



Fr. Sebamalai S.  
Croos, missionary

## Parish Week / Sunday, 5 Oct. 2025

### Saturday, 4 Oct. / St. Francis of Assisi

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Antony)  
4.00 pm Blessing of Animals  
5.00 pm Mass: † Gerald Pellerin Sr.  
(Staff of St. Maria Goretti School)

### SUNDAY, 5 OCT. / 27-C

- Homilists: Fr. Sebamalai Sugunenthiran Croos and  
Fr. Peter Gitendran (Missionaries)
- Mission Coop Appeal, Trincomalee Diocese, Sri Lanka
- Fall Fair (9 am – 2 pm)

- 9.00 am Mass: † Lim Teng Chay & Lim Sy Eng Chan  
(Go family)  
10.30 am Mass: Int. Sabina Mendonca, on her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
(family)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Ranjit Savundranayagam (Brother)  
2.00 pm ► LIFE CHAIN (2 pm)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday, 6 Oct. / Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, virgin

- 8.00 am Mass: † Norah & Anthony Teixeira (family)  
7.00 pm Mass: † Mary Weerasingha (Malini)  
7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent meeting

### Tuesday, 7 Oct. / Our Lady of the Rosary

- 8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)

### Wednesday, 8 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Barbara Gacusana (Mom, Evelyn)

### Thursday, 9 Oct. / St. Denis, bishop & companions, martyrs

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Patricia D'Cunha (Esme)

### Friday, 10 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Cresencia Sardua (Chita & Josefa)

### Saturday, 11 Oct. / St. John XXIII, pope

- 8.00 am Mass: † Francesco & Teresa Di Michele (family)  
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Rodas family (Maria)

### SUNDAY, 12 OCT. / 28-C

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

- 9.00 am Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)  
10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto, Lydia & Justino Rodas (family)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Reginald Mendonca (family)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Focus on the Word

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C  
Habakkuk 1.2-4; 2 Timothy 1.6-14; Luke 17.5-10

*Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. . Amen.*

## Pray for the Deceased

Ann Jeanette Kneale, Ruben Matitu,  
Anita Salazar, Lourdes Sardua

The 70 victims of the Hypermarket mall fire  
in Kut City, Iraq.



## First Friday Holy Hour

Each First Friday, there is a *Holy Hour* at 6 pm,  
followed by the celebration of Mass at 7 pm.

The *Holy Hour* includes Exposition, the Litany  
of the Sacred Heart, Rosary, and Benediction.

For private use any time, the personal *Holy Hour*  
booklet may be obtained at the office for \$2.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections

### 5 October, Mission Co-Op, Diocese of Trincomalee

The Diocese of Trincomalee was created on 25 August 1893 along  
the Eastern coast of Sri Lanka. In 1850, there were five churches  
with 1,500 Catholics. Homilies were in English and Tamil.

The total population of the region is 1,607,865. Catholics number  
78,518, comprising 4.9% of the total. The current bishop is  
**Christian Noel Emmanuel**, who was born 25 December 1960. He  
became bishop of Trincomalee on 3 June 2015.

Our missionary preachers this year are **Fr. Peter Gitendran** and  
**Fr. Sebamalai Sugunenthiran Croos**.

### 12 October, Indigenous Healing

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection on Sunday, 12 October, will be to support the  
efforts of our diocese to advance *Indigenous Healing*.

## COMING UP

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| 18 Oct. | Wedding: Cadaoas & Carmona (3:00 pm)                |
| 19 Oct. | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>World Missions</i>   |
| 26 Oct. | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Maintenance</i>      |
| 3 Nov.  | Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent meeting (7:40 pm)   |
| 8 Nov.  | Wedding: Ylagan & Bermas (1:00 pm)                  |
| 9 Nov.  | Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)                            |
| 16 Nov. | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Shepherd Trust</i>   |
| 30 Nov. | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent                    |
|         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Maintenance</i>      |
| 1 Dec.  | Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent meeting (7:40 pm)   |
| 8 Dec.  | Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)                            |
| 25 Dec. | Christmas: Feast of the <b>Nativity of Our Lord</b> |
|         | - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Christmas</i>      |
| 28 Dec. | Feast of the <b>Holy Family</b>                     |
|         | - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Maintenance</i>    |

## Fall Fair

5 October  
9 am - 2 pm

Don't miss it! Our Parish is holding a FALL FAIR:

Sunday, 5 October, 9 am - 2 pm.

☐ Yard Sale ☐ Multicultural Food Tables

Tables available: \$25 to sell your wares.

Please contact: **Lillian**, 647-909-6425.



