

# OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

An Ever-Growing Beacon of God's Love, Hope and Joy for All

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Mass ScheduleAdorationWeekdays (Monday to Saturday): 9:00 amMondays 7:00 pm - 8:30 pmSaturday Vigil: 5:15 pmSunday: 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

Reconciliation

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

February 9, 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.

Society of St Vincent de Paul 647-770-4805

Our Lady of Sorrows School www.tcdsb.org

Archdiocese of Toronto www.archtoronto.org

Catholic Cemeteries www.catholic-cemeteries.com

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



In the Gospel, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow Him. They were fishermen, likely illiterate and yet, Jesus saw potential in them. The fishermen's response is immediate. They leave everything and follow Jesus, sacrificing the life they had and trusting in Him.

Our call to follow Jesus is similar. We might feel unqualified or unworthy, but Jesus invites us to trust Him and follow Him wholeheartedly. By answering this call, we embark on a journey of faith, trusting that Jesus will guide and equip us.

**Reflection questions:** 

- How can I live out the gospel message in my daily actions and decisions?
- How can I trust Jesus more, especially in difficult situations?
- What can I do to share my faith more effectively with others?

**Marriage Sunday** highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage, affirms couples who strengthen our faith community through their witness, and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations across North America. First celebrated in the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2011, Marriage Sunday was designated on the second Sunday of February each year. We invite you to read the Message from Cardinal Leo for Marriage Sunday. Visit <u>https://bit.ly/3Cwmoxr</u>



#### Record-Breaking Fundraising at the Christmas Concert

The Christmas Concert held on

December 17, 2024, raised an incredible \$14,600 for the Out of the Cold Program, administered by All Saints Kingsway! A heartfelt thank you to Gordon Mansell, our music director, the senior and junior choirs, the MOSAIC Canadian Vocal Ensemble, the Odin String Quartet, and to everyone who attended and generously contributed to this important cause.

#### FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

#### Family Movie Afternoon – February 15

Join us in watching *Migration (2023)* by Universal Pictures. Follow a family of ducks on an



unforgettable adventure as they navigate challenges together, discovering the true meaning of family,

courage, and love. Perfect for all ages! (Rated PG) Doors open at 2:30 pm, and the movie starts at 3:00 pm. Free admission!

Mom's Group: Pray & Play – February 18 Are you a mother with a young child under 4 years old? Join other mothers for meaningful conversation and reflection on the joys and challenges of motherhood. 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the parish hall.

#### Parent's Small Group – February 28



5:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Parents of all ages and stages are welcome. Light dinner and childcare will be provided. Registration required: <u>bit.ly/3YYnlpp</u>

#### **Sessions on Palliative Care**



The OLS Mental Health Initiative Group is excited to announce the return of the Horizons of Hope program, now offered in the evenings. This fourmodule program is designed to help parishioners, caregivers, and family

members facing a terminal illness learn more about palliative care and the importance of building compassionate communities within the context of our Catholic faith.

Sessions take place in the parish hall, on Tuesdays from Feb. 4 to Feb. 25, 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Workshops are free! Printed materials for \$5. Contact Anne Marie at 416-559-9455 to register.

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

We invite you to join our long standing tradition of celebrating



Pancake Tuesday in the parish hall. Dinner will feature delicious pancakes, sausages, maple syrup, blueberry compote, applesauce, juice and tea/ coffee.

For kids there will be a dedicated *pancake decorating table*'! Tickets go on sale starting next weekend 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. Email <u>office@sorrows.ca</u>.

**Stay in the know!** — Don't miss out on exciting parish events and activities by viewing our 3-month calendar at: <u>bit.ly/4gh3iJS</u>

#### Addressing Homelessness

Homelessness affects over 10,000 people in Toronto each night, with many relying on shelters, temporary housing, or living on the streets. The need for affordable housing has never been more urgent as the city's housing market becomes increasingly out of reach for many. As a faith community, we are called to respond with compassion and action to support those in need.

