



Parish Week

Sunday, 13 Sept. 2026

Jesus Christ, my Lord!

Saturday, 12 Sept. / Most Holy Name of Mary

8.00 am Mass: † Deceased members of Vaccaro family (Maria Di Michele)

5.00 pm Mass: † Dorothy D'Souza (Children)

SUNDAY, 13 SEPT. / 24-A

■ Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

■ Sunday School resumes

■ ► Rosary Sunday (Martyrs' Shrine, Midland)

9.00 am Mass: † Greg C. Smith (St. Maria Goretti School Staff)

10.30 am Mass: † Angela Sivayohan (family)

12.00 pm Mass: † Rosario Rebello (family)

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 14 Sept. / Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8.00 am Mass: Int. Theresa Crasto (Esme D'Mello)

7.00 pm Mass: † Basanio & Antonia Bermudez (Eden & Lito)

Tuesday, 15 Sept. / Our Lady of Sorrows

8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)

Wed., 16 Sept. / Ss. Cornelius, pope & Cyprian, bishop, martyrs

8.00 am Mass: † Abella Deangkinay (Edna & Carmelo)

Thursday, 17 Sept. / St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor

8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Birthday (Gerard Nenezes)

Friday, 18 Sept.

8.00 am Mass: † Caroline Bastiampillai (family)

6.30 pm Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

7.00 pm Mass: † Holy Souls (Lillian D'Souza)

Saturday, 19 Sept. / St. Januarius, bishop & martyr

8.00 am Mass: † Profetiza Diaz (Shine Carta-Diaz)

1.30 pm Memorial Mass: † Eileen Ramkissoon

4.30 pm Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

5.00 pm Mass: † Amy Franco (Annie)

SUNDAY, 20 SEPT. / 25-A

■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

■ 2nd Collection: Needs of Church in Canada

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

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

12.00 pm Mass: † Jesus Serneo (Helen)

6.30 pm Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Sunday School

Resumes 13 September

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.

Kids who want to join the Sunday School should be in the Church before Mass. When Mass begins, they will be called to come up in front of the Altar with their teachers for the Priest's blessing. Afterwards, they will be led to their room for the Sunday School.

For more details, call: **Anna** or **Maria**, 416-875-0324.



Focus on the Word

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Sirach 27.30-28.7; Romans 14.7-9; Matthew 18.21-35

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Cirilo Jimenez Jr.

The 14 children who died under a roof collapse at school in Lahore.



END OF SUMMER Dinner Dance

6.00 – 11.00 pm, 19 Sept.

2 Special Dance Spectacles:

SONIA'S TROUPE,

FILIPPINO PERFORMERS

Door Prizes, 50/50 Draw, Line Dancing

Tickets: \$35; Over 65 years: \$30; Kids under 12: free.

For tickets, call: **Harrison**, 416-278-0951



2nd Collection

20 September: Bishops' Collection for the needs of the Church in Canada

The 2nd collection next Sunday will be for the *Bishops' Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada*.



COMING UP

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24 Sept. ► Beatification of **Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen** (St. Louis, USA) by **Cardinal Luis Antonio Gokim Tagle**, delegate of **Pope Leo XIV**

25 Sept. ► **Pope Leo** travels to France, visits UNESCO in Paris and the Shrine of *Notre Dame de Lourdes*

26 Sept. ► *Linda's Walk* (St. Bonaventure Church)

27 Sept. 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**; St. Vincent De Paul Bundle Up Sunday

29 Sept. Feast of **St. Michael the Archangel**

4 Oct. Jubilee Year: ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, 800th Anniversary of death; 2nd Collection: **Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation**; Fall Fair (9 am – 2 pm); ► LIFE CHAIN (2 pm)

5 Oct. Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)

10 Oct. Rosary Rally (10 am – 12 pm)

12 Oct. **Thanksgiving**

17 Oct. Memorial Mass: † Salve Turiano (11 am); Wedding: Villanueva & Joseph (1:30 pm)

ShareLife 2026

Thank you for supporting our parish's *ShareLife* campaign this year.

So far, we have raised: \$ 43,111.00
toward our 2026 goal of: \$ 99,000.00

Our next *ShareLife* collection will be on: **1 November**.

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



SUMMER FAIR, 30 August

Thank You to all who helped to make our Krispy Kreme Donut Fundraiser and Summer Fair successful. The donuts were sold on 23 August, as originally scheduled; but, due to the weather the Fair itself had to be moved to 30 August. A special word of gratitude to the generous donor who actually paid the cost of the donuts. As a result of this kind act, we were able to raise almost \$3,000.00.

