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May 13th

Pastor:

Rev. Liborio Amaral

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Rev. Patrick Ezimora CCE

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Franciscus Sukardi
Douglas Asselstine

Welcome and Quick Update

Welcome everyone and thank you for your great support



Rosary Challenge

Rosary Challenge on May 13th
Please see page 3 for
more information

100th Anniversary of the Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Due to the pandemic, their Convention will be held virtually on May 15th. A live-streamed Mass will take place on that day at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to join virtually – the Mass can be accessed at:
<http://bit.ly/CWL100th>

Fr Liborio's Reflection

Dear brothers and sisters Christ,

"You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

These words above conclude this weekend's Gospel. They ring true to me, because 29 years ago (i.e. May 9th, 1992), along with 8 other men, I was ordained a priest. God choose me to be a priest and I thank God that not only did he choose me, but that I was able to respond to that "call".

These words above also ring true to this weekend's special focus on Mother's day. We did not choose our mothers, and we can also say that our mothers did not choose us. God chose the mothers we would have and visa-versa, God chose the children we would have.

I believe with all my heart that God does not make mistakes when he assigns us our mothers and us as their children. It is up to us as mothers and children to see the beauty of God's decision. We need to ask ourselves if we have done our best, our very best, to be the mother's we are called to be to our children. And again visa-versa, have we done our best, our very best, to be the children we are called to be to our mothers? We can only do our part and pray that the other can do theirs. But if both mother and child have done their very best to live up to the calling of God in this relationship of love, then we can see the true image of God's relationship with us.

To all our mothers who are still alive and in our midst, we your children wish you a very **happy 'Mother's Day'**. To our mothers who passed away, we your children pray for you and hope to meet you one day at the gates of heaven where we will be able to live as brothers and sisters forever in the presence of our Father in heaven, and his Son Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Liborio

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Faith Formation



Fr. Mike Schmitz: "The Hour That Will Change Your Life"

Fr. Mike Schmitz shares his experiences and the *true intimacy that the Lord offers us in the Eucharist.*

[Podcast](#)

Fr. Donald Calloway: "The Virgin Mary: The Masterpiece of God"

In this talk, Fr. Calloway unpacks the wonder, mystery and dignity of the Mother of God. God created His own mother and fashioned her to be a tender mother, a beautiful bride and a lovely daughter. Her dignity is so great that God obeys her, saints honor her and all the demons fear her!

[Podcast](#)



Kids Pick of the Week



Join Brother Francis in the delightfully inspirational and instructive presentation that teaches children all about **The Sacrament of the Eucharist!**

This episode contains: "The Last Supper", "The Story of Blessed Imelda

Lambertini"—the Patroness of First Communicants, "I am the Bread of Life" **The Bread of Life** is an exceptional way to prepare children for their first Holy Communion.



[Rosary](#) [Rosario](#)

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**

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Pick of the Week



Finding Fatima

Finding FATIMA

Produced by the award-winning filmmakers of the highly acclaimed feature film The 13th Day, this powerful and in-depth documentary combines archival footage, dramatic reenactments, original interviews with Fatima experts, and stunning visuals to tell the whole

story of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima. With high production values and a beautiful look, artists and filmmakers Ian Higgins and Dominic Higgins present a compelling docu-drama on the crucial details about the appearances and messages of Our Lady in Fatima in 1917, a message of prayer, penance, and conversion that is desperately needed in our modern world. From the initial apparitions of the angel who prepared the children for Our Lady's coming, to the Miracle of the Sun and...

