

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4:00pm 3055 Bloor St W, Etobicoke ON M8X 1C6 416-231-6016 <u>office@sorrows.ca</u> <u>www.sorrows.ca</u>

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.)

Easter Sunday - Resurrection of the Lord

April 9, 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.

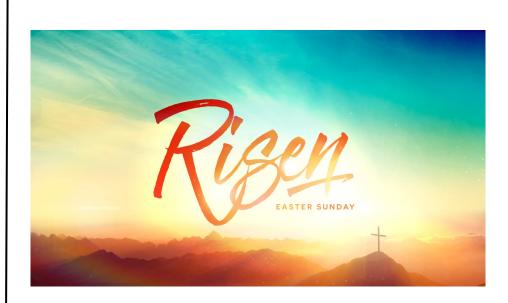
Pastoral References

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



Encounter the Risen Christ!

2022- 2023 RCIA Congratulations to the new Catholics!

Baptized, Confirmed and celebrated their first Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil:

George, Aubrey, Keira, Oliver, George, Birsen, Amen and Daniel.

As these new members of our parish family are welcomed, we ask parishioners to continue remembering them in prayer as they continue their journeys of faith.

We also ask that you keep the young people of our parish in your prayers as they celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter Season.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



In his Easter video, Fr. Chris reflects on the invitation of Jesus Christ to unite ourselves with him. This is the message of Hope, where the Joy of Easter comes from. Let us celebrate this Easter mystery together at the Church!

Visit www.sorrows.ca to watch the video.

Rejoice and be Glad

At the empty tomb on Easter Sunday over 2000 years ago, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were initially afraid – but then their fear was tempered by an immense joy. They encounter Christ who tells them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." (Matthew 28:10). The joy that springs from this encounter compels them to run and find the Apostles and proclaim: "He is Risen"!

Like the women and the Apostles, we too can be filled with fear. Without faith, the experiences of our lives can be confusing and difficult to interpret. We are called to overcome these feelings of uncertainty and to go forward with joy. When we address our fears through the eyes of faith, we are freed to bring about authentic and lasting spiritual transformation - confident that it is the Risen Christ who walks with us and reassures us, every day.

The transformative power of the Resurrection offers hope, new life, and the assurance that God never abandons us. It also challenges us to let go of sin and selfishness, and to allow the Easter message to change our hearts and transform our lives.

Reflection Questions for Easter:

- In what ways does the risen Christ appear in my life?
- In what ways can I live without fear, trusting in God's presence in my life?
- How can I be a source of new life and hope for those around me?



Baptism - Next Sunday, April 16 at the 12:30pm Mass we welcome Allegra into the Catholic faith. Please pray for the new member of our parish community and her family.

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Our young parishioners, ages 4 to 10 are invited to participate in our *Liturgy of the Word with Children* every Sunday at the 9:30 am Mass.

Serving those who are Homebound - Do you know someone from our parish community who is not able to attend Mass because of health issues? Let the parish office know so that we can arrange for a priest to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession and/or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to bring the Eucharist. Please call 416-231-6016.

Private Prayer & Confessions - The church will be open on Monday, April 17, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for Private Prayer & Confession.

ORGANIX Concerts presents organist Christopher Dawes in a lunchtime concert at OLS on Wednesday April 12, 12:30pm to 1:30pm. Christopher will perform music of the liturgical year from Easter to Trinity Sunday. Free-will offering gratefully accepted.



Join us this month for **Coffee Friday on April 14** after the 9:00 am Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome. Share a treat and bring a friend!

Totus Tuus Summer Camp

Totus Tuus is returning to OLS! We are excited to be hosting a week-long summer camp for children and teens this July.

What's it all about?

Totus Tuus is Latin for "*Totally Yours*". Totus Tuus teams are college-age teachers who are trained to help young people grow in their understanding of their faith and spend their summer visiting parishes in the Archdiocese. They will be supported by other leaders and volunteers from OLS.

Who can attend?

> For Children starting grades 1 to 6 in September: Day Program

The day program will run from Monday, July 10 to Friday, July 14th, from 8:45 am to 2:30pm. Registration fee is \$125 (Family discount of \$100 for subsequent siblings) for the week (includes lunch, snacks and camp t-shirt).

> For Teens entering grades 7 to 12 in September: Evening Program

The evening program will run from Sunday, July 9 to Thursday, July 13, from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Registration fee is \$25 (includes refreshments and camp t-shirt).

> Teens in High School can also apply to volunteer for the Day Camp

How to sign up

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

ShareLife: An invitation to give

Jesus' love for us invites us to give to others, especially those most in need. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or <u>online</u> through our parish website <u>www.sorrows.ca</u>. Our parish goal this year is \$440,000.

Next Bible Study

Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

Begins Saturday, April 22, 10:00 am to 11:30 am OLS Parish Hall * Cost: \$40.00

Following Christ takes more than simply believing in him or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer - He wants you to be His disciple and friend. Join us for our next Bible Study. *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John* - your guide to a personal encounter with Christ. For inquires or to register, email <u>ministry01@sorrows.ca</u>

Bloor St West Lane Reductions - Proposed road changes by the City of Toronto are being planned on Bloor Street West that will impact traffic flow in front of OLS Church and access to the church for Masses, Weddings, Funerals and other events. One motor vehicle lane will be removed in each direction on Bloor St West and cycle tracks will be created, with physical separation on both sides. Public consultations are in their final stages at two drop-in meetings are scheduled for next Wednesday April 12 and Thursday April 13. Visit the <u>www.toronto.ca/BloorWest</u> for more details and to complete the online feedback form by April 27.



Digital Payment Pilot at OLS - An easy alternative to cash, simply tap your card on the pre-set giving amounts on the display for votive candles & Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

April 10 to April 16

Mass Intentions

- Mon. †Adam Beldycki by Family
- Tues. †Lucy Lenzi by Ursula Matthews
- Wed. †Maureen Keane by Gerry Simpson
- Thurs. †Marie Shannon by Virginia De Witt
- Fri. †Virginia Reyes by Chuck & Leah Bautista
- Sat. Int of Christina D'Addese,

†Elizabeth Montrichard by Anique Asher & Family

Sat. 5:15pm †Dixie Wickham by Ed Wickham

Sun. 8am †Magda & +Joseph Suchy by Bubrin Family

9:30am †Anthony Rinomato by Medal Family

11:00am + Brukner & Smyslo Families by Helen Brukner & Family

12:30pm Parish Intentions

