

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

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Mass ScheduleAdorationReconciliationWeekdays (Monday-Saturday): 9:00amMondays 7:00pm - 8:30pmMonday: 7:00pm - 8:30pmSaturday Vigil: 5:15pmSaturday: 4:00pm-5:00pmSaturday: 4:00pm-5:00pmSunday: 8:00am, 9:30am*, 11:00am, 12:30pm*Children's Liturgy of the Word (ages 4-10 yrs.)

March 3, 2024

Fr. Chris Cauchi, *Pastor* Mr. Sarfaraz Pinto, *Permanent Deacon* Mr. Jeremy Zou, *Transitional Deacon* Elise Lee, *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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Third Sunday of Lent

explore life faith meaning

WHAT IS ALPHA?

Alpha is a multi-week course that provides a safe space to ask questions about life, faith and meaning in a friendly environment. Alpha participants come from all walks of life to meet weekly and share a meal, watch an engaging video on various topics, and have a group discussion.



COME AND SEE

If you are interested and curious, come and experience the first Alpha night.

If you don't enjoy the first night, at least you will have enjoyed a good meal and connected with people in the parish community!

WHEN AND WHERE?

Our next Alpha group will meet on Tuesdays, beginning April 2nd, from 6:45 to 8:45pm in the Parish Hall.

For more information and <u>registration</u> scan the QR code or email: alpha@sorrows.ca Program and meals are free. Registration recommended for meal preparation.



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION - SCRUTINIES

This Sunday at the 9:30am Mass, we celebrate the first of the three scrutinies.

The three scrutinies are celebrated during Lent and are designated to help "the Elect," those participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), prepare to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Communion at Easter. Our RCIA candidates are: Sharon, Clayton, Susan, Leanne, Jane, Jonemichael, Rohan, Marcus, Ashley, Joonsuk, John, Janika, David, Alicia, Vaibhav, Charlotte and Ifeyinwa.

The scrutinies are rites of conversion and repentance. Though the word "scrutinize" sounds negative, its true meaning is simply "to see clearly or inspect closely." During the scrutinies, the community prays for the candidates to be protected from temptation and be drawn closer to Christ.

First Scrutiny: This weekend of the first Scrutiny, the Gospel is about the Samaritan Woman at the well. Jesus asks her for some water, but he also offers her living water, promising eternal life.

The Elect desire a new life through Christ in greater fullness. For those of us who are already Catholic, the scrutinies are an opportunity to experience the same gift of renewal of life from God.

Please continue to pray for our Elect as well as our baptized candidate, Ifeyinwa, who is seeking her full initiation this Easter Vigil. May they continue to grow in their faith and love for God.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

Second Collection this weekend is for our Parish Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your continued support.



Use TipTap Pay when lighting votive candles or donating to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. This is an easy alternative to cash, simply tap your debit, credit

card or your smart phone on the pre-set amount on the display. You will hear a quiet beep which indicates your payment was processed/received. The TipTap Pay display is located by the main door of the church and by the east side altar.

Parish Registration & Donation Envelopes

If you are new to the parish, welcome! We invite you to register and fill out the parish registration form available at the back of the church. If you are currently registered with the parish and there are changes with your personal information, kindly inform the parish office to update the parish database. This ensures that we have your complete information for donation receipts and sacramental requests. Remember to pick up your 2024 Donation Envelopes available at all entrances to the church. Kindly write your information on your first few envelopes.

MEMORABLE PANCAKE SUPPER!

On Shrove Tuesday, over 200 parishioners and friends came together in the parish hall to enjoy the tradition of a pancake supper. The energy and camaraderie of our community coming together was uplifting for all. To those who joined us, thank you for being part of this cherished parish event. To those who were unable to come, we invite you to partake next year.

Deepest thanks to our amazing crew of 45 volunteers who enthusiastically shared their time and talents which made the event delicious, fun and memorable!

A total of \$1,359 was raised for OLS Totus Tuus Summer Camp.

Save the Date! Totus Tuus Summer Camp Day Camp (Gr. 1-6): Monday, Jul. 8 - Friday, Jul. 12 **Evening Program** (Gr. 7-12): Sunday, Jul. 7 - Thursday, Jul. 11 More details to come.

"The passion of Jesus is a sea of sorrows, but it is also an ocean of love. Ask the Lord to teach you to fish in this ocean." - St. Paul of the Cross

SEASON OF LENT

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday March 23 at 5:15 pm (Vigil Mass) March 24 at 8:00 am, 9:30 am (No Children's Liturgy of the Word with Children), 11:00 am and 12:30 pm

Holy Monday - March 25 9:00 am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm - Adoration & Confessions

Holy Tuesday – March 26 9:00 am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

Holy Wednesday – March 27 9:00 am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

Holy Thursday – March 28 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Altar of Repose in the parish hall from 8:30 pm to midnight

Good Friday – March 29 Celebration of the Lord's Passion 12:00 pm and 3:00 pm Church will be open for private prayer until 8:00 pm

Easter Vigil – March 30 at 8:00 pm Easter Sunday – March 31 8:00 am, 9:30 am (no Children's Liturgy of the Word with Children), 11:00 am and 12:30 pm

> Additional seating available during Holy Week in the parish hall.

As part of our Holy Week observances **TENEBRAE** will once again be presented on Tuesday, Mar. 26, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm in the church. Tenebrae, meaning darkness, is a moving experience that conveys the sorrow of Holy Week through solemn and noble music and scripture. Under the direction of Music Director, Gordon our Mansell. MOSAIC, our OLS Adult choir and the alumni of St. Michael's Choir School will sing the responsories that were composed bv Monsignor John Edward Ronan, principal founder of Toronto's St. Michael's Choir School. Free will offerings welcome.

The **Hallow App** offers prayers, reflective music, morning & evening routines, Bible in a Year and more! It's not too late to join the Lent Pray40: He Leadeth Me challenge. Visit: <u>https://hallow.com/pray40/</u>

After Lent, you can choose to continue to use the app or cancel. The app will automatically renew for \$9.99 US/ month or \$69.99 US/year – minus a 20% discount. You will receive an email from Hallow prior to the automatic renewal.



Living Faith Series

Week 3: Ongoing Formation Visit https://bit.ly/3OZruFg to watch the video.

BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVDP) truck will be in the church parking lot this weekend until 6:00 pm on Sunday. Please drop your gently used items in support of



our neighbours in need in our community. SSVDP welcomes clothing (Including coats, shoes and boots), linens, towels, drapes and toys (new only). Please note: we can NOT accept appliances, furniture, mattresses, dishes, books, cassettes or video tapes or construction materials. Volunteers will be present before and after all Masses this weekend to help you load your items.

March 4 to 10

- -Mass Intentions-
- Mon. †Susanna Edith Sutherland by Cathy Sbrola
- Tue.†Harry Hodson by Gordon & Inis Mansell
- Wed. Int. of the Bellissimo family by Cathy & Franca Tigani
- Thu. †Bill Craig by Jim & Winnie Magee
- Fri. †Bruno Campese by Inis and Gordon Mansell
- Sat. †Alexandra Emma Giovenco by Vince Giovenco & family
- **Sat. 5:15pm** †William C. Schreiner by Lori & Wayne
- Sun. 8:00am Parish Intentions
 - 9:30am Int. of Luisa McKee by family
 - **11:00am** †Jamie Bookman by family
 - 12:30pm †Michele Leone by Daniella Paiano

