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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.

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, OCT 5 9:15 am	Theuma family †; 4th death anniversary of Juanito & John Elmer Go †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Mario Cardoso
TUES, OCT 6 7:00 pm	In thanksgiving & for the intentions of Zelia Maria
WED, OCT 7 9:15 am	Amard Dagraca †; Anthony Fernandes †
7:00 pm	
THUR, OCT 8 7:00 pm	
FRI, OCT 9 9:15 am	Antony Pillai Rogation †; In thanksgiving for the 85th birthday of Rita Nayson
7:00 pm	
SAT, OCT 10 9:15 am	For the health & intentions of Ozzy & Hazel Colaco
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Amard Dagraca † Vincent Alarcon †; For the deceased members of the Ramsok family †; Carlos M. Fernandes †
SUN, OCT 11 9:00 am	Michelle & Lauren Bouchard †; Brian McGinnis †; Connie Melo †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Janica Ferrer & Juhan Gan
10:30 am	For the People of the Parish
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Donald Martins †; Larry Gardiner †; Sixto Viduya †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †;
8:00 pm	

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, October 5th

10:00 am - Stitches from the heart

7:00 pm - CWL Executive meeting

Tuesday, October 6th

1:00 pm - 55 Plus club

4:30 pm - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese

6:00 pm - Legion of Mary - English

6:00 pm - CWL Living Rosary

7:00 pm - TMIY

Wednesday, October 7th

7:00 pm - SGFM

7:30 pm - 9am Choir Practice

Thursday, October 8th

7:00 pm - SHE

7:30 pm - 1030am Choir practice

Friday, October 9th

7:00 pm - EDGE

Saturday, October 10th

Sunday, October 11th

The Sultan asked them who and why and in what capacity they had been sent, and how they got there; but Francis replied that they had been sent by God, not by men, to show him and his subjects the way of salvation and proclaim the truth of the Gospel message.

- St. Bonaventure's "From the Major Legends of St. Francis"

This year marks the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis. A special indulgence was decreed for pilgrimage to major Franciscan Shrines to help further foster devotion to the "poverello of Assisi" and encourage further study and appreciation of the many great and inspiring stories offered by the witness of his life. One of those edifying examples was his visit to the Sultan of Egypt in the year 1219. The zeal of the Crusaders, in their effort to open up safe passage to the Holy Land, had become marred by the mixed motives of the combatants who stained their efforts to promote the rights of the Church with fantasies of luxurious plunder and exotic inebriation. Saddened by the mounting casualties on both sides, St. Francis tried to intervene in the conflict by crossing enemy lines to be captured by Muslim forces. He absorbed all their rough manhandling to plead in earnest to meet with the Sultan al-Malik al-Kamil. The Sultan was fascinated by Francis' sincerity, meekness, and boldness. With no weapons or wealth to boost his fervent preaching, both men ended their encounter in mutual respect and joint dread of where the course of war would lead. The Sultan concluded their meeting with the noble sentiment of bidding Francis to "remember me in your prayers and may God, by your intercession, reveal to me which belief is more pleasing to Him."

St. Francis was well steeped in the art of evangelization. He knew that he shared a right sense of natural law and justice with his Islamic counterpart. St. Francis knew that coercion and threat would bear no fruit in winning over a soul to Christ. Moreover, St. Francis also displayed an urgency to give witness to the redemptive merit of Jesus's death and resurrection, unlike the all too common universal sense of salvation often expressed by those in the Church today. At a time when there are so many forces pitting Christians against Islamists, St. Francis' enduring example is worthy of attention.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In today's Gospel Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God.

And the symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood.

God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine, Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially spaded and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading.

Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls.

We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briars of worldly anxiety. As today's Epistle advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near.

Fr. Roger





ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE NOVENA

In anticipation of our Feast Day on October 16th, we will begin a Novena in honour of St. Marguerite d'Youville on Wednesday, October 7th. There will be Mass daily at 7:00 pm throughout the Novena, and the Novena prayers will be recited at all Masses leading up to the Feast Day. (Morning Mass will continue a usual on Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 9:15am) We invite everyone to join us in prayer as we prepare to celebrate the feast of our parish patroness, St. Marguerite d'Youville.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION

Young people in grade two or above who wish to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation/Communion; must attend the registration evening:

Monday, October 5th at 6:00pm

(Fr. Clair Tipping, St. Isaac Jogues, Blessed Michael McGivney)

Wednesday, October 7th at 6:00pm

(Good Shepherd, Our Lady of Providence, 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. \$40 Fee
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!



CONFIRMATION

The information & registration nights took place last week, registration forms will be accepted at the office up until Friday, October 9th. We will not accept any more registrations after that date.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish has been assigned to pray at the Vigil site on Sunday, October 25th; park at St. Catherine of Sienna Church where signs affirming the Sanctity of life will be available. You are asked to walk or stand with the sign on the north side of Queensway at Confederation Pkwy, for one hour. There will be a signup sheet in the Narthex. Please come to pray and witness for the unborn who have no voice.

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.

ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE HIGH-SCHOOL - STEM PROGRAM



Grade 8 Open house and regional STEM night will be held on October 22 2026 at St. Marguerite d'Youville high school (10815 Dixie Rd, Brampton, ON).

Doors Open at 5:30pm;

School Tours – 5:30pm to 6:30pm;

Main Presentation – 6:30pm; Regional STEM Presentation – 7pm

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.

**Volunteers
Needed!**



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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

Catholic Womens League will be doing the Living Rosary at 6:15 pm on Tuesday October 6 in the chapel.

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

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.

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Bookstore will be open on: October 3/4 & 17/18. 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: vincentdepaulsmdy@gmail.com



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.

NEXT EDGE NIGHT:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH FROM 7-8:30PM

For more information email dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com



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