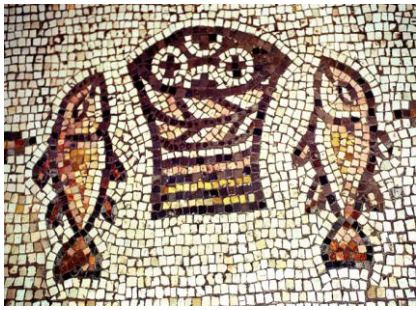


Parish Week

Sunday, 1 Nov. 2026

Saturday, 31 Oct.

8.00 am Mass: † Antonio & Maria Cifaldi (Irma Pisciola)
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Birthday Isabelle Gracias (friends)

Sunday, 1 Nov. / All Saints Day

■ *Homilist: Bishop Vincent Nguven*
■ *2nd Collection: **ShareLife** Endowment*

9.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Antony)
10.30 am Mass: † Francis Duallan (Corine Maulion)
12.00 pm Mass: † Souls in Purgatory (Corine Maulion)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 2 Nov. / All Souls Day

8.00 am Mass: † Souls in Purgatory
7.00 pm Mass: † All Souls in Purgatory (Eddie & Theresa)
7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent Godparent meeting

Tuesday, 3 Nov. / St. Martin de Porres, *religious*

8.00 am Mass: † Caroline Bastiampillai (family)
7.00 pm Mass: † Pamela Parco (family)

Wednesday, 4 Nov. / St. Charles Borromeo, *bishop*

8.00 am Mass: † Robert Del Castillo (Corine Maulion)
7.00 pm Mass: † Nunziato Sidoti (family)
7.30 pm ▶Pastoral Plan launch (Holy Redeemer Church)

Thursday, 5 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Souls in Purgatory (Corine Maulion)
7.00 pm Mass: † Juan Trinidad (family)

Friday, 6 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Consuelo Gotera (family)
6.00 pm Holy Hour
7.00 pm Mass: † Souls in Purgatory (Lillian)

Saturday, 7 Nov.

8.00 am Mass: † Barbara Gacusana (Evelyn, Mom)
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Malini Wijesinghe & † Mary Weerasingha (friends)

Sunday, 8 Nov. / 32-A

■ *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*

9.00 am Mass: † Vincenzo Grande (family)
10.30 am Mass: † Joan & Frank DeVerno (Pamela)
12.00 pm Mass: † Babies Alleluia & Glory D'Cunha (family)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

R&R Report, *8 November*

The next R&R Report will be presented at all Masses next Sunday. Some recent finance developments will be explained.

Focus on the Word

The Solemnity of All Saints

Revelation 7.2-14; 1 John 3.1-3; Matthew 5.1-12

Almighty ever-living God, by whose gift we venerate in one celebration the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, we pray, through the prayers of so many intercessors, an abundance of the reconciliation with you for which we earnestly long. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased



The **4,000 victims** of the **double earthquake** in **Venezuela** in **June.**

Fall Time Change *1 November*



"Spring ahead, Fall back." Parishioners are reminded that this weekend is the *Fall Time Change*. Eastern Standard Time resumes (and Daylight Savings Time ends) at 2.00 am on Sunday, 1 November. Make sure to update your clocks, watches, coffee makers, microwave ovens, dashboard clocks, and any other device that keeps you connected to the universe.

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

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.

2nd Collection: 1 November, *ShareLife Endowment*

On *ShareLife Endowment* Sunday, the 2nd collection will be for our annual *ShareLife Appeal*, to support all the agencies that help us to live the Gospel by caring for our brothers and sisters in need.

Help us to reach our Parish goal of $99,000.00.

We can make a real difference in the lives of those counting on us.

