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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.

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, SEPT 21 9:15 am	For the health & intentions of Andrew Joseph
TUES, SEPT 22 7:00 pm	For the health & intentions of Andrew Joseph
WED, SEPT 23 9:15 am	Honorato Bettencourt †; Patricia Okorie †; In thanksgiving - Okorie family; In thanksgiving - Johny family
THUR, SEPT 24 7:00 pm	For the health & intentions Zelia Maria
FRI, SEPT 25 9:15 am	Elizabeth Dominic †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Andrew Joseph
SAT, SEPT 26 9:15 am	For the intentions of Eddie & family
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Vincent Alarcon †; Edward Gonsalves †; Amado Dematos †; Terry Andrade †; Deceased members of the Dematos & Pontes family
SUN, SEPT 27 9:00 am	Rev. Fr. Alphonsus Rego †
10:30 am	Dominic D'Mello †; Jamar Allison †; In thanksgiving and for the needs of the Rebelo family
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Paciencia, Juan & Ludano Biding and all deceased family members †; All Souls in Purgatory †
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, September 21st

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

Tuesday, September 22nd

1:00 pm - 55 Plus club
4:30 pm - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese
6:00 pm - Legion of Mary - English
7:00 pm - TMIY

Wednesday, September 23rd

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

Thursday, September 24th

7:00 pm - SHE
7:30 pm - 1030am Choir practice

Friday, September 25th

Saturday, September 26th

Mr. President and dear Cape Verdeans, in some cultures, 'green' is the colour of hope; and it is the name of your land. Therefore it is with great hope that I say to you "Farewell", giving full meaning to the expression: to God, the Father of mercy, I entrust you, for "Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain" (Ps 127:1). Society cannot be built without God: he is the guarantee of a society on a human scale; and to be religious is human fullness.

It is with this perspective of hope that I renew to the dear Cape Verdean people and their leaders my best wishes for progress and prosperity in peace, obtained through cooperation and with the equal participation of all, with international solidarity, for an ever happier future under the blessing of Almighty God.

- St. John Paul II, Farewell address to his 1990 Cape Verde visit

As we reach the conclusion of the summer calendar season, one of the charming highlights of the past months was the World Cup performance of the previously unfamiliar country of Cape Verde. Apparently, since their resilient and highly competitive showing on the football pitch, the attention that the players raised to their picturesque archipelago of a homeland has led to a dramatic surge in tourist interest for those looking for a change from otherwise more widely known tropical destinations. Located 500 km off the African coast, Catholicism and African culture has blended harmoniously thanks to the missionary efforts of the Portuguese dating back a half millennium. Most notable of all the inspiring backstories to the football players was the 40 year old goaltender, Josimar "Vozinha" Dias. As retold around the globe, Josimar loved playing as a child and he was compelled to join a group of boys where he was the youngest and smallest. Due to the teasing he received, he would turn to the consolation of his grandparents. His father was engaged in military service and his mother worked long hours as a housekeeper. Given that an "avo" is the word for grandmother in Portuguese, the affectionate nickname became the future national heroes' trademark. That he held the eventual World Cup Winners, Spain, to a scoreless draw cemented his legend in the memories of his fellow citizens. The deacon who serves as the chaplain for youth ministry for the main diocese in Cape Verde, in a widely broadcast interview, noted that it was the Catholic formation Josimar received from his grandparents that helped mold him into the determined leader of the national team. One can not help but imagine that Pope John Paul II's long ago visit contributed to dreaming such potential for a country's remarkable play upon the world stage.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

We have before us this weekend the parable of the vineyard. It is actually an account of salvation history. The landowner is God. The vineyard is the kingdom. The workers hired at dawn are the Israelites, to whom He first offered His covenant. Those hired later in the day are the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, who, until the coming of Christ, were strangers to the covenants of promise (see **Ephesians 2:11-13**). In the Lord's great generosity, the same wages, the same blessings promised to the first-called, the Israelites, will be paid to those called last, the rest of the nations.

