

# **OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH**

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



### 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

January 12, 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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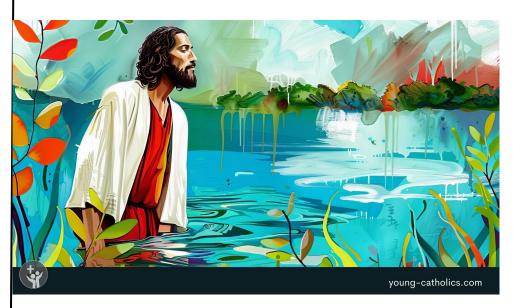
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# Baptism of the Lord



In today's Gospel, we see a special moment where the Trinity is revealed. We see the Father speaking from heaven, the Son being baptized, and the Holy Spirit descending.

God is a community of love. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are united and share in the work of salvation. Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of his mission to bring God's love to the world. The Holy Spirit empowers him, and the Father's voice affirms him.

We are reminded that our own baptism also connects us to this loving relationship. We are invited to share in the life of the Trinity and to spread God's love to others. Just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are united in love and mission, we are called to live in love and to serve others in our daily lives.

# Reflection questions:

- Why did Jesus, though sinless, choose to be baptized?
- How can I see my own baptism as a call to mission?
- What can I learn from Jesus' humility in being baptized by John?

## Winter Bible Study — Starts NEXT Saturday Wisdom: God's Vision for Life



Study runs from Jan. 18 to Mar. 8, Saturday mornings, 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the parish hall. A companion journal included. Cost: \$35, plus an optional \$5.95 USD for 1

-year online video access. To register email ministry01@sorrows.ca or call the parish office.

# Thank You for Spreading the Cheer!

# Thank You for a Successful Christmas **Adopt a Family Program**

The Society of St Vincent de Paul would like to say THANK YOU to the many parishioners as well as the students and teachers from OLS School who participated in the annual Adopt-a-Family program. Your generosity supported over 50 families/ couples/singles. Thank you for sharing the Christmas spirit with our neighbours-in-need. We greatly appreciate it!

# Ernestine's A special Thank You to

Women's Shelter

donated items for

teens at Ernestine's Womens Shelter. We collected a truckload of new hats, mitts, socks, and personal hygiene items. Delivery of these gifts for the shelter is possible due to the kindness of our parishioners.

### Sacraments for the Sick and Homebound

Please contact the parish office at 416-231-6016 if you or someone you know would like to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and / or the Anointing of the Sick.

# Offertory Envelopes for 2025

Offertory envelopes for the new year are available at the church entrance. Please use only the new 2025 numbered envelopes and write your name, address,



and amount legibly on the first few envelopes. This number is assigned to you for 2025. All donations will be included in a donation receipt for the calendar year. Thank you for your generosity!

# **Tutti a Tavola! OLS Fundraising Dinner** Saturday, February 22 — Parish Hall Cocktails at 6:30 & Dinner at 7:00

Tutti a tavola a mangiare! Everyone to the table to eat! Enjoy a fabulous Italian dinner, with wine, prepared by Biagio Vinci and phenomenal live music by a jazz duo. This promises to be a wonderful night out to warm your heart in cold mid-winter.

Tickets are \$175 per person and are available after all Masses this weekend. Only 100 tickets will be on offer so act quickly to secure a spot. Cash, debit and credit cards are accepted. A tax receipt will be issued for the portion of the ticket that goes to charity.

There are two beneficiaries of this fundraising event. Half of the proceeds will be given to the Bloor West Food Bank, which helps so many challenged by food insecurity. The other half will support special free events held later this year to celebrate the 85th anniversary of the parish.

Share a great evening with your OLS family and friends!

## **FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

# Mom's Group: Pray & Play — Tuesday, Jan. 21



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 — Wednesday, Jan. 22

Our next meeting will take place from 5:00| pm to 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Parents of all ages and stages are welcome to join. Light dinner and childcare will be provided. Registration required: bit.ly/3YYnlpp.



# Family Movie Afternoon — Saturday, Jan. 25



You are invited to join us in the parish hall for a fun family movie event. Doors open at 2:30 pm and the movie starts

at 3:00 pm. Admission is free. Enjoy free popcorn.

For more information and to volunteer, email familylife@sorrows.ca.

# Vesnivka Choir Christmas Concert THIS Sunday, Jan. 12, 2025 at OLS Church

Enjoy Ukrainian Christmas *Kolyadky* and New Year *Schedrivky*. 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Doors open 3:00 pm. Tickets \$30 at the door. Free entry for 16 and under. Hope to see you there!

# Community Building Event — Jan. 26



After the 8:00 am Mass, in the parish hall. Hosted by the Parish Support Ministries. Meet fellow parishioners and help grow our parish community. Please bring

some baked goods to share with others.

# Cognitive Decline: Dementia, Memory, and Wellbeing — Monday, Jan. 27



Join this informative workshop from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the parish hall, focused on understanding dementia, its

symptoms, and how it affects memory and wellbeing. Feel free to bring treats to share—hot coffee and tea will be provided! Attendance is free of charge, but reservation is required by calling or texting Anne Marie at 416-559-9455.

# **Celebration of Marriage Mass**

As part of Marriage Sunday, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside



at a special Mass to honour married couples. The Mass will take place on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2:30 pm at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. Reserve your spot at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/3PrHvUm">bit.ly/3PrHvUm</a>

Stay connected — Please visit our website to see our 3-month calendar: bit.ly/4gh3iJS

OLS Pilgrimage, under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Chris Cauchi, September 16 to 30, 2025 (14 days). Visit <a href="bit.ly/40NUerp">bit.ly/40NUerp</a> or call 647-294-4116 for details.



## **Jubilee News**

We are pleased to announce that Cardinal Leo has designated OLS as a Pilgrimage Church for our region! Bishop Camilleri,

Auxiliary Bishop for the Western Region, will be visiting our parish for a special Mass on Wednesday, February 5 at 7 pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at 5:30 pm that day. Please plan to attend.

# **Prayer Corner**

Throughout the month of January, we are focusing on Adoration prayer, which praises God for who he is and what he has done in our lives. Pope Francis emphasizes how adoration prayers can provide a new perspective and understanding in our lives:

"When one places oneself, docile and humble, before God, often one receives a specific understanding of the meaning of one's own life. It is in faithful and unwavering prayer, in adoration, that everything assumes harmony...finding in the Lord the strength and the light to put ones aims into practice according to his plans."

Please refer to the Adoration prayer card handed out at Masses last weekend or pick one up from the church entrances and take time to pray throughout the month. adobe.ly/41QYPcR



Get Involved! Put your faith into action and serve our parish community. Consider being part of one of several ministries here at Our Lady of Sorrows!

To learn about OLS Ministries, go to <a href="mailto:bit.ly/300SYJX">bit.ly/300SYJX</a>.

# January 13 to 19



Mon. †Manuel Antonio Romao by Mendes family

Tue. †Paul Blackwell by Rena Guerard

Wed. †Liam Horton by Vicky

Thu. Int. of Nadia Maia Romao by Mendes family
Fri. †Aloy Onochie by Joseph Onochie & family

**Sat**. †Katalin Szilvassy (Silvashi) by Gabor (father & son) Szilvassy, †Gloria Syposz by family

Sat. 5:15pm †Edward Winter by the Winter family

Sun. 8:00am Parish Intentions

9:30am †Earl Anselm by Mercy Anselm & family

**11:00am** †Andre Guerra by Mendes family **12:30pm** †Pio Francescutti by Maria Novais



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