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**ST. MARY'S**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



March 21, 2021



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St. Augustine Bible Conference  
March 27<sup>th</sup>

### Pastor:

Rev. Liborio Amaral

### Associate Pastor:

Rev. Patrick Ezimora CCE

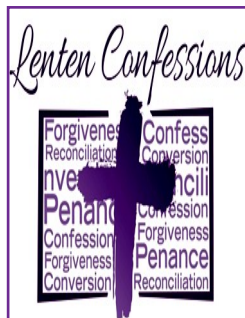
### Deacons:

Franciscus Sukardi

Douglas Asselstine

## Welcome and Quick Update

Welcome everyone and thank you for your great support



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Monday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	10am - 12noon	5pm - 7pm
Wednesday, March 31 <sup>st</sup>	10am - 12noon	5pm - 7pm

## Fr Liborio's Reflection .....

### "We wish to see Jesus."

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In today's Gospel we hear that in the midst of a festival there are some Greeks who turn to the Apostle Philip and say "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." What a wonderful simple and yet profound statement of truth and faith. Do we also wish to see Jesus? Next week we will enter holy week with the celebration of Passion Sunday (Palm Sunday).

For this coming week let us reflect on how we too wish to see Jesus. Do we seek to see Jesus in our lives, in the faces of our loved ones, in the encounters we have with others, in the Eucharist we participate and in the Eucharistic Host we receive in communion?

Yes, let us reflect on how we seek the lord so that next week we might seek Him in his Passion and death on the Cross.

Blessings,

Fr. Liborio

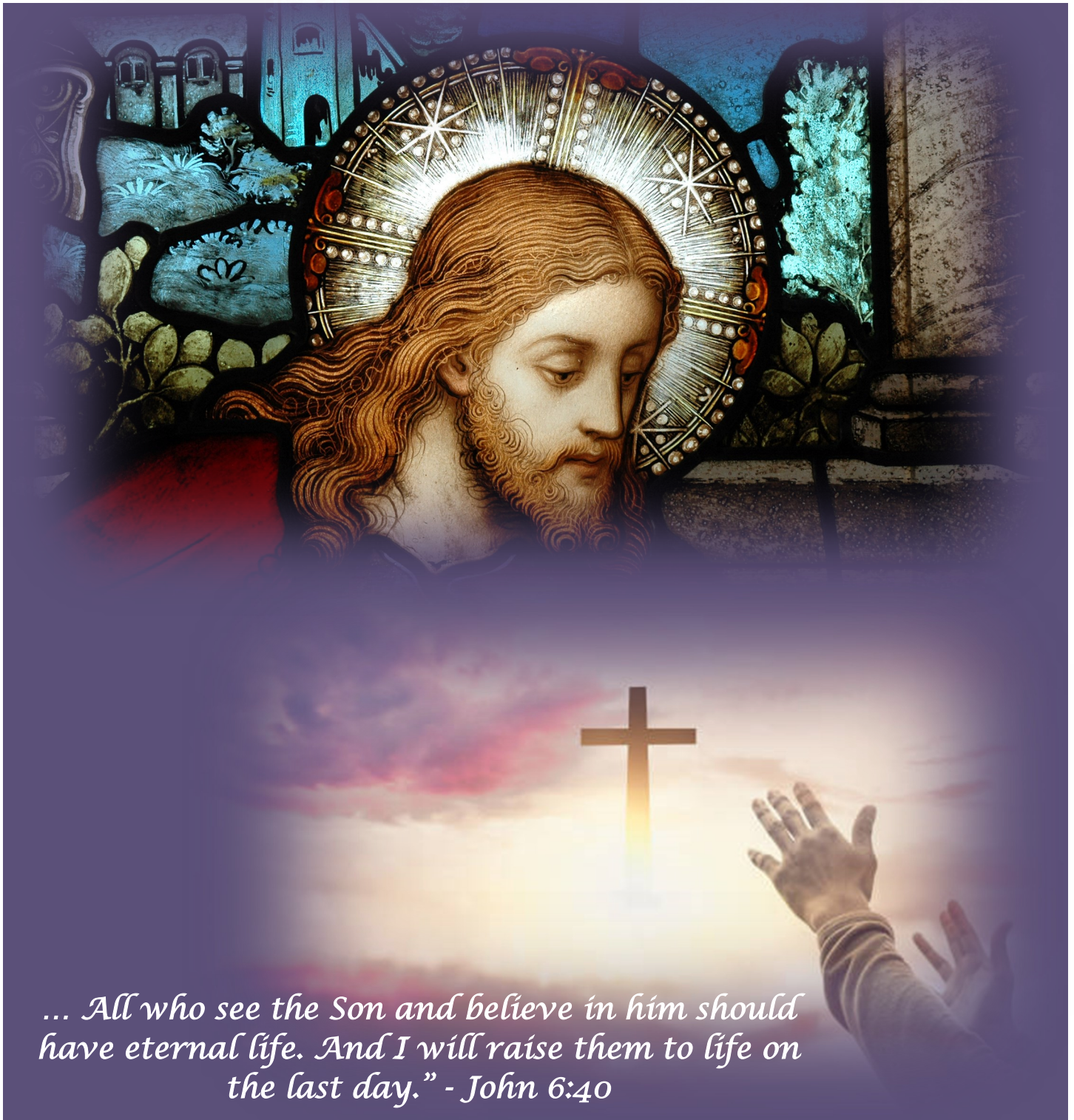
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*... All who see the Son and believe in him should have eternal life. And I will raise them to life on the last day.” - John 6:40*



