

# **OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH**

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Mass ScheduleReconciliationWeekdays (Monday-Saturday): 9:00amMonday: 7:00pm - 8:30pmSaturday Vigil: 5:15pmSaturday: 4:00pm-5:00pmSunday: 8:00am, 9:30am\*, 11:00am, 12:30pm\*Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter-World Day of Prayer for Vocations

April 30, 2023

Fr. Chris Cauchi, Pastor

Agustin Meneses, Deacon

Gordon D. Mansell, M. Mus, Music Director

#### **Ministries and Groups**

Alpha • Altar Servers • Altar Society • Bible Study • Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion • Garden Buddies • Knitters Circle • Lectors • Liturgy of the Word with Children • Ministers of Hospitality • Music Ministry • Religious Education for Children • Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) • Sacramental Preparation • Social Committee Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Call the office for info on:

#### Sacrament of Baptism

#### 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.

Our Lady of Sorrows School www.tcdsb.org

Archdiocese of Toronto www.archtoronto.org

Catholic Cemeteries www.catholic-cemeteries.com



### Jesus the Good Shepherd

The readings this weekend invite us to reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who cares for his flock. Jesus is intimately involved in our lives, and he knows us and loves us individually. We are called to follow him, and to trust in his guidance and protection.

The Good Shepherd offers us protection from those who would lead us astray, but we must make the effort to hear his voice and follow Him and His promise of eternal life.

We are also reminded that we are not alone in our journey -- we are part of a larger community of believers, our Church, which is led and guided by Christ. As members of this family, we should support and care for one another, just as the Good Shepherd cares for his sheep.

**Reflection Questions:** 

- Do I recognize the voice of Jesus and take the time to listen for his guidance in my life?
- Do I trust in Jesus' care and protection, even in the face of difficulty or uncertainty?
- How can I support and care for others in my Church community?

# **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

#### OLS Mass of Anointing of the Sick Monday, May 8 at 11am



The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with those who are seriously ill, those who are preparing for surgery and the frail and elderly. This sacrament of healing is meant to

heal the whole person: spiritually, physically, mentally, and to help them to experience God's love and mercy. Consider bringing a family member or a friend.

The morning will include:

- Confessions from 10am to 10:50am, Accessible confessional will be set up at the north-east doors of the church.
- Mass at 11am
- After Mass, all are invited to join us for a light lunch in the parish hall.

Please RSVP with the parish office by Thursday May 4th if you will be joining us for lunch.



We are excited to be hosting <u>Totus</u> <u>Tuus</u>, a week-long summer camp for children & teens from July 9 to 14.

Day Program: gr 1-6 in September

From 8:45 am to 2:30pm. Registration fee: \$125 includes lunch, snacks and camp t-shirt. Family discount of \$100 for subsequent siblings.

Evening Program: gr 7-12 in September

From 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Registration fee: \$25 includes refreshments and camp t-shirt.

To register, volunteer, or for any questions, please email: <u>totustuus@sorrows.ca</u>.

# **Employment Opportunity**

OLS parish is seeking a Cook/Housekeeper If you or anyone you know is interested in the position, the job posting can be found on the <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>. Deadline for applications is Friday, May 12, 2023.

### **Best Wishes to Virginia**



Virginia has been a part of the OLS Parish team for the past year and a half, joining us on her work term as a Canadian Armed Forces Chaplain. She is leaving OLS in mid-May to

begin her basic training with the military this summer and in September, she will be off to her first posting in Ottawa. Share your good wishes with Virginia by signing the card available at the back of the church and join us on May 7 after the 12:30pm Mass for celebration with cake.

### **Church Maintenance Update**

During the past month, we have:

- Repaired the drain on southeast section of the flat roof of the Church (\$1900)
- Completed the parish annual fire alarm system inspection (\$2810)

Monthly donations to help support the "Roof/ Maintenance Fund" are scheduled for next weekend.

Also, the major projects team on OLS Building Committee recently met to review a list of significant projects. Once these are prioritized, they will be passed on to the OLS Finance Council for estimates and budgeting. A report will be made to parishioners in the coming months, once this process is completed.

#### 2022 Financial Report

If you missed the OLS Financial Update last weekend and would like a copy, please ask any of the Ushers.

**Congratulations** - This Sunday April 30 at 3pm, we welcome our First Communicants and their families as they celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This Spring, 79 young people are celebrating their Sacrament of Holy Communion and 82 their Sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for them and their families as they grow in their faith.

#### Update on the Ukrainian Hosting Program for Parishioners

Millions of Ukrainians have been forced to flee their homeland, and over 200,000 have already arrived in Canada through a special visa program created bv Immigration Canada. An additional 800,000 Ukrainians have applied to the program and are expected to arrive in the coming months. Many are arriving to Toronto and without family here in Canada, there is an immediate need for help to host individuals and families for a period between 1-6 months. To learn more, please visit: www.archtoronto.org and register for a virtual information session.

We invite you for Adoration & Confessions, Monday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the church.



# **Coffee Friday**



Join us for coffee and fellowship on Friday, May 5, after the 9am Mass in the parish hall. We invite you to bring something to share. All are welcome.

### ShareLife Second Collection

This weekend, we are holding our second collection for our parish's ShareLife campaign. When you support ShareLife,

you help educate our future priests. This past year, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary, both located in Toronto.

Thank you for your generosity. To date, we have collected \$206,804.20 -- 47% of our \$440,000 annual parish goal. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or online through our website: www.sorrows.ca.

# Parish Spiritual Bouquet to Archbishop Leo

This is the last weekend to participate in our Parish Spiritual Bouquet for Archbishop Leo!

The spiritual bouquet is a beautiful Catholic tradition where prayers, sacrifices, and good deeds by OLS parishioners will be offered as a spiritual gift to Archbishop Leo on Wednesday, May 3rd as he embarks on his new ministry in Toronto.



Please take a moment to fill out a Spiritual Bouquet card, available at the back of the church. Parishioners of all ages are invited to participate!

#### Regional Mass of Welcome St. Francis Xavier Parish, Mississauga Wednesday, May 3, 7pm

All Catholics in the Western Region of Toronto are invited to attend a Regional Mass of Welcome for Archbishop Francis Leo taking place this week at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Mississauga. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome! Please call 905-890-5290 for more information.

### Vocations - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of <u>Vocations</u>, <u>Archdiocese of</u> Toronto at 416-968-0997.

# Mass Intentions

# May 1 to 7

- Mon. †Carole Ann Kerrigan by Kerrigan Family
- Tues. †Jose Caceres by Delia Urosevic
- Wed. †Members of the Gilligan, Mahon & Norton Families by The Carroll Family
- Thurs. †William Antonacci by Family
- **Fri.** †Goseco, †Valencia & †Feliciano Families by Linda Feliciano
- Sat. †Theresa Fudurich by Brian Nixon

Sat. 5:15pm †Drago Krasic by Teresa & Steve Krasic

- Sun. 8am †Connell Broden by Liz Broden
  - 9:30am Parish Intentions
- 11:00am + Walter Joseph Ryan by Gordon & Inis Mansell
- 12:30pm †Jane Bird by Mary & Theresa Rickett

