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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.

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, OCT 19 9:15 am	Daniel & Andrew Grima †
TUES, OCT 20 7:00 pm	
WED, OCT 21 9:15 am	For the health & intentions of Ozzy & Hazel Colaco
THUR, OCT 22 7:00 pm	Keith Desales †
FRI, OCT 23 9:15 am	For the health & intentions of Zelia Maria and family
SAT, OCT 24 9:15 am	Honorato Bettencourt †; Marian Boodan †; In thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of Agnes & Terrance D'Sa
5:00 pm	Amado Dematos †; Terry Andrade †; Deceased members of the Dematos & Pontes family †; Alphonsa Camoens †; Vincent Alarcon †
SUN, OCT 25 9:00 am	Mike Orifa †; Nellie John †
10:30 am	For the People of the Parish
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Sixto Viduya †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Ida Lento †
8:00 pm	

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, October 19th

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

Tuesday, October 20th

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

Wednesday, October 21st

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

Thursday, October 22nd

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

Friday, October 23rd

7:00 pm - EDGE

Saturday, October 24th

10:00 am - Confirmation Class
12:00 pm - Marriage Prep Class

The particular vocation of individual artists decides the arena in which they serve and points as well to the tasks they must assume, the hard work they must endure and the responsibility they must accept. Artists who are conscious of all this know too that they must labour without allowing themselves to be driven by the search for empty glory or the craving for cheap popularity, and still less by the calculation of some possible profit for themselves. There is therefore an ethic, even a "spirituality" of artistic service, which contributes in its way to the life and renewal of a people.

St. John Paul II, excerpt from his Letter to Artists, 1999

It was during this time period in 1978 that Pope John Paul II was elected Supreme Pontiff. Though he died in April of 2005, the Church selects October 22, the day of his inaugural Mass at St. Peter's Square to mark his memorial. With the passage of time, JP II's initial invitation to "open wide the doors to Christ" can now be seen in light of those who cooperated with his Papal mission and those who resisted – with interference surfacing both from the world and within the Church. In Washington D.C., the United States Bishops Conference, together with the Knights of Columbus, built a massive shrine to honour the Polish Pope's legacy. Located in the same neighborhood as the immense National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the Catholic University of America, the JP II shrine was intended to be a place of pilgrimage, retreats, and faith formation for decades to come. However, for those familiar, the artist responsible for the mosaic work meant to adorn the shrine has fallen into considerable trouble and disrepute. His work is also featured prominently on the facade of the basilica of Lourdes, in the crypt leading to St. Padre Pio's tomb in San Giovanni Rotondo, and in many Vatican publications including the logo for Year of Mercy. Consequently, his rather pricey work has been ordered to be literally draped over at the Washington Shrine and at Lourdes, especially for Pope Leo XIV's recent visit to the grotto of Massabielle. The Church, as a whole, suffers from the sins of her members. While the mystery is as old as the gospel itself, the Church is having to decide what to do with the difficult to hide stain of scandal. Church art is meant to unveil the mystery of beauty, truth and goodness that finds its source in God. The notable features of his work are his characters who cast a vague, glossy, wide-eyed gaze with an asymmetrical, disproportionate balance that now haunts the viewer. Ultimately, St. John Paul II witnessed eloquently to the grandeur of Christ the Redeemer. It is the messy and critical challenge for us all of whether to be not afraid and open wide to Christ or to cover up and conceal.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and unto God what is God's". Timely advice for us in today's world. To give God his due and to respect the laws of the land, if they reflect our Christian perspective. God often uses civil authority to discipline us. The Roman occupation of Jerusalem was a punishment for Israel's sins and the Lord raised up Cyrus to rebuild Jerusalem and to restore Israel from exile.

But the Lord alone is our king. His kingdom is not of this world and it begins here in His Church, which tells of His glory among all peoples. Citizens of heaven, we are called to be a light to the world working in faith, laboring in love, and enduring in hope, as today's Epistle counsels.

We owe the government a concern for the common good and obedience to laws—unless they conflict with God's commandments as interpreted by the Church.

But we owe God everything. The coin bears Caesar's image. But we bear God's own image. We owe Him our very lives—all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, offered as a living sacrifice of love.

We should pray for our leaders, that like Cyrus they do God's will until from the rising of the sun to its setting all humanity knows that Jesus is Lord.



Fr. Roger



HEADCOUNT

PARISH HEAD COUNT SUNDAY

The weekends of October 17/18 and October 24/25 the Archdiocese is requesting our cooperation to conduct an attendance count at all weekend Masses. The purpose of the count is to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The count is to be conducted during the homily with the hope of providing minimal distraction. Thank you.

SACRAMENT REGISTRATIONS

Registration for the 2026-2027 First Communion & Confirmation programs are now closed. We will not be accepting any more registrations.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

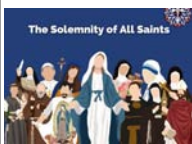
St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish has been assigned to pray at the Vigil site on Sunday, October 25th; park at St. Catherine of Sienna Church where signs affirming the Sanctity of life will be available. You are asked to walk or stand with the sign on the north side of Queensway at Confederation Pkwy,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



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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.

ALL SAINTS' DAY – CELEBRATE YOUR FAVOURITE SAINT!



On Sunday, November 1st, in celebration of the Solemnity of All Saints, we invite all parishioners, adults and children alike, to participate in a special celebration of our beloved Saints! As a family, take some time to research your favourite Saint and discover their inspiring story, faith, and contributions to the Church. We encourage you to participate by dressing up as your favourite Saint or creating a banner or name plaque highlighting something special about that Saint. At the end of Mass, we will have a procession featuring everyone dressed as their favourite Saint, celebrating the holy men and women who inspire us to live our faith each day. Let's make this a joyful celebration for the whole parish as we honour the Saints and learn from their example of holiness!

ALL SOULS' DAY

On Monday, November 2nd, we will gather as a parish community to commemorate the faithful departed with a special Mass at 7:00 p.m. We invite all families to bring a flameless LED tea light in memory of their deceased loved ones. Following Mass, we will gather by the statue of the Holy Family for a special blessing and prayer for all our deceased family members, including those whose names are inscribed on our Memorial Wall. Let us come together in faith and prayer, entrusting our loved ones to God's loving mercy and keeping their memory alive in our hearts.



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

- The CWL invites all women of our parish to stop by the Narthex after Mass this weekend and learn more about our ministry, faith, fellowship and service to our parish and community. Come say hello, meet our members and see how you can get involved! Everyone is welcome!
- Join us on the 3rd Monday of the month for our General meeting from September - June at 7pm. For further information please contact league by email at cwl.smdy@gmail.com

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 23RD FROM 7-8:30PM**

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