Fr. Henrikus

Congratulations to **Fr. Henrikus Suharyono**, who was ordained in Riau, Indonesia on 10 September 2026. Fr. Henrikus, a member of the Sacred Heart Congregation, assisted at St. Thomas More Parish during the course of his formation. *Ad Multos Annos* !

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

The next group meetings:

RCIA Adults, 11 & 18 Sept. at 7.30 pm

RCIC Youth, 12 & 19 Sept. at 10.00 am.



Do you know people who have told you they are thinking of becoming Catholic? Tell them to leave a message for the Pastor at the parish office: 416-261-0076, and let them know when the next meeting for Inquirers will be held. Make sure to invite them to come to Church with you and experience what shared prayer and a spirit-filled community are all about.

A Special Gift VOTIVE CANDLES

We thank the **Youth Ministry** for their gift of the Votive Candles from the Tenebrae Liturgy on 28 March 2026.

Bundle Up Sunday 27 September

On the weekend of 26/27 Sept., the *St. Vincent de Paul Society* will collect gently-used clothing to support the needy. Bring your donation to the Vestibule, and help others in our community.



R&R Report, 27 September

The next R&R Report will be presented at all Masses on 26/27 September. Some recent finance developments will be explained.

The Sacrament of Baptism

*Congratulations to the newest members of our Church,
born again in water and the Spirit
as brothers & sisters of Jesus:*

25 April

Mayumi Jianna Miranda

26 April

**Baxter Allan Garcia Gallant
Mayumi Jianna Miranda**

2 May

Lara Aryana Walizada

9 May

**Miana Brielle G. Mabazza
Osiah Giovanni Marksman
Kloud Chesler Montemayor**

16 May

**Elliot Archer Aubé
Enzo Gabriel Fischer
Azarri Zaire Joyles
Luna Lilly Kattan
Azriel Mavi Lusterio
Theodore Abdel-Nour**

17 May

Clive Theodore Ng Lee

23 May

**Lilianna Lorna Dight
Chad Matthew Pacana**

30 May

Ethan Joaquin Malabanan

31 May

**Raymond Ace Apellido
Eliana Amiee Brotonel
Zac Sebastian Catajov**

12 June

Ethan Versace Venigas

13 June

Ryia Irie Ballie

20 June

**Davina Oluwadamilola
Brianna J. Villaflores**

27 June

**Callahan Socorro Cook Canete
Adriano Costantio Crosbie-Ferrull
Ezra David Miller**

11 July

Marcus Walter Uzer

12 July

Isabella Rose Mawrseio

15 July

**Jayce Cruz Libaque
Solana Mafi Libaque**

Monsignor Frank McDevitt

From: Cardinal Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto

I am pleased to share the joyful news that **Pope Leo XIV** has appointed Reverend Frank McDevitt a “Chaplain of His Holiness,” bestowing upon him the title of MONSIGNOR. This distinction is an honorary title incorporating him into the papal household and a well-deserved recognition of Msgr. McDevitt’s many years of faithful and generous service to the Church and the people of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Throughout his priestly ministry, he has served with great dedication and humility, offering a steadfast witness to the Gospel and a deep commitment to those entrusted to his care.

Monsignor McDevitt was ordained in 1984. He is currently the pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Toronto. He previously served as Pastor of St. Martin de Porres Parish (Scarborough), St. John the Evangelist Parish (Caledon), St. Mary’s Parish (Barrie), St. Paul’s Basilica (Toronto) and Our Lady of Grace Parish (Aurora).

We are also immensely grateful for Monsignor McDevitt’s ministry, since 2018, as the Archbishop’s *Delegate for Misconduct*, ensuring that our safe environment policies are fully updated and implemented.

I look forward to participating in a special Mass to be held on Sunday, 27 September 2026 at 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, where we will have the opportunity to recognize this special honour. All are welcome to attend and give thanks for Monsignor McDevitt’s faithful service.

Please join me in congratulating Msgr. McDevitt. We offer grateful prayers for his continued ministry among us.

A bit of background about Monsignor McDevitt

Fr. Frank was raised on the farm where his father was born, on the Gore Road in the Town of Caledon. After high school, he trained as a development service worker and worked with people with special needs. His distracted youth found him backpacking in Europe for an extended period of time and working for a period as a lay missionary in Kingston, Jamaica.