# Faith Formation

## St. Augustine Bible Conference MAKE THIS YOUR MOST FRUITFUL HOLY WEEK

Join 10,000+ Catholics already registered for this free, one-day virtual event on **March 27, 2021**. Learn from some of the nation's most dynamic Scripture scholars and prepare your heart for Holy Week.

### FEATURED TOPICS & SPEAKERS

- ♦ **The Last Supper**, Dr. Brant Pitre
- ♦ **The Agony in the Garden**, Dr. Tim Gray
- ♦ **The Passion of the Christ**, Dr. Elizabeth Klein
- ♦ **Holy Saturday**, Dr. John Sehorn
- ♦ **The Resurrection**, Dr. Michael Barber

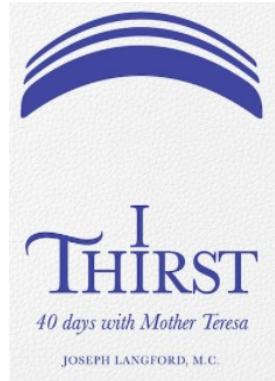
[Register For FREE](#)

## FORMED Now: "I Thirst"

Book Discussion - (Part 4)

Walk with Saint Mother Teresa throughout the season of Lent with I Thirst: 40 Days with Mother Teresa accompanied by this seven-part book discussion between Dr. Ben Akers and Fr. Daniel Moloney. Throughout Lent, Dr. Akers and Fr. Moloney will dive into Mother Teresa's spirituality, her teaching on prayer, the life of faith, and much more.

[Learn More](#)



## Kids Pick of



Lent with Brother Francis:  
Episode 4  
**A Time to Cry**



*Plus, join Brother Francis in praying a special Stations of the Cross for children.*

Register for FREE to watch Picks of the Week & More :

1. Click on the link
2. Register using your email (Create New Account)
3. Enter St. Mary's Church, Brampton
4. Access Code: **8b36b3**

[Stations of the Cross](#)

[MOVIE TIME](#)

## Pick of the Week



### Why a Church?

The Search // Episode 7 //

How do I access this man who lived 2000 years ago? How do I live this call of love? We uniquely encounter the love of God in His Church. But really? The Church? There are so many negative views of the

