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### Priests

Rev. Paolos F. Beraki – PASTOR

Rev. Eugene D'Avella – In Residence(Retired)

Rev. Henry Alva – Counsellor (416-371-8648)

Rev. Binyam Yacob Kebede – In Res. (Hospital chaplain)

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

#### Monday to Friday

8 am – Italian; 7 pm English

#### Saturday

8 am – Italian; 5pm - English

#### Sunday:

10:00 am – Italian

8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 5:00 pm - English

#### CONFESSION

Every Saturday @ 4 – 5 pm, other days please call for appointment

#### MEMORIAL MASS

Please call the office to schedule

#### BAPTISM

Contact parish office 2 months in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

#### MARRIAGE

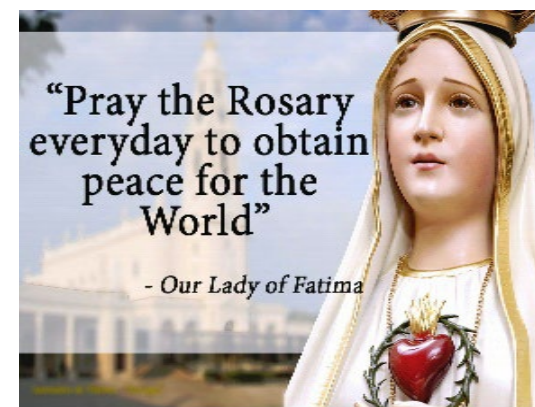
Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance.

#### ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament of Anointing, please call the office.

#### COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please notify the parish office.



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
8:30 am – 6:45 pm

### Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every  
Wednesday  
@ 7 pm Mass



### Monday - Saturday

9am – 12 noon

1 pm – 5 pm

Sunday: 9 am – 1 pm



### ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING

every Friday @  
4:30 - 5:30 pm -CHURCH  
New member is welcome.

### YOUTH GROUP IS BACK.....

Next meeting: Friday,  
January 23 @ 6 pm - 7:30 pm  
Mother Teresa  
Come for an evening of  
prayer, fellowship, and  
community.

### PRAY TOGETHER

Come and join us praying  
the Rosary & Chaplet of  
Divine Mercy @ 6:00 pm  
Wednesdays – Fridays  
followed by 7 pm mass

### Seniors Group

Will resume Feb. 4  
Wednesday @ 9 -12  
In Mother Teresa Hall  
Come and have fun....

Those who are interested to have Our Lady  
Of Fatima Statue to visit their home for a  
week, call: Edith @ 416-420-5185



**Welcome, new parishioners!**

We are glad you are here. Come to the office to register to be part of our community.



January 4, 2026 – BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The Gospel reading presents a quiet yet powerful moment at the beginning of Jesus’ public life. It is a scene filled with humility, obedience, and affirmation. Jesus steps into the river not because He needs cleansing, but because He chooses solidarity. He stands where ordinary people stand. He enters the water where sinners, seekers, and the broken line up. This moment reminds us that God often begins great things in very ordinary places. When Jesus rises from the water, something extraordinary happens. Heaven seems to open. The Spirit descends gently, not in chaos or force, but in peace. And then comes the voice of affirmation. Before Jesus teaches, heals, or performs miracles, He is affirmed. He is named as beloved. This order is important. Identity comes before activity. Love comes before achievement.

This passage reminds us that God’s voice speaks love before performance. You are not valuable because of what you do. You do meaningful things because you are already valued. This passage reassures us that when we step forward in trust, we do not step alone. God meets us there.

It also reminds us that God delights in His children. Not because they are perfect, but because they belong to Him. In a world that constantly measures worth by likes, titles, and achievements, this is a radical message. You are loved. You are seen. You are enough.



L'amore contemplato nel mistero del Natale si manifesta oggi nel gesto di Gesù che si fa battezzare da Giovanni. Non è più l'umiltà del Dio fatto bambino, ma quella dell'uomo maturo che assume i tratti del "servo" (I Lettura) per rendersi solidale con gli uomini e adempiere la missione affidatagli dal Padre, la salvezza "per tutti" (II Lettura). L'amore non ammette distanze perché quando ami desideri condividere tutto con la persona amata. Per questo Cristo si è immerso, si è inabissato nella condizione umana divenendo "uno di noi", perché dal fondo di ogni storia ferita dal peccato risalisse la vita nuova quale annuncio pasquale. Al silenzio di un gesto tanto umile risponde la voce del Padre; una parola così personale e profonda da sostenere e plasmare un'intera esistenza: «Questi è il Figlio mio, l'amato: in lui ho posto il mio compiacimento» (Vangelo). Questa stessa parola è rivolta a noi, "figli nel Figlio", consacrati nel sacramento del Battesimo e intimamente uniti a Cristo per la stessa missione: beneficiare, risanare, far conoscere a tutti l'amore di Dio. Non ci resta che tuffarci... vivificati dall'unico Spirito che nidifica come colomba nel cuore dei "piccoli".