Coming Up

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12 Nov.	St. Maria Goretti School Mass (9:30 am); ▶St. Albert School Mass (12:30 pm)
14 Nov.	Lectors Reflection, with Deacon Ramon (2-4 pm)
15 Nov.	2nd Collection: ***Shepherds' Trust***
20 Nov.	▶Renew Toronto, conference for Young Adult Catholics
22 Nov.	Feast of St. Cecilia, patroness of Musicians
28 Nov.	CWL *Advent Day of Reflection* (2-4 pm)
29 Nov.	**1st Sunday of Advent** 2nd Collection: Maintenance
5 Dec.	CWL Advent Dinner (6.30 pm)
25 Dec.	**Christmas** 2nd Collection: *Christmas*
27 Dec.	2nd Collection: *Maintenance*

Ministry Sunday 2026

Many thanks to all who participated in our Annual *Ministry Sunday* on 25 October. A special *Thank You* to all who offered their names to serve in various parish ministries. Soon, our parish Volunteer Screening Committee will finish reviewing the list of candidates, to make sure they are registered in our parish, etc. Then, the Ministry Facilitators will be contacting you to arrange the follow-up so you can begin the orientation process to share your talents in our parish family of faith and service.

A special word of **Thanks** to Eddie and Theresa D'Souza, for organizing the information placed on the Vestibule tables about the various Ministries in our Parish. Our appreciation also goes out to Lillian D'Souza, Harrison Luis, Antonio Facchini, Collins Onumba and Derish Denison for the setup and take down of the tables, literature and displays,

ShareLife 2026

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

So far, we have raised: $ 44,936.00
toward our 2026 goal of: $ 99,000.00

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

Join us at the 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday, 1 November as we welcome **Ramuel Villardo**, known as "The Fighting Minister." Ramuel serves as Pastoral & Spiritual Care Advisor at Covenant House Toronto, where he offers compassionate care and spiritual guidance to young people experiencing homelessness and other challenging circumstances.

Come hear his inspiring story and learn how *ShareLife* puts our faith into action by supporting vulnerable individuals and families through Catholic social services. Together, let us share Christ's love and bring hope to those in need!

In addition, at the 9.00 and 10.30 am Masses, we will have the honour of welcoming **Lysle Kintanar**, from the Pastoral Mission Fund, who will share the experience of her work for *ShareLife*. Lysle helps to organize the annual Mission Co-op.

Sacramental Preparation

***Confirmation**: Orientation & Calendar, 17 October*

Orientation & Calendar review will be at 10.00 am on 7 November for the Sacrament of *Confirmation* for students who are not in our Parish schools. For details, call: **Fr. Edwin**, 416-261-0076.

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



The next group meetings:

RCIA Adults 30 Oct. & 6 Nov., 7.30 pm

RCIC Youth 7 & 21 Nov. at 10.00 am.

Pastoral Visit of Bishop Nguyen

31 October – 1 November



Our Parish is honoured to host a visit from our local shepherd, His Excellency **Bishop Vincent Nguyen**, the Auxiliary Bishop of the Eastern Pastoral Region, on the weekend of All Saints Day, 1 November 2026. We pray that God will grant us numerous blessings in this time. See the website bulletin for details.

Pope Leo in South America *6 – 17 November*

We lift up in our prayers our dear Holy Father, **Pope Leo XVI**, as he prepares for his pastoral visit to Uruguay, Argentina and Peru. His doctors said there are no medical reasons preventing him from traveling three weeks after lung cancer surgery.

Archdiocese Day for Palliative Care

Today, we recognize the importance of *Palliative Care* in our lives, reflecting upon the information made available on the Archdiocese Day for Palliative Care, the last Sunday of October.

This is a special kind of healthcare for individuals and families who are living with a life-limiting illness. The goal of Palliative Care is to provide comfort and dignity for persons living with the illness, as well as the best quality of life for both the individual and their family. It meets not only physical needs, but also aims to meet psychological, social, cultural, emotional and spiritual needs so they may live out their remaining time in comfort and dignity.

