



St. Maria Goretti  
70 Years of Faith  
Celebrate the Past  
Imagine the Future

70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year: 1955 - 2025

## Parish Week † Sunday, 23 Feb. 2025

### Saturday, 22 Feb. / Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

- 8.00 am Mass: † Lerma & Jose Collado Jr. (family)  
5.00 pm Mass: † Antonette Dias & E. Coste (Laura & Lena)  
6.30 pm Family Movie Night: *The Lion King*

### SUNDAY, 23 FEB. / 7-C

- Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Maintenance

- 9.00 am Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas  
(Thanesh Thanarajan)  
10.30 am Mass: † Edwin Tauro (Annie)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Kelvin Capit (Lectors)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday, 24 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Palmira Pereira (Desmond & Pam)  
7.00 pm Mass: † Gracey Boilo (family)

### Tuesday, 25 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Caroline & Cyril Bastiampillai (family)

### Wednesday, 26 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Fernando & Beatriz Remedios (family)

### Thursday, 27 Feb. / St. Gregory of Narek, abbot & doctor

- Ontario Provincial Election

- 8.00 am Mass: † Ablah Chachati (Fr. Elias)

### Friday, 28 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Julie & Edward Menezes (Gerard & Carol)

### Saturday, 1 Mar. / Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

- 8.00 am Mass: † Ann Stafford (Alice Larkin)  
4.00 pm Eucharist: 1<sup>st</sup> Family Instruction A  
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Esme D'Mello (friends)

### SUNDAY, 2 MAR. / 8-C

- Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving on her Birthday  
(Evelyn Calicdan)  
10.30 am Mass: † Edwin Tauro (Annie)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Redolpho Ruiz (family)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo



## Mother of Perpetual Help

Let Mary bring peace into your life. Join the Monday Novena Mass to *Our Mother of Perpetual Help*. Rosary at 6.40 pm, Mass at 7.00.  
*O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.*

## Focus on the Word

### 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time, Year C

Samuel 26.2-25; Corinthians 15.45-49; Luke 6.27-38

*Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you. Amen.*

## Pray for the Deceased

### Sister Anna Chan

The 85 victims of the ski resort fire  
in Turkey on 24 January



## Knights of Columbus 1.30 pm, 23 February

The next *Knights of Columbus*  
General Meeting will be held at 1.30 pm  
on 23 February. All members are asked  
to Assemble in the North Classroom.



## R&R Report, 23 February

The next R&R Report will be presented at all Masses on 22/23  
February. Some recent finance developments will be explained.

## COMING UP

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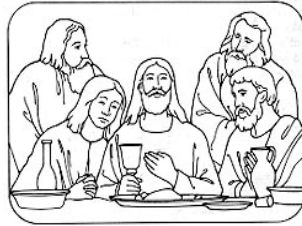
- 3 Mar. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
- 5 Mar. **Ash Wednesday;**  
- Lent begins; Day of Fast and Abstinence;  
- Parish Mass (8.00 am);  
- St. Maria Goretti School Liturgy (9.00 am);  
- ▶ St. Albert School Liturgy (1.00 pm);  
- Parish Mass (7.00 pm)
- 9 Mar. Infant Baptism (1.30 pm);  
- Liberal Party of Canada elects new leader
- 19 Mar. ▶ St. Albert School Mass (9:30 am);  
St. Maria Goretti School Mass (12:30 pm)
- 23 Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance**
- 29 Mar. Wedding: Barkhodaee & Alon (1:00 pm)
- 30 Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **ShareLife**
- 5 Apr. Wedding: Murcus & Girish (1:00 pm)
- 8 Apr. ▶ **King Charles & Queen Camilla** to visit Pope Francis
- 7 Apr. Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent meeting (7:40 pm)
- 12 Apr. Wedding: Amo & Nagales (1.00 pm)
- 20 Apr. **Easter Sunday: Resurrection of Our Lord**
- 31 May Feast of the **Visitation of Mary;**  
- **Day With Mary** (Villanova College, King City, 10 am – 4 pm)
- 2 Aug. ▶ **J.D. Vance**, birthday (1984)

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For more information on Parish activities, check pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

## Sacramental Preparation

- ☐ 1<sup>st</sup> Communion
- ☐ Confirmation



Remember in your prayers our parish youth who are preparing for their *First Holy Communion* and *Confirmation*:

1 & 2 March: **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Instruction #1**

SATURDAY: 4.00 pm; MONDAY: 6.00 pm.

