



# OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

*An Ever-Growing Beacon of God's Love, Hope and Joy for All*

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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\*  
\*Includes Liturgy of the Word with Children  
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

November 30, 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. Please email [baptism@sorrows.ca](mailto:baptism@sorrows.ca)

**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/ourladyofsorrows](http://www.tcdsb.org/ourladyofsorrows)

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## 1st Sunday of Advent



The Sunday is a time of waiting and hope. We look forward to Jesus coming again, and we remember His birth in Bethlehem. Advent reminds us to be ready, not just for Christmas, but for the day when Christ will return. It is a season to pray, watch, and live in the light of the Lord. The readings for this Sunday speak about peace, joy, and staying awake.

This first week of Advent calls us to turn to God with open hearts. We are invited to walk in His light and live with hope. Each day is a chance to love God and others as we wait for His coming. Advent is a gift to help us slow down, pray, and prepare for Jesus with joy.

### Reflection Questions:

- *How can I renew my faith this Advent season through small, daily practices?*
- *What does preparing for Christ's coming mean to me personally this Advent?*
- *How can I make time each day to connect with God, even in a busy season?*

Find readings here: [readings.livingwithchrist.ca](http://readings.livingwithchrist.ca)

### A message from His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo

"My Dear Brothers and Sisters, I am writing to you in anticipation of the upcoming season of Advent, a blessed time of waiting, expectation, and preparation for the coming of Christ and for the annual celebration of his Birth..." Read more at: [bit.ly/4agVoQN](https://bit.ly/4agVoQN)

## Support Our Parish with a Simple Tap

We've added a new Tip Tap Pay stand for parish donations in the main foyer (northwest side). To receive a tax receipt, scan the parish QR code after your first tap and register your card — just once. Each tap donates the amount shown. Tap more times to increase. This is a convenient, cashless, and secure way to give. Thank you for your continued generosity!

## Coffee Friday - moved to Friday, Dec. 12

Please note that our get-together has been moved to the date above, from 9:30 - 11:30 am. We will see you then! Bring a treat to share.

## Please support the Society of St Vincent de Paul Christmas fund

Help us put food on the table for families-in-need this Christmas by making a donation of cash or gift cards (PC or Walmart, \$25 preferred). Place your donation in an envelope marked SSVDP Christmas Campaign with your receipt and contact information in the collection basket or drop it off at the Rectory office. Tax receipts are available. Cheques must be made out to "Society of St Vincent de Paul". E-transfer via [ols.ssvdp.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ols.ssvdp.treasurer@gmail.com) and include your name & address in the message area. Contact [olschristmas@gmail.com](mailto:olschristmas@gmail.com) or 647-770-4805 for assistance. Thank you for sharing your Christmas spirit!

## Spirit of Welcome

As Advent season arrives, we invite everyone to share your spirit of welcome to all by making room in the pews.

## Advent Day of Confessions - Saturday, December 20, 2025

Priests will be available each hour, from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. In addition to English-language confession by all priests, a number of priests are also available to hear confessions in other languages.

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9:30 am to 11:00 am — Parish hall | Fr. Martin Pereira                                    | Fr. Antoine Badr *French, Italian, Arabic                         |
| 11:00 am to 1:00 pm — Parish hall | Fr. Carlos Sierra Tobon<br>*Swahili, Spanish, Italian | Fr. Jan Kolodynski *French, Italian, Polish                       |
| 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm — Church       | Fr. John Vetere                                       | Msgr. David Reilander                                             |
| 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm — Church       | Msgr. Joseph Shiels                                   | Fr. Nino Cavoto<br>Fr. John Abad *Italian, Filipino, some Spanish |

\*Languages spoken in addition to English

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

**Dec. 6/7: Christmas for the Poor** - This collection benefits the Canadian Food for Children and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Your gift is greatly appreciated!

**Dec. 13/14: Parish Maintenance Fund** - Thank you for your support in taking care of our spiritual home.

## FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY

**Advent Celebration** - Saturday, Dec. 6, 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Parish hall. Join us in joyful preparation for the Advent season! Enjoy craft activities for children, a sing-along, hot chocolate, and cookies.

**Mom's Group: Pray & Play** - Tuesday, Dec. 16, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Parish hall meeting room.

**Christmas Pageant** - Wednesday, Dec. 24, 4:00 - 4:50 pm.



In the church. Featuring young members of our parish joined by the OLS Children's Choir in sharing the beauty of the Christmas story.

