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WEEKLY BULLETIN

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PASTOR

Fr. Nicola Defina

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday | 5pm Sunday | 8:30am; 10am & 11:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday | 8am

Wednesday 7pm with Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary begins at 6:30pm

Magnificat Charismatic Prayer Group (Polish) Thursday 7:30pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Sunday after the 11:30am Mass Register three months in advance

Marriage

Contact the Pastor one year in advance

Reconciliation

Wednesday - 6pm to 7pm Saturday - 4pm to 5pm or call to arrange a time

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office for arrangements

Eucharistic Adoration

Every first Friday of the month following the 8am Mass

Devotions

First Friday and Saturday 8am

Scriptural Rosary

Friday 6:30 pm

MINISTRIES

Altar Servers | Altar Society Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers Hospitality | Ushers Lectors | Readers Music | Choir

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

R.C.I.A. R.C.I.C. Adult Faith Study Movie Night Finance Council Quilters' Club

NEW	PARISHIONERS	WELCOME
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Address:			Jnit/Apt.:
City:	Postal Code:	Phone:	
Weekly Offering Envelopes	New Parishioner	Change of Address	☐ Moving Out of Parish

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK Sat † Cecilia Juarez Gomez 8 am Apr 26 (Olivia Yanez) † Chloe Rosatelli 5 pm (The Family) **Special Intentions for** Sun 8:30 am Pat Galardo & Family Apr 27 (Anna Maria Cerullo) † Stefan & Daniel Paklos 10 am (The Lecznar Family) **PRO POPULO** 11:30 am Mon † Glen Hickey 8 am Apr 28 (S. Suppa) Tue † Russell Butch 8 am Apr 29 (Mary) Wed † Edward & Pooi Ayoung Chee 7 pm Apr 30 (From Daughters) Thυ † Carla Suppa 8 am May 1 (S. Suppa) Fri † John & Josephine Walshe 8 am May 2 (Patricia & Robert) Sat † Almario & Rufina Manuel 8 am May 3 (The Manuel Family) † Jan Chokota 5 pm (Mila & Paul) Sun 8:30 am **PRO POPULO** May 4 † Teofila & Joseph Lecznar 10 am (The Lecznar Family) **Special Intentions for** 11:30 am Toni Mancini (Anna Maria Cerullo)

Behind locked doors

The first Christians were victims of state terrorism. The sudden arrest and death of Jesus provoked a climate of fear and apprehension among the apostles. They assemble inside a locked roomprobably that of the Last Supper. The terror is so great that one apostle, Thomas, was reluctant to approach them even in seclusion. The locks are

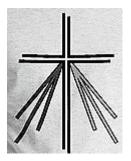


not only on the doors but in their minds and faith. Jesus breaks through with a powerful witness of love and gives them power to unlock souls as well as portals.

(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

Feast of the Divine Mercy

Please join us this Sunday April 27th as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday; devotions will begin @ 3 pm. "I shall sing forever the Lord's mercy." (Ps 89 [88]) Between 1930 and 1938 Christ appeared to Sister Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. She was canonized on April 30, 2000, the Sunday after Easter,



the Feast of Divine Mercy. On Good Friday, 1937, Jesus requested that Blessed Faustina make a special novena before the Feast of Mercy, from Good Friday through the following Saturday. He gave her a chaplet to be recited and said that it was appropriate to pray the chaplet at three o'clock each afternoon (the Hour of Great Mercy).

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday of the month May 2, 2025
Following the 8 am Mass
Rosary at 7: 30am.
Adoration concludes with Holy Mass
Saturday morning May 3, 2025 @ 8 am
Come. See. Hear. Encounter.
Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

Serra Vocation

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. **Email vocations@archtoronto.org**

You ensure a brighter future for at-risk children

As many as 7,000 youth are homeless across Canada on any given night. Covenant House, an agency you support through ShareLife, provides a refuge for at-risk youth. They offer safe housing alongside healthcare, education, and employment guidance.

The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is May 4. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel!

First Eucharist & Confirmation at St. Leo's Church

Our children are preparing to receive First Eucharist and Confirmation. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place on the following times: Sunday May 4th, Sunday May 11th, and Sunday May 18th always at the 11:30 am Mass. The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on



Sunday June $1^{\rm st}$ and Sunday June $8^{\rm th}$ also at the 11:30 am Mass. Please keep our youth in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their upcoming Sacraments.

Easter Thanks Everyone!

We are blessed with wonderful celebration during Holy Week! The preparation and celebration of the various events during the Lenten Season involves much planning and preparation. We thank everyone involved. All our volunteers are appreciated, they selflessly serve our parish community with their unique gifts and abilities and we



thank all who took part in our liturgies making them celebrations of faith. A very special and sincere THANKS to all our parishioners and friends for their presence, prayers and support! God Bless You All!

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:
Patrick Leane, Leonora Vergara,
And for the souls of the deceased especially:

Matthew Fusaro

Communion for the homebound upon request, anointing of the sick with the seriously ill, or those undergoing surgery.

Please call the Parish office.

A Day with Mary 2025

This FREE outdoor event is taking place Saturday, May 31 on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Villanova College in King City. There will be food, music, fellowship, and Holy Mass celebrated by our Archbishop, His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo. For more information and to register, visit archtoronto.org/mary.

On Saturday, May 10th, 2025, join us at Queens Park in the largest city in



the country and stand united with the pro-life movement against the injustice of abortion

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of May Is offered by Joan Chisholm for: Special Intentions And in remembrance of husband Pat Chisholm

Envelope #205

Parishioner currently using envelope number #205 please contact the parish office @ 416-251-1109 and speak with the parish secretary. We have no name attached to this number. Thank you.

Friday May 3rd 2025 Movie Night in the parish hall featuring: "The Shoes of the Fisherman" @ 7 pm

Welcome to the Faith, RCIA Candidates

We welcome our candidates; we are delighted that you have chosen to journey in faith with our parish community through the RCIA process, this is a time of grace for all of us as we pray and learn together.



From left to right:
Dawson, Jay Wallace, Shamira, Bishop Camilleri, Cole
Canaday, Ayesha Canaday & Brenda Barboza

The 2025 Jubilee of Young People

The Church invites all Catholics to celebrate the Jubilee of Young People in the summer of 2025, to which young adults ages 18-35 are particularly invited. This special moment during the Holy Year is an opportunity for young people to travel to Rome or celebrate



stateside for an experience of transformation and hope.

Pilgrimage to Guadalupe October 9 – 20, 2025

The pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, is a major, religious and cultural event for many Catholics, it gathers people from all walks of life to express their faith and devotion to the Virgin of Guadalupe and seek her intercession and blessings. More information is available for interested parishioners on the cabinets at the back of the church.

Easter Season

The Easter season begins on the evening of Easter Sunday and continues for fifty days, ending on the evening of Pentecost Sunday. The eight days following Easter are observed as the Octave of



Easter. The fifty days between Easter and Pentecost are a time of joy and thanksgiving for what Christ has done for humanity. The paschal candle is in a prominent place in the sanctuary of the church and is lit for all liturgical celebrations.

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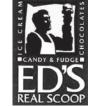
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