*vita vangelo preghiera parole*

# Tu, Dio tra noi!

Signore Gesù, Figlio amato, sei venuto tra noi peccatori percorrendo i nostri stessi sentieri di conversione. Non una cattedra, non una posizione di superiorità! Tu hai scelto e vissuto il nostro stesso camminare nel mondo per incontrare Dio.

Non ci hai svelato un Dio irraggiungibile, onnipotente e lontano, ma il volto di un Dio, come padre vicino e pastore attento.

Tu, figlio amato, sei sceso in campo per noi, senza disdegnare la nostra fragilità e il nostro peccato: sei sceso tra noi per sollevarci verso Dio. Noi ti lodiamo e ti ringraziamo! Amen.

cfr. Lc 3,15-16.21-22 - [www.cantalavita.com](http://www.cantalavita.com)  
Testo: sr Mariangela Tassielli, fsp - Elaborazione Grafica: Dalia Mariniello.

Chapter 6 The Sacraments of Initiation

**Baptism**

Symbol	Meaning
Water	cleansing, death to an old life of sin and rebirth into new life with Christ
Oil	anointing with Christ (the “anointed one”), we belong to him, we receive the Holy Spirit who protects, guides, strengthens
White garment	purity, happiness, and a new identity of living in union with the Lord
Candle	Christ is the light of the world and his followers should be Christ’s light to others

*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.*  
Matthew 11:28

**+ DON'T BE AFRAID +**

**LA CONFESSIONE**

**ABBRACCIATI DA GESÙ**

«Il perdono di Dio è più forte di ogni peccato».  
Papa Francesco

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Please come to the office

**Volunteers**  
We appreciate you!

**Happy Sunday**

Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, January 10**  
**5:00 PM – † COMMUNITY**  
**SUNDAY, January 11– The Baptism of the Lord**  
**8:00 AM – †** Deceased Members of Vu Family  
**10:00 AM – †** Luigi Laurora; Raffaele Guerino, Bernadetta Buehena  
**12:00 PM -** Santification of all priests & religious; Thanksgiving for Nieve Taguiana; Birthday blessings of Lincoln Alexander Wise  
† Norvic Lapinig; All souls  
**5:00 PM – †** Rizalina & Leonardo Alvaro

**MONDAY, January 12**  
**8: 00 am – †**  
**9:30 am – Funeral - Laura Bracone**  
**7:00 pm – †**

**TUESDAY, January 13 – St. Hilary**  
**8:00 AM - †**  
**7:00 PM - †** Simon D’Souza

**WEDNESDAY, January 14**  
**8:00 AM †**  
**7:00 PM †**

**THURSDAY – January 15**  
**8:00 AM – †** Simon & Thelma Nazareth  
**7:00 PM – †** Gina Filice

**FRIDAY – January 16**  
**8:00 AM – †**  
**7:00 PM - †** Clemente Varbaro  
**7:45 PM – †** Diego & Giacomina Curto

**SATURDAY – January 10**  
**8:00 AM †**  
**5:00 PM – †**

Remember those who have died in our prayers esp:  
**Elena Moretti, Laura Braconi**  
*Eternal rest grant unto them O LORD, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**

Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**PREGHIERA PER I SOFFERENTI**

Signore abbi pietà di coloro che sono infermi, e sono in una profonda tristezza, se Tu vuoi, puoi aiutarli a "vedere" e a guarire. Illumina i medici nel curare i loro mali; rendi più efficaci le cure e gli interventi sulla malattia. Dai loro la forza di reagire al dolore e per collaborare con gli Angeli della guarigione. Amen.

**APRIL 10 - 12, 2026**

**DIVINE MERCY NATIONAL SHRINE**  
Stockbridge, Massachusetts, USA

**PILGRIMAGE TRIP**  
**and Register to attend the Mercy Weekend Conference 2026 – April 11**  
**To Register: Marian.Org**  
Event: April 11 Mercy Weekend Conference 2026

**Speakers:**  
**Rev. Mark Baron, MIC, Director**  
**Very Rev. Chris Alar, MIC,**  
**Rev. Donald Calloway, MIC**

**Itinerary:**  
**Departure:** April 10 @ 9 am – St. Wilfrid’s  
**Cost: \$360 per person – 4 in a room**  
Includes bus, 2 nights accommodation, breakfast  
**Valid Canadian passport and US Visa for non Canadian**  
**Passport holder required**  
A deposit of \$150 for reservation  
**Call: Office: 416-840-3111**

Come & See - Discernment Weekend Retreat -  
February 27 - March 1, 2026 at St. Augustine’s Seminary  
The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine’s Seminary on Friday, February 27 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 1 (2 p.m.).  
Registration must be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)  
For more information, email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

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Sunday, January 18, 2026, 4:00 p.m. EST  
**Venue:** Runnymede United Church, 432 Runnymede Rd, Toronto, ON M6S 2Y8  
**Theme:** “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the hope of your calling” (Ephesians 4:4)  
Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church.  
This event is jointly organized by the Office for Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations and the GTA Council of Christian Churches.