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Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am

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Tuesday - Friday 8:15 am

Baptisms: Please email the parish office.

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Saturdays - 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm

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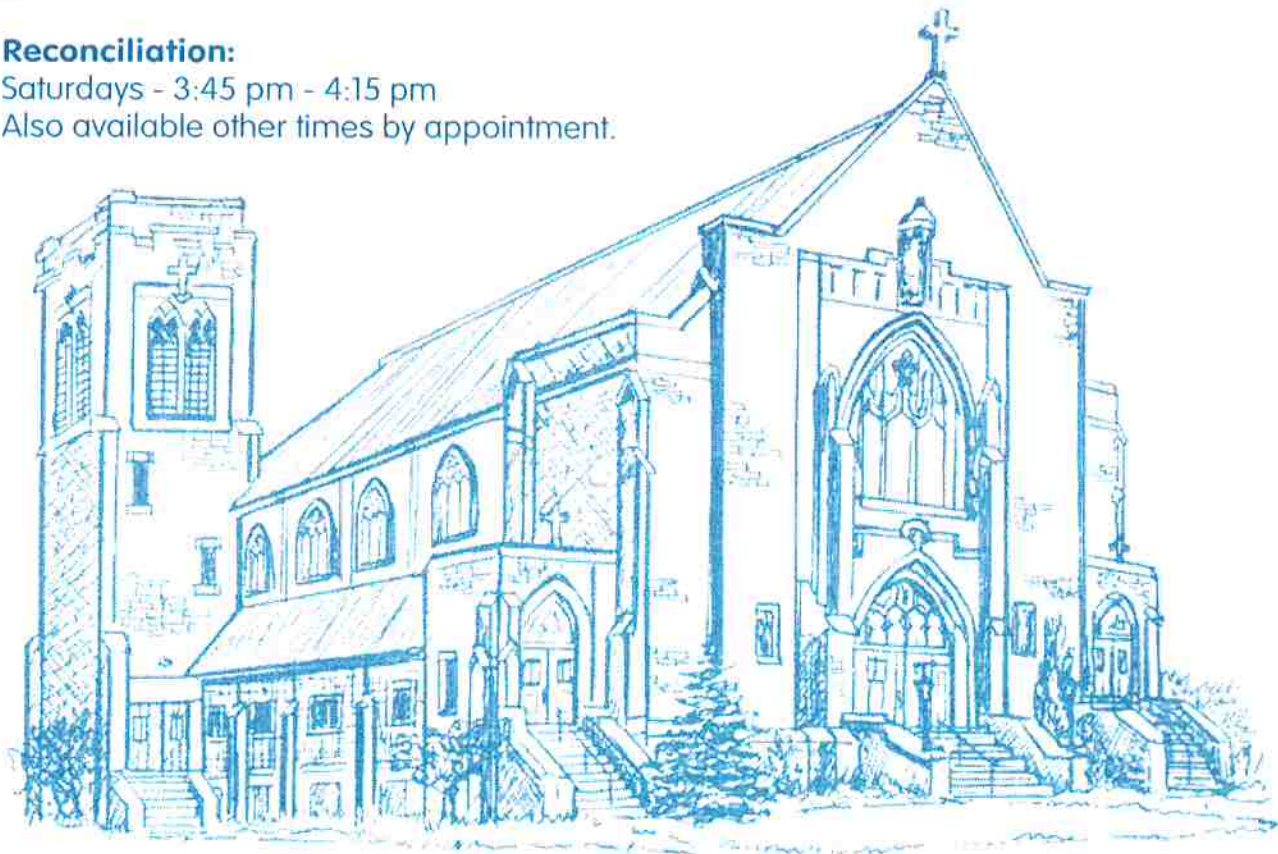
Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed between 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Please Register with the Parish

so we can assist you.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Ascension of the Lord



Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia." Matthew 28.20

From the Pastor's Desk: YOU! Oh God!: Getting back to our examination of the liturgy piece by piece, let's think about that magnificent prayer we sing together so often: Glory to God in the highest! (Since we left this series off in Lent, when the Gloria is not sung, what better way to pick up that thread.) To find a renewed way to put your heart into this prayer, make a point of always remembering to Whom you are singing: to God Almighty, your Creator, your Master, your Font of being, the Giver of every gift in your life, and your Father. The word "you" in the Gloria is something we can sing with love: "We praise YOU, we bless YOU, we adore YOU, we glorify YOU, we give YOU thanks for YOUR great glory!" This is praise writ large, and each "you" allows us to thrust our praise heavenward to the great God we encounter in the sacred gathering of every Mass. These are not just our words: they came from heaven. The angels were the first to sing the introduction on that first Christmas Eve: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace." They are still singing it, and the echoes of our voices in the rafters of the Church make their praise audible. After praising the Father, our voices shift to praise of the Son, and petition for mercy, and pleading for our prayers to be heard. The Gloria is rounded out by a return to praise of Jesus: YOU alone are the Holy One, YOU alone are the Lord every "you" again launching from our hearts to heaven, praising Jesus. The Holy Spirit, who has been stirring up our hearts throughout the hymn of praise, is included in our final words, as we participate in the inner life of worship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In the Gloria, that hymn of praise which we sing so often in worship, God provides us a portal of praise to draw our hearts to him. Always remember to Whom you are singing, as your own words rise to the Creator who gave you your voice: YOU alone are the Holy One, YOU alone are the Lord.

.....Fr. John-Mark

Please Pray For The Sick

Paul DeCourcy, Michelle Miles, Marianella Espinal, Catherine Chang, Paul Proctor, Christina Jopling, John Rao, Nancy Smith, Rosanne Nihtila, Margaret Ryan, Michael Higgins, Richard Bowman, Chiu Wong, Gillian Haughey, Isabel Cairns, Marianne Loranger, Christine Curran, Jacob McLean, Carmel Richard

Mothers Day Prayer

Mary, on this day when we honour all mothers and mother figures, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.



Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers, and mother figures. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mother's day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you...

In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

During the Month of May let us offer Mother Mary our heartfelt prayers every day. Consider joining us at 7:45 am and praying along with the Rosary Group, they'll welcome you taking a decade and/or just praying with them.

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 14th

For INTENTIONS OF PHYLLIS & CARL MOHAN Requested by Karen Baptiste

Wednesday, May 15th

For + ANN KERRIGAN Requested by The Kerrigan Family

Thursday, May 16th

For + CATHRYN FLAHERTY Requested by Virginia Mladen

Friday, May 17th

For + ANGELA FARRELL Requested by Notre Dame Alumnae

Saturday, May 18th

For INTENTIONS OF ROSEMARY & JOHN WALCHER Requested by Parish Family



The Sanctuary Light burns this week for the intentions of

Msgr. Brad Massman & Fr. John Newton



Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul poor box as you exit the church.

In The News



CALLING ALL GOLFERS: ShareLife's Golf Tournament returns June 5: On Monday, June 5, the 26th edition of the ShareLife Golf Tournament returns to Royal Woodbine Golf Club in Etobicoke. The day

includes camaraderie, friendly competition, and fantastic food, while you support the vital work of Catholic social service agencies in our communities. Registration is filling quickly! Note that we also welcome sponsorship enquiries and silent auction and prize donations. For more details or registration forms visit sharelife.org/golf. Or tkeethadevan@archtoronto.org
Or call 416. 934.3400 ext. 526. Deadline May 28.

SEEING WITH HEART - A Day of Reflection for Parents of LGBTQ Young Adults Saturday, June 1, from 9 am to 4 pm at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering. This day of reflection will provide parents with an opportunity to share their stories, listen to presentations from an experienced Catholic chaplain, reflect on the gifts and talents of their children, and participate in group discussions. The day ends with Mass. We hope to provide a relaxed and supportive environment for parents to meet and interact with other parents, reflect and discuss concerns, learn about resources, strengthen their love, and grow closer to God. Facilitator: Kelly Stephen - chaplain of Monsignor Paul Dwyer Catholic High School. Fr. Bernie Carroll, S.J. - Superior of the Pickering Jesuit Community. A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes lunch. For more information or to Register: Call Mike Hyland – 647.296.2499

THE MARTYRS' SHRINE OF MIDLAND: is holding a historic Gala Dinner in Toronto in support of its 100-year renewal of the church and grounds. Join Archbishop Francis Leo, the Jesuit Fathers, and the St. Michael's Boys Choir for this special event on Wednesday, June 12th. Tickets are available at martyrs-shrine.com/spring-gala.