A Special Gift Perpetual Help Prayer Cards

We thank the family of our dear sister **Monica Camps** for their gift of the new laminated *Our Lady of Perpetual Help* prayer cards for our use at our Monday evening Masses. This donation in Monica's memory is deeply appreciated.

New Altar Server Novices *24 October*

Saint Maria Goretti Parish prayerfully congratulates our new Altar Server Novices, installed at the 5.00 pm Mass on 24 October:

Sophie Marie Doiron, Nemar Charles Ducot, Edreena and Gatriana Edrintony, Jairus Kent Gotera, Samantha Maddara Joyag, Carl Justin Macapagal.

Catholic Cemeteries All Souls Mass

2.00 pm, Saturday, 7 November

2 November, All Souls Day, also called the *Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed*, is a day of prayer and remembrance for our deceased friends. Through prayer, intercession, alms and visits to cemeteries, people commemorate their departed loved ones.

Catholic Cemeteries wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls Day Mass at 2 pm on Saturday, 7 November. Masses will be held indoors. The locations nearest to us are:

Christ the King Cemetery, Markham (Reception Centre)
Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill (Holy Family Mausoleum)

Bishop Vincent Hieu Manh Nguyen

Auxiliary Bishop of the Eastern Region

St. Maria Goretti Parish is truly honoured to welcome **His Excellency, the Most Reverend Vincent Nguyen**, on the occasion of his pastoral visit to our faith community, 30 October to 1 November 2026.

Bishop Nguyen is Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto with the responsibility for the *Eastern Region*, which includes 40 parishes and missions in Scarborough and Durham Region.

Bishop Nguyen was born on 8 May 1966 in Gia Dinh, Saigon, Vietnam. He left Vietnam in 1983, and arrived in Canada in 1984. After finishing his high school education in Toronto, he attained a Bachelor of Applied Science (*Electrical Engineering*) from the University of Toronto in 1991.

He then entered St. Augustine Seminary, Toronto, where he earned his Masters of Divinity. He was ordained to the priesthood on 9 May 1998. Bishop Nguyen was awarded a licentiate in Canon Law from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (*Angelicum*), Rome in 2008. He was appointed Vice-Chancellor of Spiritual Affairs in August 2008. In September 2009, Bishop Nguyen was appointed as Chancellor of Spiritual Affairs and Moderator of the Curia. On 6 November 2009, Pope Benedict XVI appointed him Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto. His episcopal ordination took place at St. Michael Cathedral on 13 January 2010.

In addition to his regional responsibilities, Bishop Nguyen is also the Vicar for Permanent Deacons.

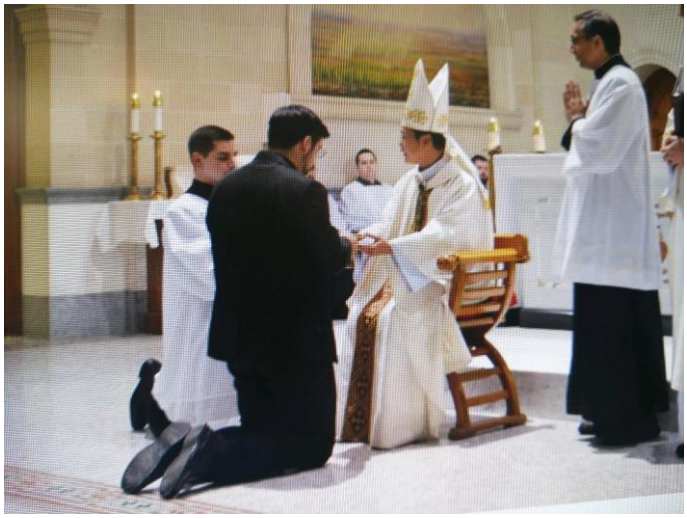


The Coat of Arms for Bishop Nguyen

The shield of the coat of arms of Bishop Nguyen is on a standard with a cross bearing the five wounds of Christ. The shield has two main sections.