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[Movie Time](#)

Bible Verses

*We are
Chosen and
Loved by
God*

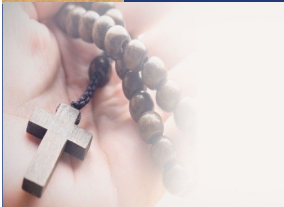
"I chose you before I gave you life, and before you were born I selected you to be a prophet to the nations." - **Jeremiah 1:5**

"But God in his grace chose me even before I was born, and called me to serve him." - **Galatians 1:15**

"Even before the world was made, God has already chosen us to be his through our union with Christ, so that we would be holy and without fault before him" - **Ephesians 1:4**



Vatican: Shrines around the world link up for recitation of the Rosary



Join the daily live broadcast of the recitation of the Holy Rosary in link-ups with Marian shrines around the world, as part of the **May marathon of prayer called by Pope Francis.**

As part of an initiative promoted by the Dicastery for the New Evangelization, the Marian prayer of the Rosary unites 30 Shrines around the world.

On the right side is the list of Shrines where the Rosary is prayed each day at 6:00 p.m. (CET), with links to watch live, or afterwards on demand.

May 9	The Basilica of the Holy House (Our Lady of Loreto)	Italy	Europe	For all seniors
May 10	The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Knock	Ireland	Europe	For all people with disabilities
May 11	The Shrine of Our Lady of Banneux (Virgin of the Poor)	Belgium	Europe	For all the poor, the homeless, and the economically distressed
May 12	The Basilica of Our Lady of Africa	Algiers, Algeria	Africa	For all people who live alone and those who have lost hope
May 13	The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fátima	Portugal	Europe	For all prisoners

[Complete Schedule](#)

Live Your Faith

Learning from the Saints



Mary's love is like the moon's mellow glow, reflecting a more intense light

Today's Memorial celebration commemorates the greatest saint of all, Saint Mary, as she manifested herself to three humble children in the Portuguese village of Fatima in 1917. Our Lady, the only mother ever chosen by her son, appeared in a particular place, at a particular time, to a particular people, to satisfy a particular need. She spoke to the children deep theological truths about heaven, hell, and purgatory.

She performed a publicly witnessed miracle that made the sun dance, asked for increased devotion to her Son Jesus Christ, and pleaded for reparation for the many sins committed against Him. A shrine was built in the Blessed Mother's honor at the site of her apparitions, which has welcomed millions and millions of pilgrims, including popes, over the decades. Our Lady is for the whole Church, of course, but she is closer to the faithful when she comes to them on their own terms—in their own tongue, skin, and dress, hovering over their own soil.

[Learn More](#)

On Thursday May 13th we celebrate **Our Lady of Fatima**.

This year we are challenging all our parishioner to **pray one Rosary and bring a Rose** to the statue of the Virgen Mary, at the front of the church. We would like to see how many Roses The Virgen Mary receives, but most importantly how many Rosaries are prayed.



Rosary Challenge

So ... on your marks... get set ...Pray

[Rosary](#)

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the world." - Pope Saint John Paul II

Prayer in Time of COVID

Gracious God, you who are the author of all life, and who desire the well-being of all people, during these dark days of COVID-19, increase in us, respect and reverence for all human life.

Grant restored health to the sick, comfort and hope to the dying, eternal peace for those who have died, strength to family members, relatives, clergy, friends and volunteers, renewed energy to hospital workers, PSWs, nurses and doctors, and perseverance to all in the health care professions.

Grant wisdom to scientists for the development of effective and moral vaccines, discernment and right judgment for legislators, aid to the discouraged, poor and vulnerable, courage and justice for front-line workers and all who risk their lives for the benefit of others, and keep always in our minds the vision of the true common good of all the world.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB

3 minute Prayer Retreat



God of the Living

"And concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not the God of the dead but of the living."

- Matthew 22:31-32

God of all, thank you for the gift of life. Grant me the grace to put your love and grace before all else.

[English](#)

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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 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 Season 2 Episode 2 & 3](#)

CMHA Mental Health Week



This year marks the 70th year of the annual Canadian Mental Health Association's (CMHA) Mental Health Week. Each May, Canadians in communities, schools and workplaces rally around CMHA Mental Health Week to celebrate, protect and promote mental health. This year's theme is all about understanding our emotions and naming how we feel. Recognizing, labeling and accepting our feelings are all part of protecting and promoting good mental health.

