

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

+ Hugh & Gerdie Doherty  
Requested by Maureen Carr

### Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

+ Giuseppina Sabelli  
Requested by Adriana Fernandez

### Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

Intentions of Virginia Maccvicus  
Requested by Theresa Burlton

### Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

**8:15am:** + Margaret Murphy  
Requested by Maureen Carr

**7pm:** Pro Populo

### Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

+ Michael Stuart  
Requested by L & S Hillgrove

## REST IN PEACE

In your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of  
Benjamin Camara

## SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light burns this week for  
the intentions of the community of St. John's Parish

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Philip Teixeira, John W., Gerry Genuino, Baby Isaiah  
Liam, Baby Owen, Patrick O'Neill, Jacob McLean, Elaine  
Atwood, Dawn Ruthven, Raphael Ng, Margaret (Peggy)  
McCarthy, Lynn Sparkes

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

For most of us, it is easy to point the finger at another,  
judge their sinfulness, and walk away feeling superior.  
But Jesus challenges us to look instead at our own  
hearts and behaviors. Will I accept his challenge?

***God of truth, give me the grace to examine my life  
and recognize the ways I sin against you in the way I  
treat myself, others, and creation.***

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### FROM THE OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH (OCY):

#### ❖ SPIRITUS EAST (AGES 19-39)

Join the OCY for the upcoming Spiritus East ministry  
night on **Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** at **St. Barnabas  
Parish in Scarborough at 7PM.**

The evening will begin with Holy Mass, celebrated  
by Fr. Hansoo, followed by Stations of the Cross in  
the church. Guest speaker, Katie Zou, will then  
share a powerful talk on Jesus's agony in the  
Garden of Gethsemane and His acceptance of the  
Father's will. Katie will dive into Sacred Scripture  
and Theology to help us understand this profound  
mystery, tying it into the Triduum. She will explore  
how, with Jesus as our guide, we too can embrace  
the cup set before us, which will lead to our  
salvation.

The night will conclude with a Q&A session and a  
time for fellowship.

Registration: <https://ocytoronto.org/events/not-my-will-but-yours-the-cup-of-obedience#register>

#### ❖ FAITH & FITNESS (AGES 19-39)

Join the OCY for the next Faith + Fitness on  
**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, from 9am to 2pm.** The day will  
begin with Holy Mass at 9am at Our Lady of Fatima  
Shrine (3170 St Clair Ave E). Then, a walk to the  
Toronto Climbing Academy (11 Curity Ave Unit 3),  
making a pitstop at Mondelez (Peek Freans) Cookie  
Factory on the way to the indoor rock climbing gym.  
**Registration will close two weeks before the date  
on April 10<sup>th</sup>, as per the request of the climbing  
gym.** You will have to pay your fee in advance of the  
event (\$36.35). Please fill out the waiver provided  
after you registered to participate in this activity.

Registration:  
<https://form.jotform.com/250446098259263>

#### ❖ THE SOURCE (AGES 19-39)

Join the Sisters of Life and the Office of Catholic  
Youth for an evening of prayer at **St. Peter's Catholic  
Church on Thursday, April 10 at 7pm.** Spend some  
time with Our Lord amidst your busy schedule with the  
source and summit of our faith – Jesus in the  
Eucharist. There will be some time for fellowship and  
refreshments after the Holy Hour. This event is open  
to all parishioners and visitors!

Holy Hour will begin at 7pm followed by a social time  
from 8pm to 9pm. Confessions will be available.

PARISH NEWS / EVENTS

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This week's second collection will be for the **Building Fund**. Thank you for your continued support!

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2025:



All Fridays of Lent (starting March 7<sup>th</sup>):

Church Opens: 4:00PM  
Stations of the Cross: 4:30PM – *led by parishioners*  
Confession: 6PM – 6:45PM  
Holy Mass: 7PM  
Stations of the Cross: 7:30PM

TRADITIONAL LENTEN DISCIPLINES:

**Prayer:** Catholics are encouraged to enter into a deeper prayer life during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

**Fasting & Abstinence:** Catholic aged 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholic from age 18 – 59 practice fasting, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals on those respective days.

**Almsgiving:** Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting, giving to the poor the money saved by less eating or shopping. Consider donations to ShareLife or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul who serve the poor and the needy.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup> – APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>):

<b>Palm (Passion) Sunday</b>	April 12 <sup>th</sup> April 13 <sup>th</sup>	4:30PM 9AM & 11AM
<b>Holy Thursday – Mass of the Last Supper</b>	April 17 <sup>th</sup>	7PM ( <i>Note: there is no 8:15AM mass</i> )
<b>Good Friday – The Passion of the Lord</b>	April 18 <sup>th</sup>	12PM & 3PM ( <i>Note: there is no 8:15AM mass</i> )
<b>Easter Vigil</b>	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	8PM ( <i>Note: there is no 4:30PM mass</i> )
<b>Easter Sunday – Resurrection of the Lord</b>	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	9AM & 11AM

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS & DECORATING

Would you like to donate to the Easter Flower fund, helping to make our Church beautiful and joyful for our Easter celebrations? Donations can be made in memory of a loved one by completing the information on the Easter Flower Fund donation envelope located at the back of the church. Simply complete the information on the front of the envelope, place the envelope with your donation inside, into the offertory basket at mass or you can drop the envelope into the secure office mailbox located on the front step of the office.

Looking for a way to get involved? If you are interested in joining in on the fun of flower arranging, please join your fellow parishioners who help to arrange the flowers for the Easter celebrations! Please call or email the office and leave your name and contact details with Adriana Fernandez.