The top section is based on the Book of Revelation 7:9, where the multitude of martyrs, waving palm branches in their hands, stand before the throne of the Lamb. The drop of blood between two palm branches has special family significance for Bishop Nguyen, as his great-great-grandfather is one of the Vietnamese Martyrs. The bottom half refers to the mandate given to the Apostles to be fishers of men; and also recognizes the Bishop as one of the boat people who came to Canada from Vietnam.

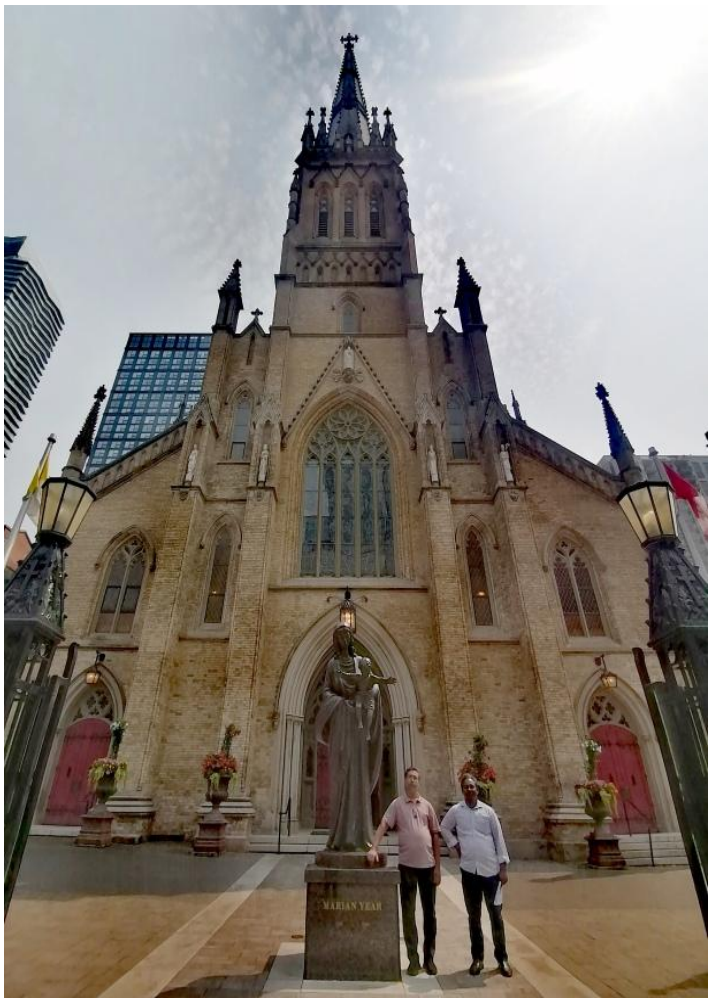
His motto, "Ego Vobiscum Sum" (*I am with you*) are the words of Jesus at the end of Matthew's Gospel (Mt. 28:20). It is a reminder to the bishop that the Triune God is with him as he responds to his Episcopal call to be present and engaged with the People of God as they together bear witness to Christ.











(*Above*:) Bishop Nguyen presided at the Ordination Mass of nine men who responded to God's call and were ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on Saturday, 23 May 2026, at St. Michael Cathedral Basilica, with their family members, clergy, friends and faithful from across the archdiocese.

(*Right*, top:) Fr. Thomas and Fr. Wilson, T.O.R. Franciscans from Kerala, India, visit St. Michael Cathedral during their Mission Co-op visit in July 2026.

(*Right*, below:) Bishop Nguyen at his episcopal ordination at St. Michael Cathedral, 9 May 1998.

(*Below*:) Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica, Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City).









St. Augustine Seminary
Seminarian Matthew Kanemy
with Fr. Edwin Galea







Preparing
for Baptism





Celebrating Baptism





