

### **OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH**

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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

March 16, 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

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#### **Second Sunday of Lent**



In the Gospel, Jesus is transfigured, revealing His divine nature to His disciples. This moment of glory reminds us that suffering is not the end of the story, but that we should trust in God's greater plan. We often miss it because we are focused on ourselves. When we open our hearts to God, His glory shines through us.

The disciples were terrified yet also filled with awe at this revelation of Jesus' glory. We too fear the unknown or struggle to comprehend God's plan. Yet, the voice from Heaven calls us to listen to Jesus. Through quiet prayer, we learn to truly hear Him and follow His guidance.

#### Reflection questions:

- How can I trust in God's promises more fully in my life?
- In what ways can I reflect God's light to others?
- How can I open my heart to God's work in my life?

#### Feast of St. Patrick - March 17



After the 9:00 am Mass, join us in the parish hall for refreshments. Bring a treat to share! Enjoy Irish coffee, tea & scones.

#### Feast of St. Joseph - March 19

Pray with us for nine days starting Wednesday, March 19 at 8:45 am.



#### **Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

On Tuesday, March 25, we will have an Act of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary at the 9:00 am Mass. This is a unique and grace-filled opportunity. Please take time to learn more:

- Marian Triduum: bit.ly/4izRVOa
- Cardinal Leo's message: bit.ly/3Fw70Sz
- FAQs and other resources: bit.ly/4httCjT

# Bundle Weekend — March 29 & 30 From 8:30 am until 6:00 pm each day, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking lot to collect gently-used items in support of our neighbours in need. They only accept: clothing, footware and bedding (any

items in support of our neighbours in need. They only accept: clothing, footware and bedding (any condition), drapery/towels and toys (new only). Volunteers will be present at each Mass to help load your items.

Stations of the Cross is a way to pray and meditate on Christ's sacrifice for us. Join us every Friday of Lent, at 9:30 am and 7:30 pm.



# Parish Lenten Mission Mary: A Sure Sign of Hope Saturday, March 29 | 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Join us for a day of reflection and renewal as Dr. Josephine 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.

Attendance is free of charge, but free-will offerings are appreciated. Lunch available for \$15 for those who RSVP by March 23 at <a href="mailto:office@sorrows.ca">office@sorrows.ca</a>.

#### **FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

Mom's Group: Pray & Play — March 18 From 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the parish hall.

#### Family Movie Afternoon — March 22

Join us to watch **The Prince of Egypt (1998)** by DreamWorks. Learn about Moses and the Ten Commandments. (Rated PG / Parental Guidance advised). We open the parish hall opens at 2:30pm. Movie starts at 3:00pm. Free admission and free popcorn!

#### Parent's Small Group — March 26

5:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Light dinner and childcare provided. Register at <a href="https://bit.ly/3YYnlpp">bit.ly/3YYnlpp</a>

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

If you have lost a child during pregnancy or shortly after birth, you and your family members are invited to participate in this Mass. For your child to be remembered by name and for a candle to be lit in their memory, submit their name at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/3WpzUK0">bit.ly/3WpzUK0</a>. You can also drop off an

at <a href="bit.ly/3WpzUK0">bit.ly/3WpzUK0</a>. You can also drop off an envelope with your child's name in the rectory marked "March 31, Memorial Mass." We hope you can be part of this time of remembrance. All are welcomed.

Attention young adults ages 19-39!

The Office of Catholic Youth is hosting a Young Adult Ministry Night known as Spiritus Ministry on March 29 from 7 to 9 pm at Our Lady of Sorrows. The evening will feature an inspiring talk, followed by a fun social with young adults from across the archdiocese. Don't miss out on this amazing event! Follow @spiritusministry on Instagram for updates. We can't wait to see you there!

A Pancake Supper to Remember! Thank you to all parishioners who bought a ticket to join in the festivities. To our team of 45+ volunteers, thank you for your enthusiasm,



time and talents to make this long standing tradition a fun and memorable evening. And to our donors, your support helped cover our food costs. We are delighted to report that \$1,618.34 was raised for OLS Family Life Ministry.

#### **Curious about life's big questions?**

Join us for Alpha starting Tuesday, April 1, at 6:45 pm in the parish hall. Alpha is a great way to explore faith, ask questions, and connect with others. All are welcome — whether you're new to faith or looking to grow deeper. Program and meals are free. Email <a href="mailto:alpha@sorrows.ca">alpha@sorrows.ca</a> for any questions or to register.

#### Praying the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady A Special Prayer for Children — April 8

Our Family Life Ministry warmly invites children and their families to join us from 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the church. Families interested in helping us create these reflections are encouraged to email Angelica at familylife@sorrows.ca.

#### Save the Dates!

All-Day Confessions: April 5

**Totus Tuus Summer Camp**: July 6 to July 11. Email totustuus@sorrows.ca for information.

#### OLS Tenebrae service - Tuesday, April 15

Tenebrae, meaning Darkness, was written by Monsignor John Edward Ronan — principal founder of Toronto's St. Michael's Choir School. Tenebrae conveys the sorrow of Holy Week through solemn and noble music. This year's presentation will feature the MOSAIC Canadian Vocal Ensemble, Alumni of St. Michael's Choir School and members of the Our Lady of Sorrows adult choir, led by our Music Director, Gordon Mansell.



# You extend the hands of Christ to those in need

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$512,000.00. Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

#### **Prayer Corner**

We continue our focus this month on the third type of prayer, Intercession. Intercession prayers ask for God's help for others, seeking God's blessings on their behalf. There are many examples of intercessory prayers in the bible. We can use scriptural references to help frame our prayers for others, for example:

#### Prayer for healing:

"Lord, please bring healing to [person's name] as you healed the sick in the time of Jesus." (Mark 1:32-34)

#### Prayer for those in leadership:

"Dear God, please grant that petitions, prayers and intercession be made for all people in authority, so that we may live peaceful and quiet lives." (Timothy 2:1-2)

Pick up an Intercession prayer card at the church entrances and make time to pray every day. Access the online version at: https://bit.ly/3D65m9z

#### **Jubilee Indulgences at Our Lady of Sorrows**

As a designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Site, a person can obtain a plenary indulgence at OLS. An indulgence is the remission of temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven, granted through acts of prayer, penance, and charity. To obtain the Jubilee Indulgence, participants must engage in activities such as attending Holy Mass, the Way of the Cross, or Eucharistic Adoration at our parish, along with going to Confession, receiving Holy Communion, and praying for the Pope's intentions. Details at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/43ATgjp">bit.ly/43ATgjp</a>

# -Mass Intentions

#### March 17 to 23

Mon. †Nano Carroll by Carroll family

Tue. †Paul R. Larkin by Parente & Manion family

**Wed.** †Peter Michael Grossi by family **Thu.** †Mary Duggan Ashbee by family

**Fri.** Deceased of Almasi family by Maria Goncalves **Sat**. †Leslie Sharples by Catherine & Joe Mallia

Sat. 5:15pm †Frank Ferkul Jr. by Fatoumata Kebe

**Sun. 8:00am** Deceased members of Gilligan, Mahon, Norton and Carroll families by Carroll family

9:30am †Parish Intentions

**11:00am** †Vitorino Goncalves by Maria Tita

Goncalves & family

12:30pm †Jadwiga Beldycka by Daniela Muenz



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