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## CATHOLIC CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent

66A Main St. S., Brampton L6W 2C6

March 4, 2018



### Associate Pastor's Corner

**S**uffering and Cross bring new life Jesus spent forty days tested in the desert, and the Church invites us to enter into a season of penance and self-discipline. We must come to terms with our passions- that is, those unruly inclinations and emotions that create, jealousy, intemperance, and lust. We often like to be rewarded for our efforts. We exercise to stay fit and we diet to lose weight. If these do not achieve our goal, we are frustrated. The disciplines of the spiritual life - prayer, fasting, and good works - have a reward, too. This reward might be a deeper relationship with God, greater clarity of mind, or an appreciation for the poor. These practices exercise our minds and body to be in a more self-controlled manner.

How much some athletes, famous rock and movie stars, politicians, even ourselves sacrifice to achieve glorification in this world, that is, in the end, short-lived.

This sacrifice and glorification is self-serving. Jesus invites another kind of sacrifice and glorification that ultimately different, Jesus teaches us that what leads to glorification is dying to self, losing our lives, serving him and others. He has shown us the way by being -lifted up from the earth.

For example, parents giving time and energy to help their children grow; employees speaking the truth even when there is personal cost; neighbors responding to the needs of the poor. The glorification we receive for being other-centered is given to us even now in the joy that comes from deepened relationships, from seeing the relief and gratitude of others, from our own satisfaction for having acted like Jesus. In such faithful discipleship. we grow toward the ultimate glorification of eternal Life.

In All - No pain, No gain! The essence of discipleship is that we stand with Jesus and align our own identity with his, accept self-denial and self-giving, and in this way walk with him to the cross. Disciples go wherever the Master goes. *Fr Gustavo*

Rev. Liborio Amaral, **PASTOR**  
 Rev. Gustavo Campo, **ASSOCIATE PASTOR**  
**DEACON** Franciscus Sukardi  
**DEACON** John Kennedy

#### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m.  
 Friday 6:00 p.m. Adoration / 7:00 p.m. Mass

#### Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., &  
 12:30 p.m. / 3:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

#### Devotions

Rosary. Half an hour before weekday Mass

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

#### Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

& by appointment

#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

#### Parish Lay Pastoral Assistant

Liz Rybka

#### Parish Secretaries

Deanna Pacheco, Olga Calderon, Sinia Alvarado

#### Vocations Director

Fr. Chris Lemieux

416.968.0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office

#### Marriages

Please contact the parish office one year in advance

#### Those interested in becoming Catholic

Adults who have not been baptized or wish to be received into the Catholic Church participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If interested, please contact the parish office.

#### Parish Schools

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St. Mary 905-451-1020

## Third Sunday in Lent



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#### Monday - March 5 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Dr. Andres Franco Jr. †

#### Tuesday - March 6 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Antonio Pacheco †  
• Conceicao Guerreiro †

#### Wednesday - March 7 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Nevis & Alzira Vaz †  
• Brian Pinto †  
• Peter Van Do †

#### Thursday - March 8 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Jaime Musni †

#### Friday - March 9 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Linda D'Souza †  
6:00 p.m. Holy Hour  
7:00 p.m. - Mass  
• Charles Menezes †  
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday - March 10 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Joseph Sr. and  
• Joseph Jr. Gredevich †  
• Elmer Villanueva †  
• Maria Thi Dao †

*Devotion to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help  
after the morning Mass*

5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass

#### *Let Us Pray For the For the Sick*

Rosalia Vallido  
Byron Ortega

#### *Recently Departed*

Edgardo Vallido

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LENT 2018

## Day of Confessions

**March 10-17, 2018**

### Confession Times at St. Mary's Church

#### Tuesday March 20th

10am to 12noon  
& 6pm to 8pm

#### Thursday March 22nd

10am to 12noon  
& 6pm to 8pm

#### Saturday March 24th

10am to 12noon  
& 2:30pm to 4:30pm

### Confession Times at other Parishes

<b>St. Jerome's Parish</b> 8530 Chinguacousy Road, Brampton	March 13	7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
<b>St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish</b> 2490 Sandalwood Parkway East, Bramp.	March 15	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
<b>Guardian Angels Parish</b> 10630 Creditview Road, Brampton	March 23	6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
<b>St. Anthony of Padua Parish</b> 940 North Park Drive, Bramalea	March 26	7 p.m. to 9 p.m.



