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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

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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

Name:Address:		Email: Unit/Apt.:	
Weekly Offering Envelopes	New Parishioner	Change of Address	☐ Moving Out of Parish

ALPHA and **OMEGA**

The Book of Revelation ends with a promise from Jesus that he will return from heaven. He calls Himself, "the Alpha and the Omega." These are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. So, He is the cause and the goal of all creation. The very end of the book is the phrase, "Maranatha". This is an Aramaic phrase that means, "Come Lord." It is the believers' response to

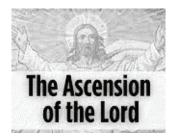


(The Family)

Jesus' promise. (Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

40 Days after Easter

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Ascension forty days after Easter. This Holy day commemorates Christ's Ascension into Heaven from Mount Olivet 40 days after He rose from the dead. After the Gospel the Paschal Candle, lit from the New Fire of the Easter Vigil, is



extinguished to symbolize the departure of Christ. Today marks the beginning of a very solemn period for the Church with a feast ranked as a solemnity celebrated on each of the next four Sundays. After today, there is Pentecost Sunday June 8^{th} , the Most Holy Trinity Sunday June 15^{th} and the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sunday June 22^{nd} .

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday of the month June 6, 2025
Following the 8 am Mass
Rosary at 7: 30am.
Adoration concludes with Holy Mass
Saturday morning June 7, 2025 @ 8 am
Come. See. Hear. Encounter.
Experience the Real Presence of Jesus

Serra Vocation

The Lord said, "...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

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Pilgrimage to Guadalupe Oct 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.

June: A Month Full of Heart

We welcome June as that time of year that signals a pause in regular schedules, and offers instead revitalizing summer activities; it's also the month our Church dedicates to the Sacred Heart of Jesus! We have some very rich and beautiful devotions to the Sacred Heart and practiced all over the world. Love has



always been associated with the heart, so it is only natural that the love of God became represented by a heart, the heart of his Son Jesus. In Him God revealed His infinite love for us.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish:

Patrick Leane,

And for the souls of the deceased especially: Adelina Verdone, John D'Ambrosio

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

Confirmations

This Sunday June 1st and next Sunday June 8th at the 11:30 am Mass, our children, joined by their family and friends, will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the special strength of the Holy Spirit. Our



young people who are being confirmed are signs of hope and renewal for the Church. Keep these young people in your hearts and your prayers that they may become strong and courageous Christians.

Planning to be a Catholic Teacher?

It is critical for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic school board in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you (or if your adult child) is planning to apply to teach in a Catholic school, it is highly recommended that you have a conversation with Fr. Nick early in the process and you will avoid disappointment and stress at the time when applications are to be submitted.

Relics of Saint Anthony

Saturday, June 7, 10 am - Sunday, June 15, 5 pm Various Parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto

This year the June 13 St. Anthony Days are starting from Saturday, June 7 to Sunday June 15. Franciscan Friar Father Alessandro Ratti from the Pontifical Basilica of Saint Anthony in Padua, Italy, will bring two, first class relics from our Saint's Basilica to the Archdiocese of Toronto. Father Alessandro Ratti will visit various churches in the Toronto area. For more information please take a look at the poster on the bulletin board in the entrance of our church.

The Spiritual Meaning of the Jubilee

At the heart of the Jubilee lies the concept of the plenary indulgence, which represents the complete remission of sins for the faithful who fulfill certain conditions: sacramental confession, participation in the Eucharist, prayer according to the Pope's intentions, and performing a work of mercy or a



pilgrimage. This time also serves as an invitation for personal conversion and reconciliation with God and others. The faithful are encouraged to renew their faith, deepen their prayer life, and engage in acts of charity towards those in need.

The month of June the sanctuary lamp is offered by:

Rosalo & Lourdes Senador "For Special Intentions and Thanksgiving"

Cradle of Hope Saturday, June 07, 2025 9-5:30 pm Don Bosco School, 2 St. Andrews Blvd, Etobicoke

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) warmly invites prayer groups and communities to join us to celebrate the Cradle of Hope conference.

Come be blessed and filled with the Holy Spirit! Anointed speakers at the conference are: Barbara Heil, from the Heart of the Father Ministries, Bishop Kasun CCRC Liaison to Frank Cardinal Leo & Fr. Joel Okojie OSA, CCRC Spiritual Director. Praise & worship led by Generation Faith Music. Please visit: www.ccrctoronto.ca to register and buy your ticket for \$30.

Totus Tuus is coming to Our Lady of Sorrow Join the fun and faith-filled summer camp this July!

Totus Tuus is Latin for "Totally Yours." It is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and deepening the faith of children and teens through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Led by college-aged missionary teachers from the Archdiocese and supported by local leaders and volunteers at Our Lady of Sorrows, Totus Tuus offers a joyful and meaningful week where participants grow in their relationship with God through prayer, learning, and community life. For more info or to volunteer: Email totustuus@sorrows.ca

Saturday June 14th 2025 @ 7 pm
Movie Night in the parish hall

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