

Let us pray for all the souls of the faithful departed.

"We loved them in life; let us not forget them in death."

- St. Ambrose

Parish Week / Sunday, 23 Nov. 2025

Sat., 22 Nov. / St. Cecilia, virgin & martyr, patroness of musicians

8.00 am Mass: † Aurea Gabales (Edison & Jiyi)

9.00 am funeral Mass: † Evelyn Mendoza

11.00 am Memorial Mass: † Eileen Ramkissoon

1.00 pm Wedding: Jordon Chiarelli & Katrina Costo

3.00 am Memorial Mass: † Salve Turiano

5.00 pm Mass: † Fernando & Beatriz Remedios (family)

SUNDAY, 23 NOV. / CHRIST THE KING

■ Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea

■ ►CWL pilgrimage: Hamilton, Stoney Creek & Niagara

9.00 am Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas (Pushpa Christy)

10.30 am Mass: † Clara Cruz (family)

12.00 pm Mass: † Tobias Enverga (Rosemer & family)

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 24 Nov. / St. Andrew Dung-Lac, *priest* and Companions, *martyrs*

8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Antony Bastiampillai)

7.00 pm Mass: † Marcel Gomes (David & Clara)

Tues., 25 Nov. / St. Catherine of Alexandria, virgin & martyr

8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)

7.00 pm Mass: † Simon and Thecla (David & Clara)

Wednesday, 26 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Eduardo Villanueva (Cristeta)

7.00 pm Mass: † Jacob & Suzana (David & Clara)

Thursday, 27 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Filomena Rodrigues (Annie)

7.00 pm Mass: † Deceased members, families of Clara & David

Friday, 28 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Clem D'Cunha (Esme)

7.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving 45th Anniversary of Priestly

Ordination of Fr. Edwin (CWL Council)

Saturday, 29 Nov.

■ Fr. Edwin Galea: Ordination Anniversary (1980)

8.00 am Mass: † Fr. Edilberto Gabales (Edison & Jiyi)

5.00 pm Mass: Int. Julie D'Cunha (Esme)

SUNDAY, 30 NOV. / ADVENT 1-A

■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

■ 2nd Collection: Maintenance

■ Christmas Fair

9.00 am Mass: † Josefina Mabaggiao (family)

10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto & Lydia Rodas (family)

11.30 am Catholic Women's League

12.00 pm Mass: † Edwin Tauro (Annie)

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

Christ the King Sunday, Year C Samuel 5.1-3; Colossians 1.12-20; Luke 23.35-43

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Rodrigo Flores, Fr. John Douglas Hilmer, Salve Turiano, Fr. Joseph Thomas Walsh



The 1,300 victims of the landslide in Sudan



St. Maria Goretti
1955-2025
70 Years of Faith

Celebrate the Past Imagine the Future

November Masses

During the month of November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, in addition to our regular weekday 8.00 am morning Mass, there will be an evening Mass: Monday to Friday at 7.00 pm.

Book of Remembrance

20 Dec.

21 Dec.

During November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, we will remember all the faithful departed of our families at our daily Masses. Parishioners may add the names of deceased family members in our November *Book of Remembrance*, in front of the pulpit.

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1 Dec.	Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent meeting (7:40 pm)
2 Dec.	▶ St. Albert School Reconciliation (9.30)
3 Dec.	St. Maria Goretti School Reconciliation (9.00)
6 Dec.	Advent Family Carol Night (6.15 pm)
7 Dec.	Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)
8 Dec. - ▶ Ad	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary lyent Retreat with Cardinal Collins (St. Lawrence Church, 7:00 pm)
12 Dec.	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - St. Maria Goretti School Mass (9.00 am) - ▶St. Albert School Mass (1.00 pm)
13 Dec.	Feast of St. Lucy - CWL: Advent <i>Reflection</i> (10.00 am,) Advent <i>Party</i> (6.30 pm)
14 Dec.	2 nd Collection: ShareLife Legacy
18 Dec.	St. Joan of Arc Academy Mass (8.50)

Wedding: Rampersaud & Lumban (1.00 pm)

- Advent Family Carol Night (6.15 pm)

4th Sunday of Advent

ShareLife 2025

Thank you for your support of our 2025 Campaign. As a result of our recent *ShareLife Endowment* Sunday collection, we collected a total of: \$12,330.00.



