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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

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: BATTLING DOUBT*Why did you doubt? (Matthew 14:31)*

Isn't it interesting how doubts often pop into our heads unbidden and unwanted? Peter was actually walking on water, just like Jesus. But when he took his focus off the Lord and noticed the strong wind, doubt entered his mind: Can I really do this? That's when he started to sink (Matthew 14:30).

"Why did you doubt?" the Lord asks Peter after rescuing him (Matthew 14:31). That's a question we might ask ourselves at times. After all, we know how doubts can paralyze us, confuse us, or even lead us away from the Lord.

And yet we are all prone to doubt. When we are suffering, we might wonder whether God loves us. If we've committed a serious sin, we might question whether God will forgive us. When we get discouraged by the evil in the world, we might doubt that God is really in control.

Doubts are a natural human response to uncertainty, so we shouldn't berate ourselves for having them. Sometimes they don't even come from us; the evil one loves to plant doubts in our minds in order to shake up our faith. Whatever the case, they don't disqualify us from following Jesus. Just look at the apostle Thomas! Even a great saint like Thérèse of Lisieux struggled with doubts as she lay dying.

The key is to deal with our doubts not by focusing on them but by calling out to the Lord as Peter did: "Lord, save me!" (Matthew 14:30). And just as he did for Peter, Jesus will stretch out his hand to us. He will remind us of who he is: a loving, compassionate, merciful, and mighty God. He will help us recall all he has done for us. He will assure us that he will never leave us and that nothing will ever separate us from his love.

You don't have to try to battle your doubts on your own. Jesus has come to save you—even from your doubts!

"Lord, help me to turn to you every time I start to question my faith."

MASS READINGS**First Reading:** 1 Kings 19.9, 11-13**Second Reading:** Romans 9.1-5**Gospel:** Matthew 14.22-33**MASS INTENTIONS****Sunday 13 August, 9:00 AM (Italian)**

+ Michele & Giovanna Moccia

Sunday 13 August, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

Sunday 13 July, 12:00 PM

+ Esteban Bernal

Tuesday 15 August, 9:00 AM

For the Holy Souls in the Purgatory

Wednesday 16 August, 7:00 PM

+ Filomena Ferri

Thursday 17 August, 9:00 AM+ Jesu Mary Teresa &
Maru Benedicta D'Cruz**Friday 18 August, 7:00 PM**+ Giovanni Ferri
+ Amelia Curz Losada
+ Jose Ignacio Cruz Manjarres
+ Ignacio Cruz Mendez
Blessings for Cecilia & Aguido on their
Wedding Anniversary**Saturday 19 August, 9:00 AM**

+ Ida Cuzzolino

Saturday 19 August, 5:00 PM

St. Rocco

STREET PATROL – AUGUST 19, 2023

Our next Street Patrol is on Saturday, August 19. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:30 am to make meal packages before we head downtown. In the days leading up to our deliveries to the needy individuals downtown, we welcome the following donations which can be dropped off at the church office:

- Food items such as sliced bread, deli meat, sliced cheese, juice boxes, and peanut-free granola bars
- Gift Cards to shop at Walmart, No Frills, etc.

WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Come and join us in learning more about the women of the Bible. Have you often wondered who are some of the women in the Bible that really had an impact? Can we as women in our modern world relate to any of these stories or experiences in our lives? Join us on September 13th after the Wednesday Mass at 7:45 pm. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. If you are 18+ we look forward to seeing you there.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Our Marriage Preparation course will start on October and will take place every Friday from 7 – 9 pm for 6 weeks. Couples who are planning to wed are invited to now register in the Church Office.

RCIA PROGRAM

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program will be starting on October 10, and will take place every Tuesday from 7 – 9 pm. