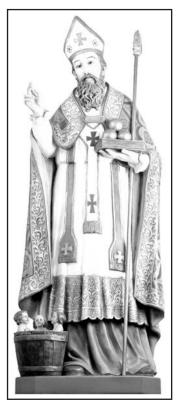
Join us in celebrating faith and culture as one—everyone is warmly welcomed into our parish family, where Christ's love embraces us all! Tutti sono benvenuti nella nostra famiglia parrocchiale, dove l'amore di Cristo abbraccia ciascuno di noi!



The Church is open for personal prayer and meditation from 7:30am to 12:00pm (Monday to Friday)

Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese alle 6:45pm

Adorazione / Adoration

1° Venerdì del Mese First Friday of the Month 8:30am - 9:00am

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MESSE DOMENICALI

9:00am: Italiano 10:30am: Inglese 12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato

7:30pm: Mercoledì

Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima o dopo la Messa. Altri giorni su appuntamento

MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

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Chiamate in Ufficio qualunque giorno

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00am: Italian

10:30am: English (with Children's Liturgy)

12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Tuesday to Saturday

7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial

mass (upon request)

BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction. Parents must be registered members of our

parish community

CONFESSIONS

Every day before and after Mass and upon

request

MARRIAGES

One year notice and marriage course mandatory

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Please call the Office

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Today's Gospel from Luke 6:27-38 is a powerful reminder of the way we are called to love—not just those who love us, but even those who challenge us. Jesus tells us, "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you." These words may seem difficult, but they are the foundation of a Christ-centered family. In our daily lives as parents, spouses, and children, we all experience

moments of frustration. Maybe someone in the family is impatient, a friend at school is unkind, or a coworker is difficult. Jesus invites us to respond not with anger, but with love and mercy. The family is the first place where we learn how to love. It's where we teach our children kindness, forgiveness, and generosity. When we forgive each other at home, when we show patience and choose to be kind even when it's hard, we reflect the love of Christ. Jesus also says, "Give, and it will be given to you." When we show love and mercy, we open our hearts to receive God's blessings in return. Love multiplies—it grows when we give it freely. So today, let us ask for the grace to love as Jesus loves. Let us practice kindness and mercy, starting with those closest to us. And may our families be places where the love of God is alive and shared abundantly.

Blessed Moments: Offering Mass for Your Loved Ones

Did you know that you have the option to arrange a mass for your loved ones? Consider dedicating a mass for a departed family member or friend, someone going through an illness, in gratitude for a significant event like a birthday or anniversary, or even for a special person such as a priest. If you wish for your intention to be included in the mass, kindly reach out to Mary before the scheduled service. Your thoughtful gesture can bring solace and blessings to those you care about.



First-communion workshop

Thursday, Feb 27: 7-8PM. All students and parents are expected to attend.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

If you are a new member or haven't yet registered, please fill out the registration form on the back cover of the bulletin and drop it into the collection basket at any mass.

Join us for the Children's Liturgy



The Children's Liturgy is back, and we can't wait to welcome your children! This is a wonderful opportunity for them to experience the Mass in a way that's engaging, meaningful, and tailored just for them. During the liturgy, children will

hear the Sunday Gospel in a way that connects with their hearts and minds, helping them grow in faith and understanding. All children are invited to join, especially those preparing for their First Reconciliation and Communion! We strongly encourage their attendance as part of their faith journey.

2025 Refugee Sponsorship Program: Helping Parishioners Reunite with Family

The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees is excited to launch the 2025 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This initiative supports parishioners in sponsoring family members who have been forced to flee their homeland because of war, violence or persecution and who need resettlement.

If you are a parishioner interested in sponsoring a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor. Please note that interested parishioners will be asked to provide the necessary funds required by Immigration Canada for sponsorship.

Ash Wednesday



Wednesday, March 5th is Ash Wednesday. If you desire, please bring back blessed palm branches from previous years to prepare ashes for the beginning of Lent. You may leave the branches in the basket at

the entrance of the church. Ashes will be distributed at the 8 AM Mass. We will also have Ash Wednesday services for Loretto College at 9:40 AM; St. Paul VI School & Stella Maris at 10:15 AM; **St. Nicholas School (at the school)** at 1:15PM, which are open to anyone.

