 24th**

7:00 pm - EDGE

#### **Saturday, April 25th**

#### **Sunday, April 26th**

*To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding.  
Proverbs 1.2, written on the strand of a human hair as found in the Holy  
Saviour Cathedral in Isfahan, Iran*

In contemplating the wonder of the Paschal mystery, the Risen Lord provides would be disciples with an eye-opening lesson; along the road to Emmaus, Jesus reveals all that Moses, the prophets and the scriptures had to say regarding the necessary sufferings the Messiah was to go through so as to enter into his glory. (Lk 25-27). Accordingly, with bible study in mind, a brief background regarding the cited verse from Proverbs and its connection to Iran is in order. To honour the glorious contribution of St. Mesrop Mashtots (an 5<sup>th</sup> century Armenian monk), an artist from Tehran, in 1974, wrote the verse using a diamond tipped pen 20 times thinner than the width of a young woman's strand of hair. This incredible work of precision was to extol the achievement of this otherwise unknown theologian (St. Mesrop Mashtots) who composed the Armenian alphabet so as to provide that region with a translation of the Bible. The verse was the very first sentence ever inscribed in the newly formed alphabet. As for the Cathedral itself, while unassuming from its outside appearance, the interior unveils a vibrant and spectacular masterpiece of detailed frescoes that would rival the best of any European basilica. Construction on the Isfahan Armenian cathedral started in the early 17<sup>th</sup> century and is located 500 kms south of Tehran. Online videos and photos capture some of its grandeur and yet obviously fall short of its full radiant magnificence. During this Easter Season, we pray and intercede for the victims of the new Gulf war; additionally, we pray that all those responsible for perpetuating violent conflict may be brought to divine wisdom and instruction, perception of understanding. Moreover, we beg our Lord that we may know a justly ordered world, on earth as it is in heaven, so that pilgrimages to such sacred hidden marvels may be made possible.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We should put ourselves in the shoes of the disciples in today's Gospel. Downcast and confused, they're making their way down the road, unable to understand all the things that have occurred.



They know what they've seen—a prophet mighty in word and deed. They know what they were hoping for—that He would be the redeemer of Israel. But they don't know what to make of His violent death at the hands of their rulers.

They can't even recognize Jesus as He draws near to walk with them. He seems like just another foreigner visiting Jerusalem for the Passover.

Note that Jesus doesn't disclose His identity until they they describe how they found His tomb empty but "Him they did not see." That's how it is with us, too. Unless He revealed Himself, we would see only an empty tomb and a meaningless death.

How does Jesus make Himself known at Emmaus? First, He interprets "all the Scriptures" as referring to Him. In today's First Reading and Epistle, Peter also opens the Scriptures to proclaim the meaning of Christ's death according to the Father's "set plan"—foreknown before the foundation of the world.

In every Eucharist, we reenact that Easter Sunday at Emmaus. Jesus reveals Himself to us in our journey. He speaks to our hearts in the Scriptures. Then at the table of the altar, in the person of the priest, He breaks the bread.

The disciples begged Him, "Stay with us." So He does. Though He has vanished from our sight, in the Eucharist—as at Emmaus—we know Him in the breaking of the bread.

*Fr. Roger*

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2026

### SHARELIFE CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

2026 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:cwl.smdy@gmail.com)

Upcoming event: Bake Sale on Saturday May 2nd & Sunday May 3rd. Sale will include baskets for Mother's Day



### MARCH FOR LIFE

The National March for Life is organized by Campaign Life Coalition and will take place on Thursday, May 14th. Pro-lifers rally in front of our Parliament building and march through downtown Ottawa, demanding that our elected representatives fight for the right to life of every human being. The cost is \$10 per person. The bus will leave the St. Marguerite d'Youville parking lot at 6:00am and return by 7:30pm. For more information email: [kofc15612@gmail.com](mailto:kofc15612@gmail.com)



### DINNER AND DANCE

Join us for Charity & Social event on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00pm in the Parish hall. Tickets are \$35 per person (buffet dinner & cash bar) Tickets will be available after all masses this weekend. Proceeds go towards a church in Nigeria.



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### THANK YOU!

We would like to take this opportunity to send our thanks and appreciation to **ALL** for their participation in the Easter Liturgy Celebrations. Thank you to all our Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choirs, Lectors, Collection Counters, Decorators, and all who assisted in any way during this Easter season.



### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 25-26 after all Masses. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Linda at [LYeh@archtoronto.org](mailto: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](mailto:vincentdepaulsmdy@gmail.com)



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.

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