Church. It's out of touch. It's full of bad people. It's just too boring. Maybe when we say "The Church" we mean a little more. The church is the family of God that's been lovingly gathered through our entire story. It's the place we were meant to encounter His grace that prepares us for every step of life. The God that is love knows how we're made – material and spiritual – we need tangible ways to live our faith. We can't be spiritual but not religious. This is where we'll find ultimate happiness in life. This is where the God that has been seeking humanity, who wrote the deepest desires onto our human hearts, encounters us. Jesus' first words to humanity in the Gospel of John are "what do you seek?" The one that asked the question not only knows the answer, He is the answer. The answers to everything. And you find him most profoundly here in His Church.

[Spanish](#)

[MOVIE TIME](#)

## Bible Verses

**You can't see Him,  
but He sees you.**

*"Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen, and have believed."* - John 20:29

*"But I will see you, because I have done no wrong; and when I awake, your presence will fill me with joy"* - Psalms 17:15

*"... Didn't I tell you that you would see God's glory if you believe?"* - John 11:40



## Vatican Museums: The Works of Mercy #5

**"Proclaiming Christ means showing that believing in Him and following Him is not only true and right, but also beautiful. At the heart of the Gospel lies the beauty of God's saving love, manifested in Jesus Christ who died and rose again."** Inspired by these words of Pope Francis, the Vatican Museums and Vatican News have teamed up again to explore the masterpieces in the papal collections accompanied by the words of the Popes.

***"With the docile submission which belongs to one who believes in a just and good God, and in Jesus Christ—teacher and guide of hearts—courageously embrace your often-heavy, daily cross. Carrying its weight with Jesus makes it light."***



Jesus before Pilate  
Pietro Lorenzetti, c. 1280 – 1348

# Live Your Faith

## St. Joseph

## Learning from the Saints

## Annunciation of the Lord

### SAINT JOSEPH

4-PART SERIES

WITH DR. BEN AKERS AND TAYLOR KEMP

FORMEDNOW

### St Joseph: Old and New (Part 2 of 4)

In this Year of Saint Joseph, proclaimed by Pope Francis to be December 8, 2020, through December 8, 2021, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down to reflect on

the earthly father chosen by the Heavenly Father for his Son, Jesus Christ.

This four-part series will begin by looking at Joseph from the Old Testament and comparing him with Saint Joseph from the New Testament, and then move into reflections on three of Saint Joseph's titles; Guardian of the Redeemer, Patron of the Universal Church, and Patron of the Domestic Church.

[Learn More](#)

### *The flutter of a wing, a rustling in the air, a voice, and the future began to begin*

The Feast of the Annunciation is the reason why we celebrate Christmas on December 25. Christmas comes exactly nine months after the Archangel Gabriel invited the Virgin Mary to be the Mother of God, an event we commemorate on March 25.

The dating of these Feast Days, although interesting, is of minor importance compared to their theological significance. It is fruitful to reflect upon the incarnation of Jesus Christ in the womb of the Virgin Mary as the antecedent to the explosion of joy, caroling, gift giving, eating, drinking, love and family unity that surrounds the birth of the Savior. Perhaps Mary had a sort of private and internal Christmas at the moment of the Annunciation. Maybe she felt the fullness of the world's Christmas joy inside of her own heart when she realized she had been chosen to be the Mother of God.

[Learn More](#)



**"Whoever fails to find a Master to teach him how to pray, should choose this glorious Saint- St. Joseph, and he will not go astray." - St. Teresa of Avila**

## Uniting Suffering to the Cross

My hope is in Jesus, my only treasure is the Cross...I will bless the Lord at all times and His praise shall be always in my mouth. I adore the will of my God.