Let's all #GetReal about how we really feel. Remember: name it, don't numb it.

[More Information](#)

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 BibleTimeline® learning system, a groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation History developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

"...Meditate daily on the words of your creator. LEARN THE HEART OF GOD in the words of GOD." -St. Gregory

[Register](#)

SCATTERED SEEDS

Pray for Vocations



Pray for Vocations

The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is **"Love one another as I have loved you"**.

The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, **call Fr. Matt McCarthy**, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

ShareLife

Your gift to ShareLife is helping!

"ShareLife-funded agencies have been helping thousands of people since the pandemic began. They quickly adapted their programs in light of safety and the changing needs of the people they serve.

"We can help alleviate the suffering of those whose lives have been upended by the pandemic. Let us say yes to Jesus' call to live the Gospel by providing for those in need."

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

St. Mary's Bible Study- English

We are pleased to announce that our parish Bible Study will continue in May. Since the month of **May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary**, we will begin a study of the four Marian Dogmas taken from church teachings. As we are still in lockdown, we will continue to use Microsoft Teams as our virtual meeting space for the English study.

- Divine Motherhood
- Perpetual Virginity
- Immaculate Conception
- The Assumption

The **English Bible Study** will continue on **May 13, 20, and 27**. from 8:00pm to 9:00pm

The Microsoft Teams link for all four English meetings are: MS Teams - computer or mobile app: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Note: If you don't have the MS Teams App - Click on "open in Browser."

We look forward to seeing you at this next Bible Study!

Estudio de la Biblia en Español - Iglesia Santa María

Nos complace anunciar que nuestro estudio bíblico parroquial continuará en mayo. Dado que el mes de **mayo está dedicado a la Santísima Virgen María**, comenzaremos un estudio de los cuatro dogmas marianos tomados de las enseñanzas de la iglesia.

- Maternidad divina
- Virginitad perpetua
- Inmaculada Concepción
- La Asunción

El estudio bíblico en español se llevará a cabo los **sábados** y continuará el **15, 22 y 29 de mayo** de **8:00pm a las 9:00pm**

Si está interesado favor de **enviar un WhatsApp al Tel.**

416-809-5864 - Martha Guzmán

¡Esperamos verte en nuestro próximo Estudio Bíblico!

BAZAAR

This week the CWL has added some easy-care houseplants to our virtual bazaar pages! Have a look and see which might be nice additions to your indoor space. We also have some sewing to spruce up your table or dresser. Remember that all your purchases help the CWL with the various charities and good works they support. If you see something you are interested in contact Fran at 905-867-7595 or email fern0@rogers.com. Click [HERE](#) to see inventory.



\$22.00 each, table runners, left about 15" X 40", right 13 1/2" X 47"



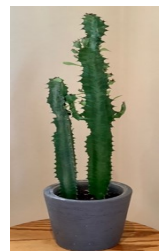
\$35.00 pastel with blue floral runner, 54" x 15 1/2"



\$10.00 spider plant, 6" pot, 22" total height



\$8.00 Snake Plant



\$20.00 Desert Candle



For the Week

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

Monday - May 10th

St. John of Avila, St. Damien de Veuster

9:00 am - Mass

Tuesday - May 11th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

Wednesday - May 12th

St. Nereus and St. Achilleus

9:00 am - Mass

Thursday - May 13th

Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 am - Mass

Friday - May 14th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

Saturday - May 15th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

Sunday - May 16th

The Ascension of the Lord

● Livestream at 9:30am Mass in Spanish

● Livestream at 11am Mass in English

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"Tearful Smiles"

Just the other day in first... One of my shyest little boys wasn't doing his work so I walked over to him and just as I bent down, he tells the little girl across from him, "You are just so beautiful, I can't stop staring at you!" At least I knew why he wasn't working

-Angela Watson

FAMILY CORNER

If God were in charge of the Mother's Day celebration, what would it be like?

