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Monday Closed

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISH Saturday 5:00 p.m.

ITALIAN Sunday 9:00 a.m.

ENGLISH Sunday 10:30 a.m.

ENGLISH Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday & Friday 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office in emergency or serious illness.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please call the Parish Office.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: FOLLOWING JESUS

"They left their nets and followed him. (Matthew 4:20)

Can you imagine how exciting it was for Peter and his friends as they followed Jesus from town to town? Hearing him preach so often, seeing him perform so many miracles, watching people's lives change so dramatically—no wonder they left their nets and became his disciples!

But what about those times when there were no crowds—when they were traveling between towns or on those days when Jesus took a break? What were those "in-between" days like?

They were probably even more exciting! Those were the days when the disciples had Jesus all to themselves. They could ask him questions about what he had taught the crowds. They could listen to him explain his parables, pray with him, and experience for themselves the new relationship with his heavenly Father that he had proclaimed. It's possible that these were the days that really changed their lives.

Today is Sunday of the Word of God, a day when we celebrate the power and the grace contained in God's word in Scripture. This is the word that the disciples heard day in and day out, and it can change us just as it changed them. It can comfort us, convict us, and lift our hearts to heaven. It can bring us to our knees in humble repentance, and it can lift us to our feet in joyful worship.

Do you want to experience God's word coming to life in you? Then imitate the apostles. Spend time with Jesus and immerse yourself in his word. Ask him questions about what you read there, and listen prayerfully for his answers. It takes time, patience, and perseverance, but the reward is well worth the effort. Like the apostles, you'll come to know Jesus personally as the One whose love lasts forever and whose mercy never ends!

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 9.1-4

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 4.12-23

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 22 January, 9:00 AM (Italian)
+ Adelia Cerelli

Sunday 22 January, 10:30 AM
For all Parishioners

Sunday 22 January, 12:00 PM
+ Vincenzo Pulla

Tuesday 24 January, 9:00 AM
+ Adelina & Cornelio Bullato

Wednesday 25 January, 7:00 PM
+ Giuseppe Pittarelli & Family

Thursday 26 January, 9:00 AM
+ Antoinette Beatrice Vettivelu

Friday 27 January, 7:00 PM
+ Stephanie Tang,
+ Maria David,
+ Lorenzo Estrada-Serrano,
+ Domenico Mainella,
+ Camilo & Candipa Tagupa,
+ Emilio & Erne Torre
+ Cristina Iannelli

Saturday 28 January, 9:00 AM
For all Parishioners

Saturday 28 January, 5:00 PM
+ Carlito & Romaldine Misquito

LEGION OF MARY SOCIETY

The Blessed Virgin Mary is our Mother, and as Catholics we dearly hold her as a great intercessor to Christ Jesus our Lord, her son. The parish will be planning to have the Legion of Mary Society formed in our parish as a stable pious society where devotees have the opportunity to pray and mingle. We will be having a membership drive for the society this weekend after all masses.

"Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence I flu to you O virgins o virgins, my Mother to you do I come before you I stand sinful and sorrowful, O mother of the Word Incarnate despise not my petitions but in you mercy, hear and answer me. Amen"



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (22 - 28 JANUARY)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

First Communion classes will be held in the hall located in the basement of the church. Attendance to all classes is mandatory

Class #2	January 21	10-11:30 a.m.
Class #3	January 28	10-11:30 a.m.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

Parents' Meeting #1:

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 from 7 to 8 p.m.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES SCHEDULE

Confirmation classes will be held in the hall located in the basement of the church. Attendance to all classes is mandatory

Class #2	January 21	3- 5 p.m.
Class #3	January 28	3- 5 p.m.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS & SPONSORS

Parent/Sponsor's Meeting #1

Tuesday 15 February at 7:30 p.m.

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

The Consecration to St. Joseph program is starting off again, and being our parish's 40th anniversary it is a special one this year. The program will start from February 10 and continue every subsequent Fridays (February 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10 & 7.) The Consecration will be on March 19th, Feast of St. Joseph, at the 12 noon Mass.

May St. Joseph our patron saint intercede for us all!

40TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISING

Donations are beginning to come in for our fund raising. Many thanks to families that have pitched in. Please let us know how you can support us. Check the details on the 40th anniversary brochure for more details.

Thank you for your generosity!

JOIN THE CHOIR!

The Generation Faith Choir is looking for musicians (pianists, bassists, & guitarists etc.) to join and perform for the 5:00 and 12:00 PM Masses. If you are interested please email: Christopher.jaggernauth@gmail.com or Ldefacendis@rogers.com.

YOUTH PROGRAMME

Edge, Grades 6 & 8

Edge is a program designed for preteens and teens which allows them to deepen their relationship with Christ.

Sessions will be held **every 2nd & 4th Fridays, 6:30—8:00PM** in the parish hall.

1. Saturday, January 14	5. Saturday, March 11
2. Saturday, January 28	6. Saturday, March 25
3. Saturday, February 11	7. Saturday, April 8
4. Saturday, February 25	8. Saturday, April 22

The Chosen, Grades 11 & 12

We will be watching and discussing The Chosen, which portrays the life of Jesus. Sessions will be held **every 1st & 3rd Fridays, 6:30—8 PM** in the parish hall.

1. Saturday, January 20	5. Saturday, March 17
2. Saturday, February 3	6. Saturday, March 31
3. Saturday, February 17	7. Saturday, April 21
4. Saturday, March 3	8. Saturday, May 5

Life Teen, Grades 9 & 10

Life Teen is a high school youth ministry program designed to bring teens closer to Christ and his Church by exploring the depths of our faith. Sessions will be held **every 1st and 3rd Saturday 6:30—8:00 PM** in the parish hall

1. Saturday, January 21	5. Saturday, April 1
2. Saturday, February 4	6. Saturday, April 15
3. Saturday, February 18	7. Saturday, May 6
4. Saturday, March 4	8. Saturday, May 20

Book Club, Young Adults

We will be reading and discussing "Emotional Virtue" to understand what it means to build a relationship rooted in faith and authentic friendship. Sessions will be held **every 1st & 3rd Fridays, 6:30—8 PM** in the parish hall.

1. Saturday, January 13	5. Saturday, March 11
2. Saturday, January 27	6. Saturday, March 25
3. Saturday, February 11	7. Saturday, April 8
4. Saturday, February 25	8. Saturday, April 22

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