This means that, so far, we have raised: \$51,937.00 toward our goal of: \$75,000.00.

SINCERE THANKS to **Lillian D'Souza** and **Sheldon D'Cunha** for your effective presentations on behalf of our *ShareLife* Appeal at all the Masses on 1 / 2 November.

ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. This year's ShareLife campaign in our Parish ends with our final collection on: 14 December.

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

Shepherds' Trust Thank You!

Many thanks to all Parishioners for your generous support of our Shepherds' Trust collection, 16 November.

Sincere thanks to those who made the presentations on behalf of this Appeal at all the Masses on $8\,/\,9$ November:

5 pm **Lillian D'Souza** 9 am – **Cheryl Dalliday** 10.30 am Seminarian **David Valencia**

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12 noon Harrison Luis 7 pm – Peter Lobo.

The Shepherds' Trust is a vital support to our retired Priests.

Sacramental Preparation

Families of children in Catholic Schools were given Information packages in October to register for First Communion.



Registration for Confirmation will begin in November for students in Grade 7 in Catholic Schools. Students who are in other schools will be invited in December to register for their Saturday classes, which will start after New Year in 2026.



Please keep all the Adult and Youth candidates in your prayers. At the 5.00 pm Mass on

Saturday, 22 November

some of the participants who have been involved since the *Rite* of Election earlier this year will celebrate the Early Initiation Rite.

The RCIA is for adults who want to be Baptized; those who are Christian and not yet Catholic; and those who are already Catholic but have not received all the Sacraments of Initiation.

For more information on how you can help as a sponsor and prayer partner, call: **Fr. Edwin**, 416-261-0076.

ADVENT PREPARATIONS

Christmas Flowers

Parishioners are invited to sponsor this year's display of Christmas Poinsettias in our Sanctuary. Donation envelopes are at the Office window.



If you wish to *dedicate* your flowers, please fill out the "Christmas Flower" form in the donation envelope. Dedications will be accepted until noon on Monday, 22 December.

Christmas Bazaar

30 November, 9 am - 2 pm



Our Parish is holding a

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, Sunday, 30 Nov., 9 am - 2 pm.

A great way to pick up gifts for your families and friends.

A New Liturgical Year

The current liturgical year, "C," ends with the week after the Feast of **Christ the King**, which this year is on:

23 November 2025.

The next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent;

30 November 2025.

It starts a new Liturgical Year, "A" in our 3-year cycle of readings. The Sunday Gospels will be from the evangelist **Matthew**.

R&R Report 30 November

The November R&R REPORT will be presented at all Masses on 29 and 30 November. Proposals for new lighting in the Church will be described, as well as the design for the new *Anzano* shrine.

Youth Ministry Visit St. Augustine Seminary,

Visit St. Augustine Seminary 1.30 pm, 23 November



Our Parish Youth Ministry will be visiting St. Augustine Seminary this Sunday, 23 November, the Feast of Christ the King. Meet in our Vestibule after the 12 noon Mass to form the car pool groups. Youth under 18 years of age must have their *parental permit* slips. After the visit, lunch will follow at Pizza Nova.

A Special Gift HERITAGE STATUE

We thank **Paul Freitas and Jennifer Burns** and their family for their gift of the lovely heritage statue of the *Immaculate Heart of Mary*. This is a great help to our Parish devotions.

CWL Advent Reflection 10 am, 13 Dec.

Topic: THE BIRTH OF THE MESSIAH

Our speaker will be **Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan**, a Priest and Theologian of the Archdiocese of Toronto, known for his deep biblical insight and engaging teaching style.



Message for World Youth Day 23 November 2025

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo *Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto*

My Dear Brothers and Sisters, especially the Youth of the Archdiocese of Toronto,

May Jesus and Mary be in your soul.