God our Father, you generously grant us all the gifts we have. Help us to understand that it is in the giving that



we receive. Thank you for making a gift to your Parish. Don't walk with cash? Scan the QR code where you can use your credit card.

	2023	2024
<i>Sunday Offertory</i>	\$ 2430	\$ 3662
<i>Offertory PAG</i>	\$ 1421	\$ 1444
<i>Popes Pastoral Works</i>	\$1530	\$ 1165

Little Levity: After the fall, Adam was walking with his sons Cain and Abel. As they were passing the locked gates of the Garden of Eden, one of the boys asked, "What's that?" Adam replied, "Boys, that's where your mother ate us out of house and home. Peace begins with a smile.....*Mother Teresa*

Parish News

SPECIAL PRAYER LIST FOR MOTHERS: has been posted by the statue of Mary. We hope you will take a moment to stop and pause for a prayer, maybe light a candle, during the month and remember the sacrifices they have made..

SPECIAL MASS - SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH: - Join us on Monday May 20th at 8:15 am. The Rosary will be recited beginning at 7:45 am.



On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Deaf and hard of hearing community. "If you ever wonder what impact you are making – you are sending Deaf kids to an accessible American Sign Language (ASL) camp in the summer; you are connecting Deaf kids with Deaf mentors; you are inspiring Deaf kids to achieve their dreams; you are teaching family members ASL so they can communicate with their Deaf children. When you give, it goes a long way." – *Kelly Mackenzie, Silent Voice*. Please consider giving at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Please note, there will be no Children's Liturgy program on Sunday May 19th (Victoria Day weekend). As a reminder Children's Liturgy runs most Sundays during the 9 am Mass.



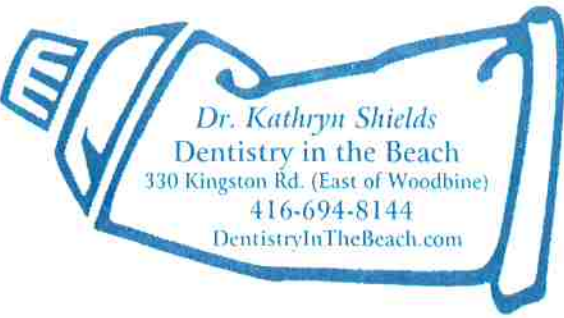
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED STUDENTS!: The love of God has been poured into your hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to you (Romans 5:5). Dear newly Confirmed, as Jesus sent 72 disciples in the Gospel, He sends you and all of us into the world – to make it a better place. The Holy Spirit will Give us the strength, love and courage that we need.

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| Sydney Catherine Cousins | Oscar Casimiro |
| Sloan Di Tosto | Georgia Crowe |
| Ailbe Joseph Fraser | Rafaela Esponda |
| Lily Joan Gartside | Eamon Francis Fraser |
| Noah Gibson | Lucas Gibson |
| Claudia Philomena Keenan | Alex Holland |
| Quinn Mathewson | Daniel Kelly |
| Rose Rose of Lima Milway | Aidan Paul McCarthy |
| Massimo Pagliarello | Christopher Joseph Montefusco |
| Grace Punch | Gianferro Pia Grassa |
| Olivia Reyes | Camila Ramos-Rychalska |
| Shaznae Santo | J. Christiano Sebastien Santana |
| Olivia Szczubial | Brandon Shirriff |
| Benjamin Teggelove | Calder Taylor |
| Jasmine Josephine Vassell | Julia Tolvoi |
| Amanda Wing | Joseph Anthony Vukovic |
| Rosie Young | Alexandra Wise |
| Rory Zank | |

Thank you to our facilitators, Doris Cecchini, Helen Fritz, Elisha Horbay, Larry Lazazzera, Theresa Morrison, Megan Noah, and our coordinator Sheila Stuart. Our musicians Torres Espinal, Bernie Febria, & Paul Holliday. Our Altar Servers, Jaylah & Tyrrell Baker & our Hospitality Ministers Jane Werniuk & Paul Power. May the good Lord bless you. Photos & video of the Mas will be posted on the website soon.



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