Jesus, Priest and Victim, I unite the sacrifice of my life and the cross I carry to Thy blood shed for me. I shelter myself in Thy wounds and I expect all strength from Thee. My heart is ready, O Lord, my heart is ready. I only wish to do all for Thy greater glory. I rely upon Thy strength when the supreme moment comes and not upon my own. I have put my hopes in Thy mercy. I recommend to Thee all to whom I may die indebted, and I beg Thee, that having given my life and my blood for them, my friends will pay my debts after my death. Amen.

-Prayer of Venerable Pauline Marie Jaricot

[Complete Prayer](#)

## 3 minute Prayer Retreat



Here I Am, Lord

Here I am, Lord. I trust in you and long to do your will. Grant me the courage of Ananias to face my own fears and to follow wherever you ask me to go.

[English](#)

[Español](#)

## The Chosen Series - Think You Know Him? Look Again...

# The CHOSEN



**Positive, changes lives, inspires hearts, and lifts the spirit.**

You can get it here: [www.thechosen.tv/app](http://www.thechosen.tv/app) or search "The Chosen" in your Apple or Android app store. From the app, you can stream to your TV using another device, such as Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV, Android TV, Chromecast, etc. [Click here for YouTube](#) or [click here for Episode One](#)

## The Second Idol of the 21st Century: HAPPINESS

Our Associate Pastor Fr. Patrick C. Ezimora CCE shares *the second idol of the 21st Century: Happiness*.

I guess you didn't think that happiness could be an idol. You should therefore feel challenged to read and discover the 'god' called 'Happiness'.

*"Happy is he whose help is the God of Jacob; whose hope is in the Lord his God" (Psalm 146:5)*

Hopefully this article will assist you and your loved ones during this holy season of interior renewal.

[Learn More](#)





# Live Your Faith

## The Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz

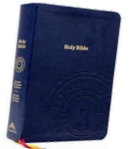


**New Podcast**  
**From Fr. Mike Schmitz, featuring**  
**Jeff Cavins: The Bible In A Year**

**If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you.**

Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes (you can start any day of the year) Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

◆ two to three scripture readings ◆ a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz and ◆ guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word.



Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure Bible Timeline® learning system, a groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation History developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

*"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ." - Romans 10:17*

[Register](#)

## SCATTERED SEEDS

### Pray for Vocations



**Pray for Vocations**

Unless a seed first dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we die to our selfish ways, we cannot expect to be people who will **"lay down their lives for their friends"**.

If you think God is calling you to lay down your life as a priest, religious or deacon for His Church, please **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy**, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at **416-968-0997**.

**Email:** [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

### Easter Decorating



"We are offering up the opportunity for you, the Parishioners, to raise up the Easter Celebration.

Offerings of flower plants of different varieties like Hydrangeas, Lilies, Tulips, Mums, Daffodils, etc. would help in this most Blessed time.

If you wish to dedicate your flower plants to someone who has passed away, please put the name in the pot. Please leave them from Saturday, **March 27<sup>th</sup> to April 3<sup>rd</sup> behind the altar**.

Thank you for your generosity. God Bless.

**- The Liturgical Decoration Team**

## The Moral and Ethical Use of Vaccines to Combat Covid-19

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

There are many written materials and videos that have been produced from experts and amateurs alike, who speak about the moral and ethical use of vaccines to combat Covid-19. For us Catholics, the moral and ethical use of Vaccines to combat Covid-19 has been dealt with from the highest groups and people in the Catholic Church, who are called to lead us to truth and away from falsehood. But because some 'experts' and leaders of the church may differ from the current pronouncements of the Church, people may find themselves confused and searching for direction. To add to this confusion, we also have a good number of 'amateurs' (who are not at all experts in the field of vaccines) who pontificate their amateur studies (from the studies of what I would like to call "Course:Google -101"). These amateurs can bring harm when they share falsehoods from truth. For some of these amateurs, they are blinded by 'being important' in the eyes of men and they can lead people astray. As your pastor I would like to offer you the following two articles that speak about the moral and ethical use of vaccines to combat Covid-19. I hope that you will find in them the seeds of truth and will guide you to follow that truth in your life these next months regarding vaccines. Blessings, *Fr. Liborio*.