Please remember that this is a day of fast & abstinence.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Weekly offerings: \$363.20 Donation:: \$350.00 Thank you for your generosity! To learn more about how to make a donation, please visit our website. (https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-

Us/donate).

7º DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO - 23 febbraio 2025



February 23 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Antonia Pallotta; Giuseppe Marrelli

10:30am – Julian Daruca

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 24 Monday/Lunedì

No mass today ----- Nessuna messa oggi

February 25 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Eliseo Murilllo Ruiz, Carlos Menjivar; For the generosity of St. Nicholas's parishioners; Holy Spirit's guidance for the families who have difficulties with separation, divorce, court hearings, custody of children, housing; Peace in the world

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 26 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Linda McLean, Gabriela Crego, Marylin Ribeiro; St.Joseph help upon Sylvia Lorenzo, Dinora, Irena, Ania, Linh, Renaldo, Carlos Tejada, Julian & Tabatha, Luba, Bryan, Martin, Josue, Rene Meza, Johanna & Ivan, Emmanuel, Salvador Gomez Pimienta, Jose Mauricio Castaño

7:30pm – *Memorial Mass* –Michele Carpino *February 27 Thursday/Giovedì*

8:00am - Repose of the soul

of Janina, Mariam, Maria Rosa Dalsass; End of abortion & euthanasia; For all Priest living and deceased; Healing of Jacob Lee McEwen, Otto, Walter, Irena, Ania, James Breggar, Gloria, Joe, Pinargote Castro Family, Mily, Yolanda Gomez, Sandra Mejia, Yuli Buenahora; Birthday blessings upon Lucy Dalsass, Jerry Rusiecki

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

7:00pm – 8:00pm – First Confession & First Communion Session – Topic: The Bread of Life

<u>February 28</u> Friday/Venerdì

8:00am – Attillio Polillo, Michele Saullo; Repose of the soul of Andrea Chevez, Juana Ines Venegas; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; Repentance, conversion; Peace in the world; Healing of Emma Sophia Greco, Han Ycaza, Joaquin Guzman, Tatiana, Delia Avalos, Roberto Ramirez; Birthday blessings upon Jacqueline Marisol Gomez, Sofia Eunice Tejada

March 1 Saturday/Sabato

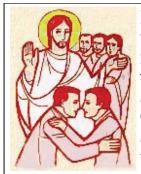
8:00am – Repose of the soul of Juana, Mirian, Jose & Miguel Angel Ramos, Linda McLean; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; For the unborn, orphan & unbaptized children; All souls in Purgatory; Birthday blessings upon Ariana Azucena Martinez, Mauro Dalsass

March 2 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am -

10:30am - John Zachariah

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)



Il Vangelo di oggi ci porta un messaggio rivoluzionario: "Amate i vostri nemici, fate del bene a coloro che vi odiano". Gesù ci invita a vivere un amore che va oltre la logica umana, un amore che non aspetta nulla in cambio,

ma che si dona gratuitamente. Nella nostra vita quotidiana, incontriamo persone che ci mettono alla prova: un collega difficile, un vicino poco gentile, un familiare che non sempre ci comprende. Gesù ci chiede di rispondere con il bene, con la misericordia, con il perdono. Questo non è segno di debolezza, ma di grandezza, perché l'amore autentico trasforma i cuori. Gesù ci insegna che donare, perdonare e amare senza misura ci rende figli del Padre, che è buono con tutti. "Date e vi sarà dato": il bene che facciamo ritorna a noi in modi inaspettati, riempiendo il nostro cuore di pace e gioia. Chiediamo oggi la grazia di amare come Gesù, di essere strumenti della sua misericordia e di costruire, nelle nostre famiglie e comunità, un mondo più simile al Regno di Dio.

Mercoledì delle Ceneri



Quest'anno, celebreremo le Sante Ceneri Mercoledì 14 febbraio. All'entrata della chiesa, abbiamo preparato un cestino nel quale accogliere palme benedette degli anni scorsi. Queste verrano bruciate per ottenre le Sante Ceneri.

Messa e distribuzione delle Ceneri: 8:00am; Loretto College: 9:30AM; Stella Maris&St Paul VI: 10:15AM; St. Nicholas: 1:15PM (in scuola).Ricordiamo che il Mercoledì delle Ceneri e il Venerdì Santo sono giorni di digiuno e astinenza

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