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Mass Schedule

Weekdays (Monday to Saturday): 9:00 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am*, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm
*Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)
Rosary is prayed Monday to Saturday at 8:25 am

Adoration

Mondays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Reconciliation

Monday: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Saturday: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
By appointment - call the parish office

April 13, 2025

Fr. Chris Cauchi, *Pastor*
Angelica Chacon, *Family Life Minister*
Gordon D. Mansell, M. Mus, *Music Director*

Call the office for info on:

Sacrament of Baptism - Families must be registered, regularly attending Mass, supporting the good works of the church and involved in parish life. Parents are invited to attend a baptism preparation session every third week of the month.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) - This program is for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church.

Sacrament of Marriage - Parishioners must be registered and regularly attending Mass. Please contact us one year prior to your requested wedding date.

Pastoral References - You must be a registered parishioner, attending Sunday Mass regularly, participating in the sacramental and pastoral life of the Church community, be serving in a parish ministry (e.g. lector, catechist) on an on going basis, and be in good canonical standing within the Church.

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Palm Sunday



*"Blessed is the king
who comes in the
name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven and
glory in the highest."*

- Luke 19:38

The readings for Palm Sunday focus on the sacrifice which Jesus Christ made for us. As we contemplate the suffering and death of Jesus, we are struck by the paradox of His divinity and His willingness to endure such great pain and humiliation.

He turned to prayer, even in His darkest hour in the garden of Gethsemane and entrusted all into the loving care of His Father. He remained obedient, even when His closest friends betrayed Him and abandoned Him. As followers of Jesus, we are also called to trust in God completely. In the face of trials and difficulties, we can turn to prayer and trust God's loving care.

Reflection Questions:

- *How do I respond when facing suffering or adversity in my life?*
- *Do I turn to prayer and rely on God's strength and comfort, or try to handle things on my own?*
- *How can I deepen my relationship with God?*

Holy Week Schedule

Monday to Wednesday – April 14 to April 16
9:00 am Mass

Holy Thursday – April 17

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 pm
Everyone is invited to bring bells to ring during the Gloria. Altar of Repose in the parish hall from 8:30 pm to midnight

Good Friday – April 18

Stations of the Cross – 9:00 am and 7:30 pm
No confessions

Celebrations of the Lord's Passion

12:00 pm, 3:00 pm, and 5:00 pm

There will be a collection for the Holy Land. Envelopes available at church entrances.

The church will be open for private prayer until 8:00 pm

Holy Saturday – April 19

Blessing of Easter Food at 11:00 am

Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm

No 9:00 am & 5:15 pm Mass; No Confessions
Everyone is invited to bring bells to ring during the Gloria

Easter Sunday – April 20*

8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am and 12:30 pm

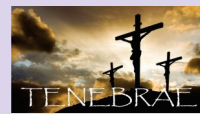
*Children at the 9:30 am Mass are asked to remain with their families - there will be no Liturgy of the Word with Children.

Additional seating available in the parish hall during Holy Week.



Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

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As part of our Holy Week observances **TENEBRAE** will once again be presented on **Tuesday, April 15, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm** in the church. Tenebrae, meaning darkness, is a moving experience that conveys the sorrow of Holy Week through solemn and noble music and scripture. Free will offerings appreciated.

Good Friday

A day of fasting and abstinence from meat

Fasting takes on its deepest meaning when it opens our hearts to prayer, unites us with those who suffer from hunger, and helps us redirect our resources to support the poor.

According to Church law:

- Abstinence from meat is required of all Catholics aged 14 and older
- Fasting is required of those aged 18 to 59

Parents and educators are encouraged to gradually introduce children to the spirit and practice of penance. The example set by adults is the most powerful teacher in fostering this understanding.