1. Article of a Filipino Catholic priest 'expert'

[Click Here](#)

2. Article from 'Pro-life experts' in vaccine production and use

[Click Here](#)

## BAZAAR

This week we are showcasing some items that you might enjoy for the coming Easter season or soon to arrive Spring time! We have a couple of cute wall hangings as well as some mug rugs to keep your office or tables tidy. There are some hand-knitted sweaters for the younger ones as well as an assortment of colouring activity bags (a variety of prints are available). You might find just the right thing for an Easter gift for that special person all the while knowing you are helping our CWL as they continue to support their charities both near and far. If you see something you are interested in please contact Fran @ 905-867-7595 or email at [fern0@rogers.com](mailto:fern0@rogers.com). Thank you! Click [HERE](#) to see inventory.



**\$30.00** Easter Wall Hanging 15"W X 35"H



**\$15.00** child's size 2 hooded sweater



**\$10.00** medium size dog coat, 13" long, 10" between front legs



**\$10.00** crayons, book & bag



For the Week

All masses below are private and can be seen via Live-Stream via our YouTube or Facebook channels

**Monday - March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

**Tuesday - March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

9:00 am - Mass

**Wednesday - March 24<sup>th</sup>**

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

**Thursday - March 25<sup>th</sup>**

Annunciation of the Lord

9:00 am - Mass

**Friday - March 26<sup>th</sup>**

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

**Saturday - March 27<sup>th</sup>**

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

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Yes, Lord! A Lenten Liturgy of the Word for Kids



Tune into Salt + Light Television on Friday mornings during Lent for a kid-friendly approach to the Sunday Mass readings and homily. Whether you are worshipping at home due to the pandemic or are just looking for a way to boost your family's faith life, you won't want to miss this brand new series!

SCHEDULE:

Fridays 9:30am ET

Saturdays 4pm ET

Sundays 7:00am and 2:30pm ET

[Learn More](#)

## FAMILY CORNER

### Prayers in Honor of the Seven Sorrows and Seven Joys of Saint Joseph

Origin of this devotion: Two Franciscan friars were sailing along the coast of Flanders when a terrible storm arose which sank the boat along with its three hundred passengers. The two Friars, however, had held on to a wooden plank for three days and nights while continually praying to Saint Joseph. Saint Joseph did appear to them as a young man and he helped them to safety. He then told them to daily recite the Our Father and Hail Mary seven times in memory of his seven sorrows and seven joys. The prayers below were composed by Ven. Januarius Sarnelli, C.S.S.R. (d. 1744) and can be used to keep this devotion. It can be prayed for seven Sundays in a row, seven days in a row or all at once. For those who wish to pray this prayer daily, the following structure on one possible approach:

First Sorrow/Joy: Sundays

Second Sorrow/Joy: Mondays

Third Sorrow/Joy: Tuesdays

Fourth Sorrow/Joy: Wednesdays

Fifth Sorrow/Joy: Thursdays

Sixth Sorrow/Joy: Friday

Seventh Sorrow/Joy: Saturday

### Living Lent as a Family (Part 4 of 4)



Have you ever wanted to live more liturgically but not known how? We want to help all families by providing these discussions on liturgical living during Lent to be a resource for the Domestic Church—the home. We pray that these discussions bless you and your family.

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Keenan and Bri Fitzpatrick, parents of four, to discuss liturgical living during Lent and marks of the Christian home in our world today.

[Learn More](#)

### Looking for Clues



This Lenten activity is called Looking for Clues and is an opportunity for parents/catechists to help children become more familiar with the Passion story.

Gather pictures of the following items from the Passion according to Mark (14:1—15:47).

- a jar (bottle of perfume) (14:3)
- water jar (14:13)
- a dish (14:20)
- bread (14:22)
- cup (14:23)
- And ...