"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation – this most powerful encounter with divine mercy – is essential."  
- Thomas Cardinal Collins.

### Pray for Vocations



Jesus cleaned out the temple of money changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He spoke with authority. He was doing what He had to do even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a religious vocation in the Church. If you think God might be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997** email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

### Senior Men's High School Retreat - Saturday, March 17, 2018



**OFFICE OF VOCATIONS**  
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The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto, on Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m. for those in grade 11 & 12. This retreat will provide time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. Registration for the retreat is to be done online at: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca) (under Programs) or <http://bit.ly/2xh8uMA> For more information please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997 or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### Stations of the Cross - Join us during Lent on Fridays at 7:30 p.m.



March 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### We Pray for our RCIA Candidates

Our sisters and brothers who are preparing to enter the Catholic Church this Easter through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will be participating in their Rite of Election at Merciful Redeemer parish this afternoon (Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup>) at 4pm. Please remember to pray for them as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation this Easter Vigil.

### Anointing of the Sick

On Sat. Mar. 10th at the 9am Mass there will be the Anointing of the Sick during the mass.

### +55 Club Muffin Morning

March 12, after 9 am Mass- Monday Muffin Morning "Wearing of the Green" hosted by Amica Retirement home and Irish coffee will be served. Invent a limerick to be eligible for a prize. Jun. 24, Sun.. 1pm: Shaw Festival "Grand Hotel" Musical 905 451-7819 to reserve.

### Altar Server Preparation Meeting ~ Children of St Mary's, come to serve the Lord



Classes of formation for new Altar Servers will continue Saturday, March 10 and 17 from 10:00am - 12:00pm. If there are any changes to these dates you will be notified immediately. We look forward to seeing you there.

### CWL Upcoming Events

**Next General Meeting:** Will be held Wednesday March 14 (instead March 7).

This is our annual Lenten Soup Supper. From 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Meeting will follow at 7:30 pm. Please bring bowl, cup, plate and spoon.

Just a reminder to C.W.L. members that the 2018 dues (\$20.00) can be paid at the Religious Articles Store after weekend Masses or the next General Meeting. New members welcome.

**Bazaar worknights:** Mondays March 12 and March 26 lower level at 7:30 pm. Come and join us. Everyone welcome. **Executive Meeting:** Will be held Wednesday March 21 (instead of March 14) at 7:30 pm lower level.



An INVITATION from the CWL is extended to ALL women of St. Mary's Parish to participate in a retreat on Saturday, April 7th from 9:00-3:00. LOCATION: Queen of the Apostles, Mississauga. THEME: Women's Role in the Church Today. COST: \$35 (Includes lunch and other refreshments) Carpooling from St. Mary's can be arranged. For further information and to register: call Debbie Gauthier 905-451-6721.

### Free Catholic Estate Planning Seminar

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9:00 am, the Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share information about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic Teaching and traditions around Cremation. Location: Assumption Cemetery, 6933 Tomken Road, Mississauga.

**RSVP:** Frank Jannetta, Catholic Cemeteries 416.733-8544 ext. 2023 or [fjannetta@cc-fs.ca](mailto:fjannetta@cc-fs.ca) An estate planning kit will be provided at no cost. Refreshments will be provided.

### Good Friday Second Collection - Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday—March 30, 2018. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

### Final Week for the Archdiocese of Toronto Sign-Up

Please note that your contact information will be used by Cardinal Thomas Collins and other trusted faith partners (ie. the Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience) to communicate approximately 6-8 times annually. You can unsubscribe at any-time. Your completed information below can be returned to St. Mary's Office or put into the collection at Mass.

Name	Email	Postal Code	Cellphone (optional)




On any given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage program at Covenant House has been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. The program matches adolescents with mentors, who help them build life skills. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping at-risk youth prepare for life on their own.

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**



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