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**February 23rd, 2020** 

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

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Office Hours

Mon. to Fri. 9:30 am - 8:00 pm Saturday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm

#### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Friday 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

#### **Adoration Chapel**

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

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

Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

# Ash Wednesday



Join us for the beginning of Lent

## **Ash Wednesday Masses**

Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 7am, 9am, 12:00 noon & 7pm

Stations of the Cross
During Lent on
Fridays at 7:30pm



#### Parish Schools

Baptisms Please contact the parish office.

Marriages Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

Adults interested in becoming Catholic 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.

Vocations Director Fr. Chris Lemieux 416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### **Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Mass Intentions For the Week of ~ February 23rd ~



## Monday, February 24 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass Special Intentions for:

Jomon Mathew Family

## Tuesday, February 25 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Antonio and Margherita Sampogna †
- Baby Love †

## Wednesday, February 26 Ash Wednesday

7:00am - Mass with Ashes

9:00am - Mass with Ashes

12:00 noon - Mass with Ashes

7:00pm - Mass with Ashes

## Thursday, February 27 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Manuel B. Martinez †

## Friday, February 28 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Aida Fernandez †
- Avelina Mangabang †

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. - Mass

• John D'Silva †

## Saturday, February 29 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass Special Intentions for:

- Maikel Michrisky
- Fr. Liborio Tavares †
- Brigido & Fausta Malaluan †
- Jose Medeiros †

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

4:00 p.m. - Confessions 5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass

#### Pastor's Corner

ear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Let us continue our reflection on the Eucharist.
If someone was to ask you what the Eucharist means to
you and your life, what would you say to them?
Here are a few statements that various saints have said about what the
Eucharist meant to them. I hope that these statements can shed greater
light on the awesomeness that the Eucharist is to us individually,
to the Church and to the World.

Blessings,

Fr. Liborio

<u>p.s.</u> Next week I will suspend our reflection on the Eucharist and speak on the Season of Lent. Remember that the Season of Lent begins this Wednesday with the distribution of Ashes. We will have 4 Masses on Ash Wednesday (i.e. 7am, 9am, 12 noon and 7pm).

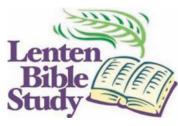
#### Some statements by saints on the Gift that is the Eucharist:

- "When Mass is being celebrated, the sanctuary is filled with countless angels who
  adore the Divine Victim immolated on the altar." St. John Chrysostom
- "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy." St. Jean Vianney
- "The angels surround and help the priest when he is celebrating Mass." St. Augustine
- "The Holy Mass would be of greater profit if people had it offered in their lifetime, rather than having it celebrated for the relief of their souls after death."
   Pope Benedict XV
- "Put all the good works in the world against one Holy Mass; they will be as a grain of sand beside a mountain." St. John Vianney
- "Let the entire man be seized with fear; let the whole world tremble; let heaven exult when Christ, the Son of the Living God, is on the altar in the hands of the priest. O admirable height and stupendous condescension! O humble sublimity! O sublime humility! that the Lord of the universe, God and the Son of God, so humbles Himself that for our salvation He hides Himself under a morsel of bread." St. Francis of Assisi
- "No human tongue can enumerate the favors that trace back to the Sacrifice of the Mass.
   The sinner is reconciled with God; the just man becomes more upright; sins are wiped away; vices are uprooted; virtue and merit increases; and the devil's schemes are frustrated." St. Lawrence Justinian
- "Know, O Christian, that the Mass is the holiest act of religion. You cannot do anything
  to glorify God more, nor profit your soul more, than by devoutly assisting at it, and
  assisting as often as possible." St. Peter Julian Eymard
- "The heavens open and multitudes of angels come to assist in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass." - <u>St. Gregory the Great</u>
- "How happy is that guardian angel who accompanies a soul to Holy Mass!"
   St. John Vianney
- "When we receive Holy Communion, we experience something extraordinary a joy, a fragrance, a well-being that thrills the whole body and causes it to exalt."
   St. John Vianney
- "I believe that were it not for the Holy Mass, as of this moment the world would be in the abyss." – St. Leonard of Port Maurice

Thank God for the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist!



### St. Mary's Lenten Bible Study



You are invited to join us for St. Mary's Lenten Bible Study to be held Monday evenings on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Halls. All are Welcome!

"The Bible is the great love story between God and humanity. At its centre stands Jesus, whose own story brings to fulfilment both God's love for us and our love for God." Pope Francis.

#### **Catholic Mom's Group**



**Faith, Love & Hope!** Calling all moms to please join us on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. We will be talking about all types of Love, our Faith, and our Hopes. We look forward to gathering together to discuss these amazing topics in further detail. Hope to see you there!

#### **Knit One Crochet Too - Join Us!**



The St. Mary's Knitting/Crocheting Group will meet on:

Mornings from 10am to noon on March 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Evenings from 7pm to 9pm on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, March 9<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. We welcome beginners to experts. Come to learn, improve, or teach in a friendly and fun environment. The schedule is available at the Religious Store.

#### **World Day of Prayer**

Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 is World Day of Prayer. A service will be hosted by the Catholic Women's League of St. Anne's Parish, Brampton at 2:00pm. The service has been prepared by the Women of Zimbabwe. All are welcome!

#### **CWL Upcoming Events**

**Bazaar Worknights:** Mondays at 7:30pm on February 24<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Fatima Room and March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Knights Of Columbus Room. All ladies are welcome.

**General Meeting:** Wednesday March 4th at Our Lady Fatima Room. This is our annual Lenten Soup Supper 6:00pm - 7:00pm. Meeting will follow at 7:00pm.





Every year in February, St. Mary's Catholic Women's League sponsors the Mary Matthews speech contest. This contest was held on February 9<sup>th</sup> here at St Mary's in our parish hall. The winner was Veronica Robertson and the runner up was Olivia Travassos. Both of these students attend Bishop Francis Allen School.

#### **Dynamic Women of Faith 2020 - Catholic Women's Conference**



Join the Dynamic Women of Faith for two special events in March. Calling All Girls: a special evening for mothers and daughters on March 27<sup>th</sup> and the Annual Catholic Women's Conference on March 28<sup>th</sup> at Le Tréport Banquet Hall 1075 Queensway East, Mississauga. Keynote speakers include Colleen Carroll Campbell and Kimberly Hahn. Mass will be celebrated by Father Edward J. Curtis, Rector of St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.

For more information or to register visit: https://dynamicwomenfaith.com

Stations of the Cross - Join us during Lent on Fridays at 7:30pm





## Let us 🗇 Pray 🛪

#### For the Sick

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#### For the

#### **Recently Deceased**

Maria Castaño Bella Alquiros Rafael Piovesan José Medeiros





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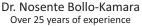


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