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Celebration of The Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Thursday: 12:00 noon

Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month
By appointment only.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance.
An approved preparation course is mandatory.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – May 18, 2025



May 20th - May 24th

Tuesday - Roderick MacPhee †
Wednesday - Gerald Murray †
Thursday - Saint Arnaud Family †
Friday - Nina Mendonca †
Saturday - Mary Fernando †

READINGS FOR – May 25th

1st Reading: Acts 15.1-2, 22-29
2nd Reading: Revelation 21.10-14, 22-23
Gospel: John 14.23-29



PAPAL CHARITIES

Second Collection May 25th

This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. One-third of the funds collected is for what is traditionally known as Peter's Pence: donations used by the Pope for his charitable contributions to those most in need. Two-thirds is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the universal Church.

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ShareLife Sunday is June 8th and we call upon your compassionate hearts to support ShareLife. Through your love, Catholic agencies bring the hands of Christ to the most vulnerable members of our community. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

The Word This Week

"I give you a new commandment ... Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

Knowing his time was limited and that his hour had come, Jesus spoke directly to the heart of the matter. It was a simple commandment: "Love one another." This commandment, "love one another", is to be the guiding light of the community of believers after Pentecost - it is the risen Lord's parting gift to his Church. It was not the first time Jesus had spoken about love. Jesus had offered clear instructions about loving God – above all else. He taught about loving neighbour, loving enemies and doing good to those who inflicted harm. He had been very direct about refusing to hate or seek revenge.

Is it even possible to truly love someone who has trespassed against us or someone we hold dear? What is the best way to be loving, fair and kind. We might consider the Gospel for the Third Sunday of Easter as an example, where Jesus offered Peter a way back from betrayal. Surely the life of Jesus can guide us. With God's grace, we can learn to trust the Spirit's quiet inner voice. Listening attentively, we can carefully make our way through times of confusion and struggle to become more faithful disciples. Jesus promises, "See, I am making all things new."

It is never too late to mend. Begin today to take a true Christian interest in the spiritual fate of your family and neighbors. Where words have already failed perhaps, try prayer and example. The grace of God will cooperate with your sincere, charitable effort.

"During the month of May we seek the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of Hope, and ask her to help us see with the eyes of faith and devotion: the beauty and splendour of God in our midst and in the world. I encourage you to take the time to get to know Our Lady better by reading about her, talking to her, seeking her help and celebrating with us on 31 May at Villanova College."

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo



HAPPY VICTORIA DAY!! The office
will be closed on
Monday, May 19th. Enjoy and have a
safe weekend to all.



LEGION OF MARY LIVING ROSARY



The Legion of Mary would like to invite you to our Living Rosary, Flower Offering and Crowning of Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, May 31st at 5:30 p.m. (immediately after the 4:30 p.m. Mass). May is the month of Our Blessed Mother and the month of flowers. Let us honour and venerate Our Blessed Mother Mary and show our great love and devotion to Her through the recitation of the Holy Rosary and flower offering for Her intentions and the intentions of our Church.

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Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to St. Vincent de Paul. Your contributions will assist so many in need.

Catholic Women's League St. Philip Neri's Table

May 31st & June 1st

The CWL will be collecting non-perishable food items for St. Philip Neri's Table/ Food Program. They are most in need of pasta, canned tuna, soups, corn, rice, dry or canned beans and tomato sauce. Any and all non-perishable items are most appreciated too. This program is an outreach mission located in North York intended to help alleviate the food insecurity crisis affecting families in Toronto and surrounding areas. Collection boxes will be located in the foyer and the hall of our Church. Thank you for your generous contributions.



BOOK BARROW

The Legion of Mary's Book Barrow will run after all Masses on May 31st/June 1st.

This is your opportunity to borrow faith-filled and inspiring books.

Magnificat Meal Saturday May 31 2025 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. St. Benedict Parish Hall 2194 Kipling Ave. Etobicoke, ON Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Join our Mary, Cause of our Joy, Toronto Chapter for our 50th Magnificat Breakfast. Treat your mother, sister, colleague or friend to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker. Priests are available for women wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Guest Speaker: Debra McMillan

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