Phone Ministry for Homebound Parishioners

This pilot ministry will support those who are elderly, isolated, or unable to attend Mass. Volunteers will offer companionship and encouragement through phone calls, ensuring that no parishioner feels forgotten. If you know someone who could benefit from this ministry, please contact the parish office. Privacy will be respected. Together, let's bring the Church to those who need it most.



Online Auction Raises Over \$8K!

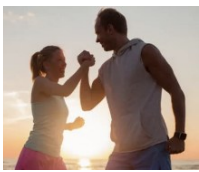
We're thrilled to share that our online auction raised \$8,706.75! This generous support will go toward special parish events this fall as we celebrate our 85th parish anniversary. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated—and a special note of gratitude to parishioner Jay Mandarino and JBM Auction Services for making it all possible!

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Couples Night: Faith & Fitness with Fr. Paul Friday, April 25, 2025 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm in parish hall

Have you purchased your tickets yet? Calling all dating, engaged, or married couples. This evening combines faith, fitness, and health to strengthen your well-being as a couple. Enjoy a delicious dinner and fun activities designed to inspire connection and a healthy lifestyle.

Dress Code: Sports gear. *Cost:* \$75 per couple.



Tickets available at the back of the church after Mass or at the parish office.

Last day to purchase tickets:
Tuesday, April 22

Register with <https://bit.ly/4cjSjyj> or email Angelica at Familylife@sorrows.ca



Save the date! Join us for our next Family Movie Afternoon on Saturday, April 26. Doors open at 2:30 pm, and the movie will begin at 3:00 pm. Free admission and popcorn. We hope to see you there!



Totus Tuus Summer Camp – Be part of this week-long fun and faith-filled summer camp:

• Day Program (Gr 1-6 in September 2025)

July 7 – July 11 from 8:45 am to 2:30 pm

Fee: \$135 (\$115 for subsequent siblings) – Includes lunch, snacks & T-shirt.

Late pickup (2:30-4:00 pm) available for \$20 per week.

• Evening Program (Gr 7-12 in September 2025)

July 6 – July 10 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Fee: \$75 (\$65 for subsequent siblings) – Includes dinner & T-shirt.

Want to help? We need volunteers for the day camp, meals, and evening program.

For more info visit <https://bit.ly/4hWTuFf>

Questions or interested in volunteering? Email Angelica at totustuus@sorrows.ca



Prayer Corner

We continue our focus on the fourth type of prayer, Thanksgiving. There are many ways that we can give thanks to God during Mass, for His presence, goodness and blessings in our lives.

We can also use our voices during Mass to sing praises and hymns to thank God. Whether we are singing boldly in the children or adult choir, or modestly in our pew — singing is praying. We can also sing our praises around the house, in the car or walks in the park — in our quiet time. As we thank Him with song, we repeat the truth about Him to ourselves and to others.

Pick up a Thanksgiving prayer card at the church entrances and make time to pray every day. Access the online version: bit.ly/4bZicn3



Spring Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke April 26 to June 21, 10:00 am to 11:30 am

Spans eight Saturdays in the parish hall, (no session May 17). Cost: \$45, includes workbook. Register at ministry01@sorrows.ca with Susy/Jennifer.

Spiritual Resilience in Challenging Times

Monday, May 12 | 10:00 – 11:30 am | Parish Hall

Join us for a special session on finding strength through faith with Dr. Ann Sirek—physician, theologian, and resilience expert. Through Scripture and guided meditation, discover how memory, imagination, and spirituality bring hope in hard times. Free event. All are welcome! Registration with Anne Marie at 416-559-9455.

Palm Sunday – A Call to Justice

Palm Sunday reminds us of the contrast between God's Kingdom and worldly power. It's a time to reflect on social, economic, and ecological justice—and our call to act with mercy. Let your voice be heard on April 28. Learn more at www.eculinks.ca.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

April 14 to 20

Mon. †Nan McAneney by Helen Timpson


Tue. †Earl Anselm by Mercy Anselm & family

Wed. Int. of Leah Bautista by family

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday
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