

OUR LADY OF SORROWS CHURCH

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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.)

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Anchored in Faith

The readings this Sunday call us to trust in God during difficult times. We are asked to reflect on the indispensable role of faith and trust in God when traversing the challenges and trials of life.

In the first reading, Jeremiah trusts in the Lord even though he is being plotted against. The psalm expresses hope that God will hear our prayers in times of distress. The second reading reminds us that Jesus rescued us even though we are sinners.

In the Gospel, Jesus forewarns his disciples about the trials and persecutions they will encounter as they spread his message. While acknowledging the physical risks, Jesus emphasizes that the well-being and eternal salvation of their souls holds a greater significance.

Jesus encourages his disciples -- and by extension, all believers -to place their unwavering trust in God's love and provision. Jesus assures them that God knows them intimately, valuing each person with deep compassion and care. This message serves as a reminder of the profound love and concern God has for each one of us.

Reflection Questions:

 Jesus encourages his disciples to prioritize the health and salvation of their souls above all else. How can I apply this teaching in my own life?



- When has my faith and trust in God's care helped me navigate a challenging situation?
- What steps can I take to strengthen my faith and trust in God during trials and difficulties?

June 25, 2023

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Message from Deacon Agustin Meneses

My dear brothers and sisters from Our Lady of Sorrows Parish,

I'm writing to you to share a few words after my sudden absence from the Parish.

When I first arrived at the Parish I felt very welcomed and accepted by all of you, and I was happily sharing our faith in the Lord with the community. Unfortunately, my health took a down turn and after a few months, by the suggestion of my doctor and the Archdiocese and to keep my health as stable as possible, I have decided to retire from my active ministry.

I thank all of you for your kindness, patience and understanding towards me and a special thanks to the staff and to Fr. Chris for his unconditional support.

You, the Community of Our Lady of Sorrows, will always be in my prayers!

Blessings,

Deacon Agustin Meneses

OLS Religious Education Registration for School Year 2023-2024 is now OPEN!

Children who are in Grades 1 through 7 attending non-Catholic schools and whose families are registered parishioners are encouraged to register for the classes. The program is largely volunteer-run, therefore parents are expected to assist in some way. Registration forms are available online, www.sorrows.ca.

Sunday Bulletin - This is the last printed bulletin before the summer. Announcements will be made at the end of each Mass and will be posted on the announcement boards at the doors of the church. Stay connected at www.sorrows.ca. Have a wonderful summer!

Canada Day Schedule at OLS – Monday, July 3

- Daily Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am.
- The parish office is closed and will reopen on Tuesday, July 4 at 9:30am.
- There will be no Adoration & Confessions. Resumes the following Monday, July 10, 7:00 pm to 8:30pm in the church.



Totus Tuus Summer Camp - Faith, Fun & Friendship!



Day Program for Grades 1-6 (July 10-14 / 8:45am-2:30pm) Cost of \$125

Evening Program for Grades 7-12 (July 9 to 13 / 7:00pm-9:00pm) Cost of \$25

Registration packages can be found in the back of the church or online at www.sorrows.ca. Filled out forms can be dropped off in the parish office or email totustuus@sorrows.ca.

FORMED

Growing in Faith this Summer

OLS has a free subscription you can access to "FORMED", the Catholic version of Netflix. FORMED provides excellent Catholic content including movies, e-books, audio content and programs from over 60 organizations to help you and your family explore your faith online. Take some time to check it out! Visit www.sorrows.ca or go to https://bit.ly/3r16iFV



Liturgy of the Word with Children will resume in September!

The last program before the summer break is this weekend. Thank you to the dedicated team of volunteers who have worked hard throughout the year in leading this weekly program for our young parishioners (age 4-10) at the 9:30am Mass.

The Liturgy of the Word with Children will resume on Sunday, September 10. Have a safe and happy summer!

Update on Church Maintenance and Upcoming Projects

During the past month we have:

- Continued work on refurbishment of the Sacristy and Sanctuary flooring. The terrazzo flooring in the Sacristy has been restored and work is now beginning on the Ministry Room floor (\$10,389)
- Finished waterproofing of the East side planter, which was causing water damage (\$5,277)
- Completed Spring service and maintenance of the HVAC system (\$2,394)
- Completed service on the elevator (\$1,583)
- Repaired ceiling from previous leak in front of the West side altar (volunteer)

Over the summer months, the ceiling of the parish hall will be removed and replaced. Construction work from a few years ago was found to be defective. Following discussions with the contractor, the replacement of the ceiling will be completed at no cost to the Parish.

Upcoming work planned to start this summer is the next phase of the Church Roof Project - the important repairs to the Bell Tower and areas below. There are significant issues with water seepage and damage that is affecting both the stonework on the façade and the interior walls. This has resulted in ongoing water damage to the northeast ceiling of the choir loft, the east Bloor foyer, the wood door at the east entrance to the church, and further down into the walls of the basement.

In the Fall, the OLS Building Committee will provide a detailed overview to parishioners of large maintenance and building projects being planned for 2023-2024. Each project will be assessed based on their impact to health and safety, structural/mechanical needs and overall aesthetic requirements. We will continue to be good stewards of your donations and will keep you updated.

Our monthly OLS collection to help support ongoing maintenance projects is scheduled for next weekend. Look for the special envelope in your package or use the pink envelopes at the back of the church. Please mark the offering as "Roof/Maintenance" Fund. Thank you for your ongoing care and generosity.

ORGANIX CONCERTS will present an evening concert of Renaissance, Baroque and Modern compositions here at Our Lady Sorrows on Saturday July 22. of 7:30pm, featuring internationally renowned organist Renée Anne Louprette. General Admission \$45. RCCO/CIOC \$40. Visit www.organixconcerts.ca or phone/text: 416-571-3680 for more information.



Sowing Seeds of Hope How are your beans growing? For those who took home and planted bush bean seeds, the OLS Social Justice Group would like to remind you to bring a

part of your bean harvest to any Mass the weekend of August 12/13. Our collective harvest will then be donated to the kitchen of the Good Shepherd Refuge.



Summertime Coffee Friday July 7 & August 4 after the 9am Mass. Mark your calendars!

Bring a friend and treats to share!

Mass Intentions

June 26 to July 1

| Mon. | Thanksgiving by Andrew & Joanna Freyman |
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| | †Bob & †Marg Armstrong by Ronayne O'Connor |
| Wed. | †Eleanor Treacy by Patricia & Ed Leen |
| Thurs. | †Arthur O'Connor by Ursula Matthews |
| Fri. | †Tony Barbuto by Kevin Fioravanti & Diana Ciccale |
| Sat | †Mike Palozzi by Sabrina Monteiro & Michael Gagliano |
| Sat. 5:15pm Parish Intentions | |
| Sun. 8 | 8am †Gabriella & †Filiberto Galli by Pia & Aurelia Galli |
| 9:30a | am †Numeriano Chua by family |
| 11:00a | m †Denis Guerard by Rena Guerard |
| 12:30 | pm †Elisa Ong by family |