Questions? Email Angelica: [familylife@sorrows.ca](mailto:familylife@sorrows.ca)

## "In Yonder Stall" Christmas Concert

**Tuesday, Dec. 16, 7:00 pm, in the church**

This year's Christmas concert is in support of the Out-of-the-Cold program, administered by our neighbours at All Saints Kingsway. Last year's concert raised over \$15,000, which went to helping those facing homelessness, loneliness and food insecurity. Join us to sing Christmas carols and hear seasonal music performed by our own choirs, MOSAIC Canadian Vocal Ensemble, the ODIN Quartet, Trumpeter Michael Barth and our Music Director. Free admission, donations are welcomed (over \$20 will be tax receipted).



**2026 OLS Fundraising Gala Dinner**  
**Friday, Feb. 6, 2026,**  
**at Le Treport Banquet Hall**

Over the last 2 weeks, we have sold over 50 tickets for the OLS Fundraising Gala Dinner. This event's proceeds will benefit both the Angel Foundation for Learning and the upkeep of our spiritual home. We are also looking for auction donations for the gala. We would love to hear from you! Visit this QR code ([bit.ly/4ozwhwW](https://bit.ly/4ozwhwW)), our digital sign at the back of the church, or our parish website. For more information: [events@sorrows.ca](mailto:events@sorrows.ca)



**Prices**

Adult (19+): \$190 (\$50 will be tax receipted)  
Youth (11-18 y.o.): \$60  
Child (4-10 y.o.): \$30

**New Hymnals Coming in 2026 -  
Donate a Lasting Gift**



Our parish will be replacing our current paperback hymnals with Gather IV in 2026. These hardcover, high-quality editions are a durable upgrade and will serve our parish for the next 10–15 years. Parishioners are invited to donate a hymnal for \$60. Each hymnal will include a bookplate recognizing the donor's name or may be dedicated in memory of a loved one. Donors who prefer may also remain anonymous.

To participate, please use the envelopes available in the church. Include your name and contact information together with your donation. Once the parish office receives your gift, you will be sent a Microsoft Forms link where you can submit the names to be printed on the bookplate. For credit card donations or other assistance, please contact the parish office directly. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. Thank you for helping enrich our parish worship with this enduring gift.

Get a head-start on parish events  
using our **3-month-calendar**:

[bit.ly/3VbpNHF](https://bit.ly/3VbpNHF)



**2026 Pilgrimage to Greece, Turkey, Malta & Italy**

Join Fr. Chris and OLS parishioners for a 15-day spiritual journey, Sept 23–Oct 7, 2026. Explore sacred sites, deepen faith, and enjoy fellowship aboard the Enchanted Princess cruise. Price: \$6,190. For more information, visit [bit.ly/4oS84Se](https://bit.ly/4oS84Se) or contact Halina at 647-294-4116.

**MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE GROUP**

On Monday, Dec. 22, from 10:00 - 11:30 am, all are warmly invited to the **MHI Christmas Social** following the morning Mass. This will be a relaxed, social gathering to celebrate community and the joy of connecting with others during the Christmas season. Those who wish may take part in a fun \$10 wrapped gift exchange. Holiday snacks, sweets, coffee, and tea will be provided by our team. You're welcome to bring a favourite treat to share. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Thanks to your support, we have earned a total of \$365,816 out of our goal of \$512,000 for **ShareLife!** That is 71.45% of our goal, and your generosity is deeply appreciated.



Now, until Dec. 31, your donations will go twice as far, as every donation up to \$500,000 will be matched! Support via a ShareLife envelope, our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate) (Under "How would you like to direct your gift?", select *Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke*).

**Mass Intentions**  
**FOR THE WEEK**

**December 1 to 7**

- Mon.** †Maggie Kannampuzha Varghese by Luciana Conte  
**Tue.** †Deceased members of Vogtle & Farrugia families by family  
**Wed.** †Barbara Wade by Maxine Cramp  
**Thu.** Intentions of Genevieve Chua by family  
**Fri.** †Vittoria Della Camera by Cristina, Paolo & Stefano Della Camera  
**Sat.** †Gary Traer by the Traer family  
**Sat. 5:15 pm** †Frank & †Mary Ferkul by Anne Pohole  
**Sun. 8:00 am** Parish Intentions  
**9:30 am** †Esterina & †Modestino Viola by family  
**11:00 am** †Maria Comceicao Goncalves by family  
**12:30 pm** †Barbara Hansel Oratowska by Dariuz Hansel



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