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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

February 23, 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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## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel, Jesus calls us to show compassion and help each other. Instead of judging, we should try to understand the struggles others are facing, building stronger, more loving communities. We learn to follow the path that Jesus set for us by loving our enemies, despite our instincts urging us to hate.

We should live with mercy, choosing kindness over revenge, and forgiving those who have wronged us. Forgiveness is something we all need. Holding grudges can harm us and prevent us from finding peace. Jesus teaches that we must forgive to be forgiven.

Reflection questions:

- *What does it mean to bear the image of Christ in my actions?*
- *How can I show love to my enemies in practical ways?*
- *Why is forgiveness important for my own peace and well-being?*

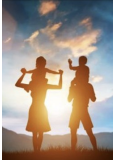
**Second Collection Next Weekend  
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## Session on Palliative Care Tuesday, February 25

You are invited to attend the last session of Horizons of Hope, designed to help parishioners, caregivers, and family members facing a terminal illness learn more about palliative care and the importance of compassion in our communities. Join in the parish hall, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Workshop is free! Printed materials for \$5. Register with Anne Marie at 416-559-9455.



## Parent's Small Group – February 28

We meet in the parish hall from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Parents of all ages and stages are welcome. Light dinner and childcare will be provided. Registration required: [bit.ly/3YYnlpp](http://bit.ly/3YYnlpp)



## Mass with Contemporary Music 12:30 pm Mass on March 2

Praise and worship music adds a prayerful, accessible element to our liturgies. Not sure if you can sing? Rehearse with Alejandra Ballon and the ensemble 10 minutes before the Mass begins.



**With Joyful Hearts** - On Sunday, March 2, we welcome Eva at the 12:30 pm Mass who will celebrate her Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for Eva and her family.



## OLS Pancake Tuesday March 4, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Take part in our long-standing tradition of celebrating Shrove Tuesday with a pancake supper in the parish hall!

Dinner features delicious pancakes, sausages, maple syrup, blueberry compote, applesauce, juice and tea/coffee. For kids there will be a dedicated 'pancake decorating table'!

Get your tickets after all Masses at the back of the church: \$12 for 13 years+, \$5 for children 6-12 and free for children 5 and younger.

We are also looking for volunteers to share their time and talent. Please contact [office@sorrows.ca](mailto:office@sorrows.ca).

## OLS 85th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Participate in our online silent auction and bid on a variety of item - red wine lots, gift certificates, unique experiences, and more! Your participation will help fund upcoming events and ensure our anniversary celebrations are a success. Auction closes on March 8. Place your winning bids today! Visit [bit.ly/3Ens2SS](http://bit.ly/3Ens2SS)

**Ash Wednesday** marks the beginning of the liturgical season of Lent; 40 days of prayer, penance and reflection in preparation for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. **Ashes will be distributed on March 5 at the 9:00 am and 7:30 pm Masses.**

As we receive the blessed ashes, we are reminded that *'we are dust, and to dust we shall return,'* and we are called to *'Repent, and believe in the Gospel.'*

## Change in Monthly Coffee Social



Starting **Thursday, March 6**, our monthly coffee social will move to the first Thursday of each month, after the 9 am Mass, rather than the first Friday. This change reflects our desire to rediscover the penitential nature of Fridays.

We hope that this new schedule will continue to offer the opportunity for fellowship, while also respecting the spirit of Friday as a day of penance. For more information on the significance of keeping Fridays, please refer to # 10 of the Archdiocese of Toronto's Catechetical Resource on Plenary Indulgences - <https://bit.ly/41rT8BD>

## Feast of St. Patrick - March 17



Join us for a nine day novena beginning on Sunday, March 9 at 7:45am and continues until March 17. During the week, the novena begins at 8:50am.



## Feast of St. Joseph - March 19

We invite you to pray with us for nine days starting Tuesday, March 18 at 8:45am.

**Parish Lenten Mission:  
Mary: A Sure Sign of Hope  
Led by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Ph.D.  
Saturday, March 29 | 9:30 am – 4:00 pm**

Join us for a day of reflection and renewal as Dr. Lombardi leads us through a powerful meditation on the sorrows of Mother Mary, helping us remain anchored in the hope that defines this Jubilee Year. The day will include insightful presentations, time for prayer and faith sharing, and Eucharistic Adoration with uplifting Praise and Worship music.

Dr. Lombardi is the Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of Pastoral and Systematic Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary and the Ecclesiastical Faculty of Theology.

Attendance is free of charge, but free-will offerings are appreciated. Lunch will be available in the hall for \$15 for those who RSVP by March 23 at [office@sorrows.ca](mailto:office@sorrows.ca).

**Save the Dates!**

**Bundle Weekend** - March 29 & 30  
Donate to help our neighbours in need.

**Prenatal Child Loss Memorial Mass**  
Monday, March 31, at 7:00 pm

**Parish Maintenance Update** - On the last weekend of each month, we provide an update on the upkeep of our parish.

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**OLS Pilgrimage - September 16 to 30, 2025**



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**Prayer Corner**

As we conclude our focus on the second type of prayer, Petition, we are reminded that a petition prayer is simply asking for something we want – both for ourselves and others.

We are always encouraged to ask God, who loves us very much, for specific needs. We can use petition prayers for a variety of intentions, such as: asking for help for sick friends or relatives, asking for help with difficult situations at work or school, asking for help with family problems, or asking for help with issues of peace and justice in the world.

While our expectations for our prayers to be answered may be limited, nothing exceeds the creative powers of God. We are encouraged to turn to him at our darkest moments, asking for God's light and love to shine through.

Please pick up a Petition prayer card at the church entrances and make time to pray or go to [bit.ly/4hOvIR](https://bit.ly/4hOvIR).



**Catholic Charities**  
of the Archdiocese of Toronto

**Provincial Election Guide**

The Ontario Provincial Election will take place next Thursday, February 27. You are encouraged to vote and take part in the democratic process. Before voting, learn more about the candidates and parties seeking your support. Please take a few minutes to review the election guide created by Catholic Charities: <https://bit.ly/3X5ss72>

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK

**February 24 to March 2**

**Mon.** †Mark Marion by Daniel Kelly

**Tue.** †Nicholas Ward by family

**Wed.** Int. of Regina Finnegan by Anne & Bob Shiley

**Thu.** †Pacita & †Graciano Ventura by Gloria Ventura

**Fri.** †David Diston by the Nixon family

**Sat.** †Adelmira Barriga by Delia Urosevic

**Sat. 5:15pm** Living & Deceased members of Salvatore Cutrara family

**Sun. 8:00am** †Amando Dalusong Jr. by Eileen Dalusong

**9:30am** Parish Intentions

**11:00am** Living & Deceased Members of the Goseco, Valencia & Feliciano by Linda Feliciano

**12:30pm** †Johanna Zbogor by Zbogor family

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