I am writing to you on the occasion of the 40th World Youth Day, which is celebrated this year on November 23rd, the Solemnity of Christ the King. Many people don't realize that World Youth Day is an annual celebration that is observed locally. The larger international celebrations tend to draw more attention, with the next international gathering happening in Seoul Korea in 2027. Regardless of where World Youth Day happens, the invitation to pray, learn, serve, and celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ remains at the centre of all World Youth Days.

The 2025 World Youth Day's theme, from the Gospel of St. John, is: "You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me." (Jn 15:27) It highlights the importance of a **living encounter with Jesus, our King**. The dyad of *being with Jesus* and *giving witness to him* encapsulates the Christian life and reminds us that as Pilgrims of Hope, we journey with Christ the King into all spheres and sectors of life.

The Papal document inaugurating the Holy Year called *Spes* non Confundit (Hope Does Not Disappoint) draws special attention to some of the situations young people may find themselves in their daily life and walk of faith. For instance, we are told that in "the very embodiment of hope," young people often face very real struggles; the frustration of uncertain prospects after school, lack of dreams, employment, and the temptation to escape into harmful behaviors (Spes non Confundit, 12). As members of the Church, God's family of faith, we are called to draw close to adolescents, students, and young couples and reach out in accompaniment and support, restoring confidence and renewing hope that their dreams can be realized within God's plan (cf. Spes non Confundit, 12). The youth of the archdiocese play a special and crucial role in our proclamation of the Gospel because they witness among their peers in a way that only a friend is able. We look to our young people not as the Church of tomorrow but as witnesses of hope today.

The call to witness is not without challenge; it can be exhausting, discouraging and frustrating. Nevertheless, young people are called to give witness to God's love without fear, to lift up the weary, and to give testimony that Christ's kingdom is real, even amid times of struggle. To be a witness to God's love and hope is to stand with Christ in mission. The Solemnity of Christ the King reminds us that Jesus' reign is revealed in service and sacrifice. He is a King who washes feet (Jn 13:1–15), welcomes the poor (Mt 25:31–46), and forgives enemies (Lk 23:34). We have a great opportunity to mirror the Kingship of Jesus Christ in our lives - through courage in proclaiming our faith, consistency in living the Gospel, and perseverance in standing for justice and dignity (cf. *Christus Vivit*, 174–178).

Our celebration of World Youth Day during this special year of grace, the Jubilee, is more than a celebration; it is a **commissioning**. I am asking the youth of the Archdiocese of Toronto to bring the light of Christ into families, schools, workplaces, and the digital world. Be living and strong witnesses to hope in your realities. In dioceses around the world, young people will gather to reflect and pray, discovering anew that Jesus is alive in their midst, and that God's love knows no bounds. In our Archdiocese, I invite our young people (18-39) to consider joining us on the weekend of November 21-23 to celebrate our faith during our annual *Renew Toronto Conference*. Take seriously the call to be Pilgrims of Hope and heralds of a Kingdom that is continually breaking into the world, to be sacramental symbols who are imbued with God's love and divine care.

My dear Young People, I want you to know how **precious** you are in the eyes of God and of our archdiocesan family; you are **blessed** in so many ways; you have been **gifted** in numerous manners; you have enormous **potential** inside of you; you are under the **gaze** of the Lord Jesus; you have a **mission** to accomplish; you have the **abundant life** to live; **you are loved**. And we are here for you, accompanying you, challenging you, teaching you, encouraging you, loving you and walking with you. You are not alone - we care for you so very much.

May the Blessed Ever Virgin Mary, through her intercession and love for you, help you come to know the beauty you possess inside and the awesome part you are called to play in bringing about Christ's reign in the hearts, minds and very lives of the people the Lord places in your path.

Frank Cardinal Leo



Remembrance Day Ceremony -- Cérémonie du Jour du Souvenir 11-Nov-2025 -- St. Maria Goretti Church, Scarborough, ON





25th Wedding Anniversary, 2017

















The Wedding: Katrina & Jordon, 22 November.



