



OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays (Monday-Saturday): 9:00am
Saturday Vigil: 5:15pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am*, 11:00am, 12:30pm

Adoration

Mondays 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Reconciliation

Monday: 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Saturday: 4:00pm-5:00pm

*Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)

January 28, 2024

Fr. Chris Cauchi, *Pastor*
Mr. Sarfaraz Pinto, *Permanent Deacon*
Mr. Jeremy Zou, *Transitional Deacon*
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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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www.archtoronto.org

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel, we witness Jesus' way of teaching; speaking from real life examples and parables that resonated with the everyday experiences of His listeners.

We see Jesus as more than just a teacher; He is an authoritative figure whose teachings come directly from His divine identity; setting Him apart from other religious leaders of His time.

His authority is rooted not just in knowledge but also in experience and empathy and this approach made His teachings accessible and transformative.

Reflection Questions:

- *How can I make my own faith-sharing more relatable and grounded in real life experiences?*
- *How can I discern the presence of Christ in my daily life, amidst many competing voices?*
- *In what ways can I incorporate Jesus' method of simple and clear communication of the truth into my daily interactions?*

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Bible Study at OLS: Saturdays – Feb. 24 to Mar. 23, OLS Parish Hall



You are invited to join the next OLS Bible class: **No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion**, a five-part Bible study program. The first class will take place on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am, and will finish on Saturday, Mar. 23 - just in time for Holy Week!

We will witness Christ's unconditional love and walk with Him step-by-step on his journey from agony in the garden to crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most significantly -- the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with Him today.

For more information or to register, email Susy or Jen at ministry01@sorrows.ca or call the parish office. Cost: \$40.00 (includes the resource book & 1 year online access to the session videos, workbook, etc.)



Marriage Sunday - Renewal of Vows

Each year on the second Sunday of February, we celebrate the importance of the Sacrament of Marriage and honour married couples as well as those who serve in marriage preparation and enrichment ministry. The weekend of Feb. 10/11, couples married in the Catholic Church will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment and receive a blessing.



Save the Date: OLS Pancake Tuesday Feb. 13, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

In keeping with our long standing parish tradition of celebrating Shrove Tuesday, we will be hosting a pancake supper on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Supper will feature delicious pancakes, sausages, maple syrup, blueberry compote, applesauce, juice and tea/coffee.

Tickets go on sale next weekend, Feb. 3 & 4 at the back of the church where volunteer forms will also be available. **Ticket prices are \$10 for 13 years+, \$5 for children 6-12 and free for children 5 and under.**

We hope you will join us; either to showcase your appetite as a pancake lover and/or to share your time and talent as a volunteer!

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord World Day for Consecrated Life, Friday Feb. 2

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, who are a vital and important part of the life and ministry in our Church and the archdiocese. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation. Be sure to thank them on their special day.

Feast of St. Blaise Saturday Feb. 3 at the 9:00 am Mass

The Feast of Saint Blaise is an annual Blessing of the Throats, praying for protection from afflictions of the throat and other illnesses. Saint Blaise was the Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the 4th century. He miraculously healed a boy who was choking on a fishbone. Using candles for the throat blessing stems from the candles Saint Blaise used while in prison.

Congratulations!



This Sunday as a parish community we welcomed Lorenzo who celebrated his Sacrament of Baptism at the 12:30 pm Mass.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

Make it a Date: OLS Marriage Enrichment Afternoon – Saturday Feb.10, 11:30 am to 5:00 pm

Are you a married couple at OLS? You are invited to join in a marriage enrichment afternoon on Saturday, Feb. 10, from 11:30 pm to 5:00 pm in the parish hall. The topic will be “*Nurturing Our Marriage and Strengthening Emotional Connection*”.

What can you expect? It’s like a date where you give each other the gift of time and attention. You will be seated at your own table for two, listen to practical talks and have time to discuss with your partner in private conversation. Background music ensures that you can chat in privacy.

This afternoon is open to all married couples, regardless of whether you are in the early years of your marriage or have been married for decades. Afterwards, you are invited to attend the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass. A light lunch and refreshments will be served. Participation is free of charge, but registration is required. To register, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4aZfHQP>.

Insights on Wellness - Wednesday Jan. 31 10:00 am to 11:30 am, OLS Parish Hall

Join us this coming Wednesday for the next workshop “*Living/ending well – handling pain and suffering*”. Bring a friend! To register, call or text Anne Marie at 416-559-9455.

Monthly Maintenance Update

We appreciate your ongoing support to help keep our beautiful parish in good working order. The next special monthly collection will take place next weekend, Feb. 3-4.

Along with planning for 2024 maintenance projects, the following were undertaken in the past month:

Fire System Annual Inspection: \$2,495

Bells Repair: \$374

Snow Care: \$754

Buon Appetito! OLS Parish Fundraising Dinner - Sold Out!

The third featured beneficiary is the **OLS Mental Health Initiative Group**. Launched in 2023, the group hosts workshops related to mental health and wellness, generously supported by Catholic Family Services. While topics are geared to seniors in our parish community, they are of interest to all ages. Funding will ensure that this ministry can continue to offer free monthly workshops presented by knowledgeable experts throughout the coming year.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 29 - Feb. 4

- Mon.** Int. of Beverly Storseth
Tue. Int. of Chuck & Leah Bautista
Wed. †Christine Crooks & Tanya Graham by Ursula Ghobadin
Thu. †Boguslaw Slazyk by Anna Slazyk
Fri. †Fred Kuehn by Barbara LeVasseur & Jim Harcus
Sat. Living & Deceased members of the Goseco, Valencia & Feliciano families
Sat. 5:15pm †Michele Tedesco by family
Sun. 8:00am Parish Intentions
9:30am †Joy McVeigh by John & Cynthia Wujek
11:00am †Johanna Zbogar by Zbogar family
12:30pm †B. Stefanic by O'Hara family


Blessed Palms

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