22 & 24 March: **1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Instruction #2**

SATURDAY: 4.00 pm; MONDAY: 6.00 pm.

20 Feb., 4 & 6 March: **Confirmation Instructions, St. Albert School (1.10 pm, at the school)**

6, 20 & 27 March: **Confirmation Instructions, St. Maria Goretti School (9.10 am, at the school)**

## Saturday Confirmation Classes

Classes are held on Saturdays for students who are not in our Parish schools and who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The classes begin at 10.00 am, and last one hour. For information, call: **Lillian**, 647-909-6425.

## Volunteer Screening

Our Parish is updating the *Volunteer Screening* records of all volunteers and lay ministers who assist at St. Maria Goretti Church. Ministry Facilitators are asked to help their members to move this forward by working with **Glenda**, our Screening Coordinator. For further information, call her at: 647-614-7493.

## World Day of Prayer 2025 8 March Theme: "I made you wonderful."

The 2025 World Day of Prayer will be held in our Parish at 1.00 pm on Saturday, 8 March.

Our sisters from the Cook Islands have spent the last few years reflecting on this year's theme.



## Day With Mary 31 May Villanova College, King City

**Cardinal Francis Leo** invites the faithful to a day of prayer to seek the grace of the Jubilee Year by *encountering Jesus through Mary*. The day will include Mass, Rosary, Confessions, music, a keynote address, children's catechesis, fellowship and more.

## RCIA, RCIC

*Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children*



The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; the next meetings are on 21 & 28 February. The RCIC meets Saturday mornings; the next meetings are on 23 Feb. & 1 March.

## Family Movie Night 22 February



The Parish *Knights of Columbus* are hosting a Family Movie Night in the Hall on Saturday 22 Feb., following the 5 pm. Mass. Popcorn and juice will be provided. This month's movie: *The Lion King*. Come and join the fun and enjoy a great evening with other families.

## Chalice

Our Parish will welcome **Deacon Thomas Aquino** to represent *Chalice* at our Masses on: 1 & 2 March 2025.

*Chalice* is a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship group which supports vulnerable children in developing countries to complete their education. It had its roots in 1992 in Springhill, Nova Scotia. We have helped thousands of children grow up happy, healthy, and on their way to a hopeful future.



## A Special Gift ALTAR FLOWERS

We thank the family of **Quirino Reoloquio** for their gift of the beautiful flowers after his funeral on 23 September 2023. May he rest in peace.

## Stewardship

### 2024 Receipts, 2025 Envelopes

The Charitable *Tax Receipts* for all recorded donations during 2024 are in the Vestibule. They may be picked up after Mass.

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.

Parishioners are invited to pick up their *2025 Sunday Offertory Envelopes* in the Office Lobby after Mass. They are for registered parishioners only; if you are new to the parish and have not yet registered, *welcome to our neighbourhood!* Go to the Office window, introduce yourself, and complete a *registration form*.

Ensure that you have your own box: *the number on the label and on the envelopes* must be identical. If you notice any discrepancy, advise the parish office right away. If you use someone else's envelopes, your donation would be credited to the other person.

Please write the amount of your *donation* in the spaces provided on the front of your envelopes. (If you miss doing this, our financial advisors must stop to do so, and this *really* slows down the recording process.)



## Changes for our Parish Records

Please notify the Parish Office in person after Sunday morning Mass, or by phone at 416-261-0076, if you:

- Have had a change of address
- Have a new phone number, e-mail or cell phone

A simple phone call would keep our parish records updated and eliminate unnecessary postage, returned mail and dead-end calls.



Above:  
The **Knights of Columbus** stand with the Canadian flag, installed in the Sanctuary at the 5.00 pm Mass on 15 February 2025, the 60<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary of the unfurling of the new flag on Parliament Hill. The new Canadian flag replaced the earlier flag, which was a combination of the Union Jack with the Canadian red ensign.