1. It would be on a weekday, and every mother could stay home with her children, join in their play, read them stories, teach them about life—and all of that without losing income.
2. Every mother would have a community around her to help out, give encouragement and advice, and remind mom that her love is good and true and praised by the angels.
3. Every workplace would hand out bonuses to employees who had children in appreciation for their willingness to share their strength and wisdom with the rest of the world. Anyone who can deal well with children and teenagers should probably help run the country.
4. Friends and loved ones would gather around each mother and give thanks to God for her gifts of nurturing, teaching, and protection. They would also lift up to God the holy calling of motherhood, thanking God for the vocation and thanking their mom for embracing it so bravely.

If God were in charge of the Mother's Day celebration, we wouldn't even need the greeting cards.

This year, show Mom your love with books of encouragement and support.



One day, Michelangelo walking through a garden in Florence saw a block of marble in a corner protruding from the earth, half covered by grass and mud.

He stopped suddenly, as if he had seen someone, and turning to friends, who were with him, exclaimed: "An angel is imprisoned in that marble; I must get him out." And, armed with a chisel, he began to work on that block until the figure of a beautiful angel emerged.

God also looks at us and sees us this way: as shapeless blocks of stone. He then says to himself: "Therein is hidden a new and beautiful creature that waits to come out to the light; more than that, the image of my own son Jesus Christ is hidden there, I want to bring it out!" We are predestined to "be conformed to the image of his son" (Romans 8:29).

- Fr. Raneiro Canatalamessa

A Mind at Peace Book Discussion (Part 3 of 5)

Are you increasingly frustrated and perplexed in this digital age? Do you yearn for a mind that is more focused and a soul able to put down that phone and simply rejoice in the present?

Dr. Christopher O. Blum, author of A Mind at Peace, and Taylor Kemp sit down to talk about reclaiming an ordered soul in the age of distraction. They will discuss the virtues needed to hold back the onslaught by technology for our attention by looking to the saints and the wise. We pray that these discussions will help us all attain a more peaceful soul attuned to the promptings of God to live a more integrated and full life.

[Learn More](#)

From Mother of Sons,
by Jayne Jaudon Ferrer

Lesson Review

Have I taught you the right things,
my darlings?
Between laundry and table-setting,
ironing and pants-hemming,
manners and morals and
where to pin the corsage,
did I remember to teach about love?
About listening and hearing
and holding and helping
and always remembering to put
down the toilet seat?
While I ferried you to school
and soccer,
band and sleepovers,
birthdays and baseball and church,
did I find time to talk about life?
About philosophy and philanthropy
and ethics and art
and never leaving before the
credits have fun?
There's just so much that matters!
You must know about
politics, heretics,
deferment, fulfillment,
pain, civic duty,
civil rights, inner beauty...
Oh, I want to teach you
everything, darlings!
But life is so brief; its
wonders so vast.
And there's no textbook for
Teaching Life (or How to Turn
Boys into Men).
I'll just keep telling you all I can
think of;
you just keep asking me
what's on The Test.



*Thank You for your
Offering!*

May 2, 2021 Regular Collection
\$4,294.20

**Total ShareLife Collection from
Dec. 1, 2020 to today**
\$36,344.80

St. Mary's Church Schedule

During Lockdown (As of April 19th, 2021)

Office Schedule

Closed until further notice.

Please contact us by email or phone.

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905-451-2300

(Meetings by Appointment Only)

Church is Open for Private Prayer

Monday to Friday	9:30 am to 8:00 pm
Saturdays	9:30 am to 4:00 pm
Sundays	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Note: Only 10 people allowed in the building at all times.

Sunday & Weekday Mass Schedule

All Masses are temporarily canceled.

Livestream Mass Schedule

Daily at 9:00 am (English)

Sundays

9:30 am (Spanish) & 11:00 am (English)

Confession Times

Fridays	6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Saturdays	9:45 am to 11:00 am

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