In response to the growing demand for shelter services, the City of Toronto is creating up to 20 new shelter sites across the city. All are invited to a **Drop-in Community Session on Monday, February 10, 5 pm to 8 pm at Humber College Lakeshore Campus – Building G, 17 Colonel Samuel Smith Park Drive**. City officials and Deputy Mayor Morley will be present to provide information and listen to your feedback. For more details, visit toronto.ca/66Third, email 66third@gmail.com, or call 647-946-8710.

## OLS 85th Anniversary Celebration

#### Participate in Our Live & Silent Auctions

1) Register & Login – Create an account or log in if you're already registered: bit.ly/3Ens2SS

2) Place Your Bids – Once logged in, browse our auction listings. Click "Bid Now" on or select an item to view more details and place your bid from the item's auction page.

3) Stay Updated – You'll receive an email confirmation each time you place a bid.

4) Outbid Notifications – If another bidder surpasses your offer, we'll notify you via email, giving you the chance to place a higher bid.

5) Winning & Payment – When the auction ends, the highest bidder will receive an email with payment details and next steps to complete the purchase.

Get started now and place your winning bid!

#### Ontario Provincial Election 2025 Etobicoke-Lakeshore Candidates Debate

Wednesday, Feb.12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm Daily Bread Food Bank: 191 New Toronto St. This is a free event, but registration is required: <u>https://bit.ly/4hOnOCd</u>

#### February 10 to 16

- Mon. †Violet Moldowan by Michael Foran
- **Tue.** †Cynthia Pinto by the Vaz family
- Wed. †Maria Armandina Dasilva by Steve Krasic
- Thu. †Leslie Sharples by Catherine & Joe Mallia
- Fri. †Matt Marion by Daniel Kelly
- Sat. Deceased: †Vito Giannini by family, †Earl Anselm by Mercy Anselm & family, †Jose Caceres by Delia Urosevic, †Philip Leane by Gerry Simpson, †German & †Gaby Valenzuela by Claudia Valenzuela & family, †Michael Fassel by Kevin Fioravanti & Diana Ciccale, †George Octaviano Goncalves by Goncalves family, †Dorothy & †Mike Miletich by Vladimir Bubrin, †Jadwiga Beldycka by Mendes & Cappucciti family, †Juliana D'Souza by Daphne & Stephanie D'Souza,†Erlinda Trono Cristobal by Denise Torres & family, †Estrella & †Simeon Bontogon by Alex & Arlene Knox, †Carl De Souza by family

Intentions of Gladys Wolowiec by Delia Urosevic, Magdalene & Francis Labrador by family

- Sat. 5:15pm †Pasko & Mark Pavkovic by Frances Pavkovic
- Sun. 8:00am †Joaquim & †Maria Rosa Santos by Rosa, Natalie & family
  - 9:30am Parish Intentions
  - 11:00am †Donald Leitch by Cathy Sbrolla
  - 12:30pm Int. of Bozena Falkowski by Danuta Gorski



### Prayer Corner

As we continue our focus on the second type of prayer, Petition, we invite you to sing at Mass as a way of asking God for his help.

Music helps to enhance our prayers. Last month we featured Adoration prayers and with that, we sang Adoro te Devote, a traditional devotional hymn written by St. Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century. This month, to illustrate what a Petition prayer is, Gordon, our Music Director, has selected the Taizé hymn, O Lord, Hear My Prayer. Normally this phrase is sung as a repetitive prayer, petitioning our Lord to hear our pleadings. In addition, he has written a musical setting employing the text of Psalm 102.

We encourage you to sing this and all our hymns along with the Cantor. Don't be afraid to sing – singing helps to take these musical prayers to heart.

Pick up a Petition prayer card at the church entrances and make time to pray or go to <u>https://bit.ly/4hOvrIR</u>

#### Save the Dates!

March 29 — Parish Lenten Mission 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, led by Dr. Josephine Lombardi

> March 29 & 30 — Bundle Weekend Donate to help our neighbours in need.



