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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.
 Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 or by Appointment.

First Friday of the Month

Adoration/Benediction
 Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Baptism: Contact the office to register your child. Baptism dates assigned at time of interview with Priest or Deacon.

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Patrick O’Dea, C.H.H. – *Pastor*
 Rev. Andrew Taylor – *Associate Pastor*
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Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139
CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O’Dea
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Parish Schools

<u>Parish Schools</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
St. Edward	1 Botham Rd., North York, ON M2N 2J6	416-393-5255
St. Cyril	18 Kempford Blvd., Willowdale, ON M2N 2B9	416-393-5270
St. Antoine Daniel	160 Finch Ave. W., Willowdale, ON M2N 2J2	416-393-5339
Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8	416-393-5556

3rd Sunday of Lent



IN TODAY'S GOSPEL, Jesus speaks of the importance of repentance. Interrogators approach Jesus to tell Him about a massacre of Galileans, looking for Him to react and to give an opinion on such a violent event. We can imagine the torture and cruelty that the Galilean people experienced under Pilate's ruthless rule. Asked if it is because of sin that they suffered in this way, Jesus reminds those questioning Him that we are all sinners. He then refers to a tragic accident, a source of gossip at the time. Victims of such tragedies are no greater sinners than anyone else in their communities. Rather than condemn the Romans or shame sinners, Jesus points to repentance.

It is in our human nature to look for the reason bad things happen to people. Life is fragile, death is a reality and we have a need to be in right relationship with our God. Suffering is not reserved for the sinner and repentance is necessary for everyone.

We believe in a merciful and compassionate God who gives us time for growth. This Lenten season is a good time to dig around the foundation of our lives and fertilize where it is needed. In this Eucharistic celebration, we pray with hearts open, repentant and mindful of our need for God's love. *(Reflection of Jan Eutham of Living with Christ)*

Monday, March 24, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Catherine Paul

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intentions for Susanna Lo
+ Sarah Byeon
+ Katheria Lee

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Andrew Kim's family

Thursday, March 27, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Vincent Cosentino
Blessings for Aunt Stella
+ Sarah Byeon

Friday, March 28, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Norberto & Honorina Franco
7:30 p.m. Well Being & Good Health for Priya D'Souza

Saturday, March 29, 2025 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Ceasar Cabalatungan
Birthday Wishes for Athanasius Braimah
Special Intentions for William Lo
Special Intentions of Mee Chin & Family

4:30 p.m. + Giuseppe Martino

Sunday, March 30, 2025

8:00 a.m. + Shui-Lin Wang
9:30 a.m. + A. & E. Carlesimo
11:00 a.m. + Mary McLean

ShareLife

Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry... For many children, the snacks and meals they receive in school may be the only nutritious food they eat all day. Studies show that children can't learn and thrive when they are hungry. Thanks to you, \$750,000 in Food Security Grants are making a difference across our community. Students receive the nourishment they deserve, and parents are supported in the process. The FoodShare program at ShareLife-funded agency Rosalie Hall "is a lifeline for families," says their Executive Director, Jane Kenny. "It helps parents provide food for their children, reduces their stress, and allows them to focus on being the best parents they can be."

Sunday, March 30th is first ShareLife Sunday. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Senior Residence Masses – March 2025

Monday, March 31st – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

Journey through Lent

We are pleased to announce that the *Journey through Lent* video series, which includes reflections on the readings for Sundays in Lent including Palm Sunday, is available. It is a joint project between three CCCB offices (the *Office national de liturgie*, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis).

The videos are available on the CCCB Website.
English: www.cccb.ca/lent French: www.cecc.ca/careme

A Day With Mary

Save the Date: On Saturday, May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day With Mary" will be taking place at Villanova College in King City. We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship, and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. More information will follow in the coming weeks. Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!

FRIDAYS IN LENT

8:30 a.m. – Morning Mass
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Hour
7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. – Mass

Traditional Lenten Disciplines

Penance: Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

Fasting & Abstinence: Catholics aged 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 – 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day.

Prayer: Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection.

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 St. Vincent de Paul Society who serve the poor and needy.

Springs of Hope

Virtual Meetings held second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m.
Springs of Hope is a space where couples journey together on the challenging path of infertility. These encounters serve as a vessel for a deep renewal in our relationships with our spouses, selves and God. It accompanies those struggling with infertility by offering a place where they can know God’s love for them and discover His unique call to fruitfulness. The group is firmly rooted in the spirituality of the Catholic Church, including its teachings on marriage, reproductive technologies and the dignity of the human person. We affirm the goodness and beauty of the couple and work to help marriages blossom even when experiencing seasons of infertility or loss. By focusing on Christ rather than conception, we can enter more deeply into the mystery of God and His divine plan for marriage and our lives.

CONTACT: Springs of Hope
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WEBSITE: <https://rhfertilitycare.com/support-group>



A big thank you to the Social Committee for organizing a wonderful St. Patrick’s Day & St. Joseph’s Festive Meal and Social last weekend. Great fun was had by all who attended. Thank you!

Coins for Life 2025

This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 8, 2025. Be sure that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. Coins for life boxes are at the back of the church. For more information call Jenny at 416-267-7126.

Muffin Mondays for Seniors
Hawthorn School – 101 Scarsdale Rd, Toronto

As a gesture of respect and gratitude for senior citizens in the community, the students at Hawthorn School would like to invite all seniors to Hawthorn’s monthly Mondays. Enjoy complimentary coffee, snacks, & a performance at **3:15 PM on the following Mondays: April 14, May 12 and June 9.** Contact Queenie Yu at 416-444-3054 or qyu@hawthornschool.com for more information.

CGL Circle

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 27, 2025 | 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. New members welcome! Register online: <https://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org/en/parish-groups/catholic-girls-league/>
Registration Fee: No fee, but cash donations to cover refreshments and activities are appreciated.
For questions, email Gene: stedward75cgl@gmail.com
Thank you for your support!

Vocations

The Lord is kind and merciful and calls us to proclaim His Name. Consider service in the priesthood or consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.** vocations@archtoronto.org

Securities as a Charitable Gift Option

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities.

To donate securities, follow this link: Archdiocese of Toronto - Gift of Securities (archtoronto.org) and download the “How to Gift Securities Info Sheet” and the “Letter of Direction.” For more information, contact our office at development@archtoronto.org.

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