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### Growing in Grace

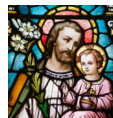
by Fr. Thomas J. Connery

**An orphan boy was living in Paris at the end of world war II.** All alone, he had to scrounge around the city as best he could to find food, clothes and shelter. Most everyone was experiencing desperation.

Years before, he had heard someone talk about God and even Jesus. But with the hell on earth that the war had brought into his life, he had long since lost what little faith he had. One cold morning, he stopped outside the window of a small bakery. His stomach ached from the smell of the fresh bread. He was so absorbed in the moment outside the bakery window that he didn't realize an American soldier had come up and was watching him. He hardly noticed it when the G.I. walked past him into the store. He did, however, notice the large bag the baker was filling for the G.I. with rolls, breads and pastries. And the boy could hardly breathe when the soldier exited the shop, knelt down and handed him the bag. He looked at the G.I. with astonishment and gratefulness. Finally, he asked the question that was running through his mind: "Mister, are you Jesus?"

People today still long to see Jesus. We are to be Jesus to others. As St. Teresa of Calcutta counseled: do small acts of kindness with great love. This is what the world waits to see. We will show them Jesus by our love.

**Father, I want to show your Son to the world by my example. When I live like your Son, they will know that God is with us. I may not do anything extraordinary, but I can do little acts of kindness. This Lent may I show others your Son, Jesus. Amen**



"O Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart.

*Thank You for your Offering!*

**March 14, 2021 Regular Collection**  
\$6,790.00



# St. Mary's Holy Week Schedule

Live-streaming of Masses will Continue as follows:

Daily Mass at 9 AM

Sunday Masses

11 AM English & 2 PM Spanish

Sunday Masses & Feast Masses will require Registration.

To register visit our website <https://stmarysbr.archtoronto.org>

Date	Feast	Time
<b>Saturday</b> <b>March 27<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Vigil of Palm Sunday	9:00 a.m. Mass 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Masses Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b> <b>March 28<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Palm Sunday	8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. Masses (2:00 and 3:00 p.m. Masses are in Spanish)
<b>Monday</b> <b>March 29<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Holy Monday	9:00 a.m. Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>March 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Holy Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>March 31<sup>st</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Holy Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b> <b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Holy Thursday 9:00 a.m. <u>Mass Cancelled</u>	Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. (Will be Live-Streamed) Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
<b>Friday</b> <b>April 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Good Friday 9:00 a.m. <u>Mass Cancelled</u> 6:00-7:00 p.m. <u>Holy hour Cancelled</u> 7:00 p.m. <u>Mass Cancelled</u>	Good Friday Service's 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon (Spanish), 1:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. (12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m. services will be Live-Streamed) 8:00 p.m. Live-streamed Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday</b> <b>April 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Holy Saturday 9:00 a.m. <u>Mass Cancelled</u>	8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil (Will be Live-Streamed) Church open for private prayer from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b> <b>April 4<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Office Closed</i>	Easter Sunday	8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Masses (2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Masses are in Spanish)

## Office Schedule

Closed until further notice.  
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(Meetings by Appointment Only)

## Church Open for Prayer

Monday to Friday	8:00am to 8:00pm
Saturdays	8:00am to 4:00pm

## Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday	9:00am Mass
Friday Evenings	6:00pm to 7:00pm Holy Hour followed by 7:00pm Mass

## Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00pm Saturday Mass (*Vigil*)

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

12:30pm Mass

2:00pm Mass (*Spanish*)

The Church will be open <u>30 min</u> before each Mass	<b>REGISTRATION is REQUIRED</b> through Eventbrite Visit our Parish website to register or call the parish office for support
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## Confession Times

Fridays	5:30pm to 7:00pm
Saturdays	9:45am to 12:00 noon

## Livestream Masses:

Daily at 9:00am (*English*)

Sundays at 11:00am (*English*)

& 2:00pm (*Spanish*)