Fr. Frank attended St. Thomas University in Fredericton and completed his undergraduate degree while working full time. He attended St. Augustine Seminary from 1980 to 1984 and was ordained in November of 1984.

He has served in several parishes in the diocese and assists Cardinal Leo as his Delegate for Misconduct.

He collects Canadian art and has a keen interest in the history of the Church in Canada. Of particular interest is how the identity of the Catholic people has evolved over the years.

Novena to St. Michael, 18-26 Sept. 2026

A *novena*, meaning nine, is an ancient style of prayer that is carried out consistently over a nine-day period for a special intention and is directed to the intercession of a *Saint, Our Lady, an Angel* or to a *Divine Person of the Blessed Trinity*.

The nine days, or *novena*, originates in the number of days between Jesus’ Ascension and Pentecost, during which the Blessed Mother and the Apostles were together in constant prayer until the descent of the Holy Spirit (see Acts 1: 6-14).

To pray a novena, some things should be kept in mind:

□ First, we approach the Lord with faith, trust and in a humble, loving manner.

□ Second, we choose a particular intention to be mentioned throughout the novena.

□ Three, we decide to whom we address this prayer, the intercession of Our Lady or a Saint or Angel in particular.

To determine the novena’s starting date, count backwards nine days from the Saint’s feast day; the last day of the novena is the day before the Saint’s feast day.

In 2026, the Archdiocese of Toronto is celebrating the Solemnity of Saint Michael the Archangel on Sunday, 27 September, which means that this year’s novena begins on Friday, 18 September. The pattern of prayer is the same for each day: the Opening Prayer, which includes your specific intention, followed by one OUR FATHER, HAIL MARY and GLORY BE, and ending with the PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL and a short litany. If you miss a day, just keep going: the main focus of any prayer is always about deepening our relationship with God and dwelling in his loving embrace.

Opening Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, loyal champion of God and His People. I turn to you with confidence and seek your powerful intercession. For the love of God, Who made you so glorious in grace and power, and for the love of the Mother of Jesus, the Queen of the Angels, be pleased to hear my prayer. You know the value of my souls in the eyes of God. May no stain of evil ever disfigure its beauty. Help me to conquer the evil spirit who tempts me. I desire to imitate your loyalty to God and Holy Mother Church and your great love for God and people. Since you are God’s messenger for the care of His people, I entrust to you these intentions:

(Specific intentions need only be recited on the 1st day.)

Lord, hear and grant my special intentions for this Novena that I bring before You.

Pray for me, St. Michael, and also for those I love.

Protect me in all dangers of body and soul. Help me in my daily needs. Through your powerful intercession, may I live a holy life, die a happy death and reach Heaven where I may praise and love God with you forever. Amen.

OUR FATHER, HAIL MARY, GLORY BE.

Instructions: Pray this prayer daily for nine days.

The Bastian family



Gerardina and friends



Journei and family prepare for her Baptism.





28 August 2026: Feast of St. Augustine, and the inauguration of the new Ecclesiastical Faculty of Theology at St. Augustine Seminary.





The Exodus XV window in St. John Chapel,
St. Michael Cathedral Basilica, Toronto.







Frank D'Angelo, founder of the ST. JOSEPH CENTRE FOR WOMEN, collects the *Baby Bottles for Life* from St. Maria Goretti Parish.

Frank met supporters at the 8.00 am Mass, 1 September 2026.



Pope Leo XIV and Bernard Arnault 25 Aug. 2026

Bernard Arnault, chairman of LVMH* in France, met Pope Leo with members of his own family on 25 August at the Apostolic Palace in Castel Gandolfo. Mr. Arnault later said that the encounter was a blessing. The timing was quite interesting; this meeting came as preparations intensified for the Pope's visit to France, 25-28 September. On the same day, *Vanity Fair* placed the Pope among the world's best-dressed personalities. Mr. Arnault has a personal connection with one of the main features of Paris: Notre-Dame Cathedral. Following the devastating fire of April 2019, the Arnault family generously pledged €200 million toward the cathedral's reconstruction.

In the restoration project, carpenters rebuilt the medieval roof framework using 1,200 oak trees and hand-crafted joinery. The original spire was replaced with an authentic replica, topped with a new gilded rooster containing holy relics. Modern fire safety systems and brick trusses were added to strengthen the roof. The cost of the work exceeded € 1 billion; fine glass work is ongoing. The REOPENING OF NOTRE-DAME DE PARIS was celebrated with a Solemn Mass on 7 December 2024.

* Louis Vuitton Moët Hennessy

