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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: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:15 am Mass till 7:30 pm; Devotions at 6:30 pm; evening prayer
with Benediction 7:00 pm, Mass at 7:30 pm

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



*"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.

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week



MON, SEP 16 9:15 am	Connie Melo †; Alice Pais †; Valentina Bernardo Lacaba Sr. †
TUES, SEP 17 7:00 pm	In thanksgiving for the 18th birthday of Letticia Lobo; In thanksgiving for the 40th birthday of Emeka Okoli
WED, SEP 18 9:15 am	Amado, Armando Lavaba Sr. †; David Dychuck †; Walter DeMelo & deceased family members †; In thanksgiving for the 47th anniversary of Mel & Lorna Gamboa
THUR, SEP 19 7:00 pm	Joseph Pham Hao †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Elaine & Erika Ocampo
FRI, SEP 20 9:15 am	Daniel & Andrew Grima †
SAT, SEP 21 9:15 am	For the Intentions of Fr. Gomi
5:00 PM	Armando Dematos †; Terry Andrade †; Deceased members of the Dematos & Pontes family †
SUN, SEP 22 9:00 am	Manuel Paul †
10:30 am	For the People of the Parish
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Sr. Marilyn Machado †; Popo Corpus †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Olivia Saqui
8:00 pm	

THE BEREAVEMENT INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM

The Bereavement Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psychoeducation, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint and time will be allocated for group discussion.

Program begins on Monday, September 16, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Please register at: <https://nbbstmd.eventbrite.ca> For more information contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, RP (Q) alimanni@cfstoronto.com (647) 215-3978



In the wake of so much hatred, violence and destruction, we want to thank Our Lady for continuing to bring us Jesus, who alone has the power to heal open wounds and to restore peace to broken hearts. But we also want to ask her to implore for us the grace of God's mercy. We ask also for the grace to make reparation for our sins and for all the evil which this land has known.

It is not easy to do this. Yet only when we come to understand, in the light of the Cross, the evil we are capable of, and have even been a part of, can we experience true remorse and true repentance. Only then can we receive the grace to approach one another in true contrition, offering and seeking true forgiveness. In this difficult effort to forgive and find peace, Mary is always here to encourage us, to guide us, to lead us. Just as she forgave her Son's killers at the foot of his Cross, then held his lifeless body in her hands, so now she wants to guide Sri Lankans to greater reconciliation, so that the balm of God's pardon and mercy may bring true healing to all.

Pope Francis' Address while at the Shrine of Our Lady of Madhu, January 2015
On the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows (September 15), the story of this Sri Lankan devotion encapsulates well the closeness of the Mother who was given to us at the foot of the Cross. With the successful spread of the Christian faith in neighbouring Velankani, the body of water separating the two countries, known as Palk Strait, saw a similar statue in appearance make its way onto the island nation in the 16th century. The small community of Catholic Christians then faced danger not only from the local Buddhist and Hindu populations, but Dutch Protestants, in hostile competition with the Portuguese and Spanish, threatened to destroy the small Christian mission that had established itself in the Jaffna peninsula. Consequently, the Sri Lankan Catholics fled into the jungle taking refuge in their newly founded location that became Madhu.

The cited talk is Pope Francis' effort to bring reconciliation from the 30 year Sinhalese/Tamil civil war that ended in 2009 that resulted in almost 70,000 dead. While smoldering resentments from past civil conflict may be easing, a debt crisis, political turmoil and a collapse in the supply chain has brought new anxieties to the troubled country with many asylum seekers fleeing their homeland to find better elsewhere. It is right then that the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, present right in the middle of Sri Lanka's troubles, is invoked to help bring the promise of salvation, relief, and stability found in her Son – especially in a nation where those baptized remain but a small minority.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is.

Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David.

Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls Himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions. But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world. And the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death.

Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in today's First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words—as He gives Himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in today's Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death.

As Jesus tells us today, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial—losing our lives to save them in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in today's Epistle, must express itself in works of love.

Notice that Jesus questions the Apostles today "along the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life. We, too, are on a journey with the Lord.

We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel.

Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us until that day when we reach our destination and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.



Fr. Roger

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2024

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 23rd, 2024**
(Good Shepherd, & Blessed Michael McGivney, Fr. Clair Tipping)

- **Wednesday, September 25th, 2024**

(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. Fee
Forms have been distributed to our parish schools or can be pick up at the parish office or download will be available on our website.



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, September 30th, 2024 at 7:00pm

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

• **Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024 at 7:00pm**

(Good Shepherd, Our Lady of Providence, St. John Bosco)

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

1. Completed Registration Form; 2. copy of Baptismal Certificate & 3. Fee
Forms have been distributed to our parish schools or can be pick up at the parish office or download will be 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!

THAT MAN IS YOU

Join us for TMIY every Tuesday after the 7:00pm Mass in the chapel. Given that we all struggle as men to persevere in the responsibilities and commitments we face, I am inviting you to participate in an effective and strategic program to help us win both at home and at work.



RCIA



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the program for you! Contact the parish office for more information.

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

The Fall Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set. The Course will be held for five consecutive Saturday's October 26th, Nov 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd from 12:00pm - 5pm. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.

Marriage



Preparation

SMALL GROUP FAITH MINISTRY



"Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." (Matthew 18:20) If you would like to apply what you have learned from Scripture, teachings, and practical personal reflection questions, join the SGM meetings on Wednesdays and Saturdays. For more information, email Olivia Saqui at screeningcommittee.smdy@gmail.com

CHURCH/OFFICE HOURS

The church will be open for private prayer during the hours that the office is open. The times are: Tuesdays to Thursdays from 9:00am - 3:00pm & 4:00 pm - 8:00pm, Fridays and Sundays from 9:00am - 3:00pm.



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!!!

If you have envelopes from previous years throw them out!

If you use envelopes from a previous years your donation will NOT be attributed to your name!

If you wish to make a donation to the church please use the pink visitors envelopes and make sure you write clearly your full name and address so your donation can be assigned to your name or pick up a set for this year at the parish office during office hours.



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: sandyrobin22@gmail.com



STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Stitches from the Heart group meet Mondays after the 915am 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.



ROSARY APOSTOLATE

Would you like to pray, Mother Mary's most favourable prayer, the Holy Rosary with the children at our schools? The Rosary Apostolate is going back to in person. JOIN US! Training and supplies will be provided. For more information leave a message for Paula at the office.



LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm and Saturdays at 5pm for the Vietnamese Legion. Our Lady of Fatima statue will visit your home. For more information, please leave message for Lina Go or Annette Fernando at the parish office.

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: vinctdepaulsmdy@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.

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