Like the Gentiles, many will be allowed to enter the kingdom late—after having spent most of their days idling in sin. But even these can call upon Him and find Him near, as we sing in today's Psalm. We should rejoice that God has compassion on all whom He has created. This should console us, too, especially if we have loved ones who remain far from the vineyard.

Our task is to continue laboring in His vineyard. As Paul says in today's Epistle, let us conduct ourselves worthily, struggling to bring all men and women to the praise of His name.

Fr. Roger





SHARELIFE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

ShareLife's 50th anniversary celebration continues! Join us on Saturday, October 3, at St. Augustine's Seminary. Doors will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tour the beautiful and historic seminary, meet representatives from ShareLife-funded agencies and see how your kindness helps our brothers and sisters in need. This event is free! To help us prepare for your visit, please register by Friday, September 25. Registration link can be found in sharelife.org/50. For any inquiries, please contact us at SLEvent@archtoronto.org.

CONFIRMATION

Young people in grade seven or above who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation; must attend **ONE** of the following:

Parent Information and Registration evenings

- **Monday, September 28th at 6:00 pm**

(Good Shepherd, & Blessed Michael McGivney, Fr. Clair Tipping)

- **Wednesday, September 30th at 6:00 pm**

(Our Lady of Providence, St. Isaac Jogues & St. John Bosco)

Children who attend Private/Public school may attend either information night.

*****Items due at time of registration are*****

1. Completed Registration Form; 2. copy of Baptismal Certificate & 3. \$50 Fee
Forms have been distributed to our parish schools or can be pick up at the parish office or download is available on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Sacraments contact Maura at email: mhernandez@archtoronto.org or call the parish office at 905-792-7497.

Registration forms WILL NOT be accepted before the registration nights!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Interested in becoming Catholic and learning about the faith. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (or RCIA) is the program that allows you to be part of this amazing journey. Those interested are asked to call the office to register. Classes begin on Tuesday, October 14 at 7pm.

We are also looking for RCIA sponsors in the parish, practicing Catholics to help journey with our candidates, those that are past or the journey of becoming Catholic. If you're interested in journeying with one of our candidates, please let the office know and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy Ministry is presently looking for catechists for our Sunday 9:00 am – 10:30 am and 12:30 pm Masses. Training, support and a copy of the Gospel reading appropriate for the children's age for your particular scheduled Sunday class is provided. You will be required to present and explain the Sunday Gospel reading, engage the Children in meaningful discussion at their level of comprehension, prepare and assist the children in making a craft related to the Gospel reading. *Please note that this ministry requires a Volunteer Screening to be completed.* If you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry, please see the notice below and follow the instructions to be a volunteer.



MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

The Fall Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set. The Course will be held for four consecutive Saturday's October 24th, 31st, Nov 7th & 14th from 12:00pm - 5pm. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.

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.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Join us on the 3rd Monday of the month for our General meeting from September - June at 7pm.

The CWL will be having a Samosa Sale weekend Saturday September 26 & Sunday September 27.

For further information please contact league by email at cwl.smdy@gmail.com

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Bookstore will be open on: September 19/20. We will resume our regular 1st and 3rd weekend schedule in October. If you are interested in helping in the Bookstore, please email LYeh@archtoronto.org.

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 1:00pm - 4:00pm. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Stitches from the heart group will resume on Monday September 14th, 2026. 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.

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: vincentdepauls-mdy@gmail.com



EDGE

The Youth Ministry at St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish is excited to invite **both adults and youth** to join our Leadership Team! This is a wonderful opportunity to share your gifts, ideas, energy, and enthusiasm while helping to organize and coordinate exciting activities and events for the young people of our parish. If you are passionate about making a difference and helping build a vibrant and faith-filled youth community, we would love to have you on the team! To get involved, simply sign up at the Parish Office or contact our Youth Minister, **Alvin Rodricks**, at dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com. Come be part of something meaningful, fun, and inspiring as we grow together and empower the next generation of our parish community!

NEXT NIGHT:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH 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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