## ShareLife 2025

Thank you for your support of our 2025 Campaign. So far, we have raised:  
\$ 39,607.00 toward our goal of: \$ 75,000.00

*ShareLife* is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics, bring the hands of Christ to those in need.

Please donate, and help us reach our goal! Your generosity will help bring compassion and hope to others.



## Blessing of Animals 4 October, 4.00 pm

In honour of St. Francis of Assisi, the *Blessing of Animals* will be celebrated at 4 pm on Saturday, 4 October, in front of the main entrance. You are welcome to bring beloved pets for this blessing.

## ShareLife Fundraiser 12 October

St. Maria Goretti Parish will hold a *ShareLife* Fundraiser on Sunday, 12 October, featuring:

CWL Bake Sale ♥ Parish Yard Sale

## RCIA, RCIC Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children

### Coming Up:

RCIA meetings: 3 & 10 Oct.

RCIC meetings: 4 & 11 Oct.



**CATECHUMENATE RITE**, 5.00 pm, 25 October.

Parishioners are asked to pray for all the Candidates in our RCIA and RCIC processes, who celebrated their **Candidacy Rite** on 27 September. The next Rite is the **Catechumenate**, to be held at the 5 pm Mass on 25 October. May God bless and guide them.

## Altar Servers

### ANNUAL AWARDS MASS

**ST. BARNABAS CHURCH, 18 October**

The annual **Altar Server Awards Mass** will be celebrated at 10.00 am on Saturday, 18 October at:  
**ST. BARNABAS CHURCH, Scarborough.**



## LIFE CHAIN 5 October, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

All are asked to join this year's *Life Chain*: a silent hour of prayer on: **Sunday, 5 October, 2 - 3 pm.** Our assembly locations are:

**Danforth Avenue & Victoria Park Avenue,  
or Lawrence Avenue & Birchmount Road**

## Sunday School 10.30 am Mass

New Parishioners may be interested to know that St. Maria Goretti Parish has a *Sunday School for Kids* during the 10.30 am Mass. It's a great service for children who have not yet made their First Communion, and it gives the parents a chance to listen to the Scriptures and homily.



## Upcoming Weddings

*There is a promise of Marriage between:*

**John Kristopher Gaza & Sigrid Reyes**

*St. Joseph Cabalantian, Bacolor, Philippines, 17 October*

**Bradley Cadaoas & Elizza Carmona**

*18 October*

**Joseph Ylagan & Angeline Bermas**

*8 November*

**Jordan Chiarelli & Katrina Costo**

*22 November*

**Terry Rampersaud & Mary Ann Lumban**

*20 December*

**Carl Anthony De Abreu & Fatima Zuleyma Fuentes-Martinez**  
*2026*



John Kristopher Gaza with his Baptism certificate, to prepare for his Wedding on 17 October in Bacolor, Philippines.



## Trincomalee, Sri Lanka Mission Co-op Appeal, 2025

Bishop Christian Noel Emmanuel was born 25 December 1960 in Trincomalee. After secondary school, he entered the St. Joseph's Minor Seminary. During 1978-1981 he studied philosophy at the National Seminary of Kandy. After a year of regency, in 1983 he entered the St. Paul's Major Seminary, Triruchirappally, in India for theology studies, which completed in 1986.

He was ordained deacon 12 March, 1985 and was incardinated in the then undivided Diocese of Trincomalee-Batticaloa. He received priestly ordination on May 21, 1986, in the Cathedral of Trincomalee. He appointed Bishop of Trincomalee on June 03, 2015 by Pope Francis, who accepted the resignation of Bishop Joseph Kingsley Swampillai. The consecration and installation of the new bishop was held on July 25, 2015.





Above: **Liam Riazati**, a 17-month-old, died after a driver crashed into a Richmond Hill daycare on 10 Sept. He was remembered at a public memorial for his laughter, curiosity and for being “the heart of his family, to whom he brought light and happiness.”

Below: **Monica Harrison** at the volunteers’ table.



## Blessing for Animals *(feast of St. Francis of Assisi)*

Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless these pets. By the power of your love, enable them to live according to your divine will for creation. May we always praise you for all your beauty in our world. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.





*Above:* ST. AUGUSTINE SEMINARY ALUMNI REUNION, 17 Sept.  
*[l-r]* Fr. Alvin Joys, Deacon Victor Valdes, Fr. Edwin Galea, seminarian Judel Villardo, seminarian David Valencia.

*Below:* Seniors Day celebration, 1 October.  
 Parishioners & friends enjoy fellowship, good food and great conversations and reminiscing.





*Above: Kimberly Dickhout with Appreciation Certificate  
 Right: Participants in Linda's Walk, 2024.  
 Below: Fr. Edwin with Fr. John Pilkauskas, 17 September*



Linda's Walk, 2024



