

*Join us in celebrating faith and culture as one—everyone is warmly welcomed into our parish family, where Christ's love embraces us all!
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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

RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

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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NEWCOMER



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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hall della Parrocchia disponibile per affitto. Chiamate in Ufficio
The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office

4th SUNDAY OF LENT — March 30, 2025



Comment on Lc 15,1-3.11-32

The Gospel today tells a story of incredible love. A story about a father who never stops loving, even when his son rejects everything he has offered. The younger son demands his inheritance and leaves home, believing freedom means doing whatever he wants. He wastes everything - his money, his dignity, his relationship with his family. Alone and starving, he hits rock bottom. In that moment of total desperation, something extraordinary happens. He remembers his father. Not as a harsh judge, but as a source of mercy. He decides to return home, not expecting to be fully welcomed, but hoping perhaps to be hired as a servant. But the father sees him from far away. And instead of waiting, instead of lecturing or punishing, he runs. He runs to meet his broken son. He embraces him, kisses him, restores him. No questions asked, no conditions imposed. This is God's love. A love that doesn't count our mistakes. A love that doesn't measure our worth by our failures. A love that always, always waits for us to come home. The parable tells us there are no distances too great, no sins too big for God's mercy. He doesn't just forgive - He celebrates our return. He sees not what we were, but what we can become. Today, God is telling each of us: Whatever you've done, wherever you've gone, I'm waiting. Come home. Amen.

LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

The week of March 30 to April 5th 2025, all parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto will offer a Day of Confessions. St. Nicholas of Bari's Day of Confessions will take place on **April 4, 2025**, with two opportunities: **10:00am - 12:00pm and 5:00pm - 6:30pm**.

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.



Confirmation Retreat

Sunday, May 3rd
10:00am-4pm
Students & Sponsors are to attend

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.



Holy Thursday Apr 17 : 7:00pm :English-Italian
Good Friday Apr 18 : 1:00pm Italian
3:00pm English
Easter Vigil Sat Apr 19 : 7:00pm English-Italian
Easter Sun Apr 20: 9:00am Italian
10:30am English

ShareLife

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. But ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. From children to seniors, and everyone in between, more than 40 ShareLife agencies are there each step of the way.

Our ShareLife goal for 2025 is \$5,200.00.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at share-life.org/donate.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Weekly offerings :\$1,779.10 Donation: \$500.00
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>).

4 DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA - 30 marzo 2025



Mass Intentions

March 30 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Pasquale Vecchiarelli e defunti Famiglia Vecchiarelli, Rosa e Paolo Pallotta e defunti Famiglia Pallotta; Giovanni e Maria D'Angelo; Angela e Michele Verre e Joseph Fucile

10:30am – Rosa & Teodoro Mellace; Guido Di Prospero

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

March 31 Monday/Lunedì

No mass today ----- Non c'è messa oggi

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 1 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Jorge Calle, Teresa de Jesus Cornejo, Angel Francisco Martinez; Thanksgiving for the Sacraments of Linh Maria Do

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 2 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Chizo Eucheria Ezeudu, Herve Writz; Saint Joseph's help upon Julian & Tabatha, Luba, Bryan, Martin, Josue, Johanna & Ivan, Emmanuel, Salvador Gomez Pimienta, Jose Mauricio Castaño

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 3 Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Maria Julia Bonilla, Gloria Meza; Birthday blessings upon Alicia Isabela Meza, Alejandra Fuentes

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 4 Friday/Venerdì

8:00am – Luis Antonio Suarez; Repose of the soul of Vicente Rodriguez, Herve Writz; Birthday blessings upon Rev. Priest Jorge Amaro

10:00am – 12:00pm – Day of Confession / Giorno di Confessioni

5:00pm – 6:30pm – Day of Confession / Giorno di Confessioni

5:00pm – 6:40pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

6:45pm – Via Crucis / Way of the Cross

April 5 Saturday/Sabato

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Lauren Gopaul-Roldan, Carlyle & Ameerza Gyan

5:00pm – 7:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

April 6 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Gaetana e Giovannina e Giovanni La Corte, Joe e Serafino Militello, Giuseppe Lodato e Ignazio Shambari; Vito Battaglia; Antonia Pallotta; Vito Barbarito e Angela Educato

10:30am –

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)



Comento su Lc 15,1-3.11-32

Il Vangelo di oggi ci racconta una storia di speranza. Una storia che parla di ogni uomo, di ogni donna, di ognuno di noi che, nel corso della vita, può allontanarsi da Dio. Il giovane figlio della parabola parte con la presunzione di poter gestire da solo la propria vita. Vuole la sua parte di eredità, vuole libertà, vuole vivere secondo i suoi desideri. Spreca tutto, si ritrova solo, affamato, disperato. Tocca il fondo. Ma in quel momento di buio, accade qualcosa di straordinario: si ricorda del padre. Non più come un padrone da cui fuggire, ma come un rifugio, un luogo di accoglienza. E decide di tornare. Il padre lo vede da lontano e cosa fa? Non lo aspetta seduto, non lo rimprovera, non lo giudica. Corre. Corre incontro a quel figlio che lo aveva umiliato, tradito, abbandonato. Lo abbraccia, lo bacia, lo riabilita. Questa è l'immagine di Dio. Un Dio che non conta i nostri sbagli, ma aspetta sempre il nostro ritorno. Un Dio che non misura la nostra perfezione, ma accoglie la nostra debolezza. Un Dio che non condanna, ma ama. La parabola ci insegna che non esistono distanze troppo lunghe, non esistono errori troppo grandi perché Dio non possa perdonare. Lui ci aspetta sempre, con una tenerezza che supera ogni nostro tradimento. Oggi il Signore dice a ciascuno di noi: qualunque cosa tu abbia fatto, ovunque tu sia andato, io ti aspetto. Torna a casa. Amen.



Come da tradizione, ogni venerdì di Quaresima alle 18:45 celebriamo la Via Crucis in italiano e in inglese.

Tutti sono invitati a partecipare a questo momento di preghiera e riflessione.

GIORNO DI CONFESSIONI

La settimana del 30 Marzo al 5 aprile 2025, tutte le parrocchie dell'arcidiocesi di Toronto offriranno una Giornata delle Confessioni. **La Giornata delle Confessioni di San Nicola da Bari si svolgerà il 4 aprile 2025, con due occasioni: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm.** Tutti siete invitati.

SL ShareLife

Oggi è la prima colletta per ShareLife. Vi invitiamo a contribuire con generosità per raggiungere l'obiettivo della nostra parrocchia di \$5,200.00. Grazie per il vostro sostegno!

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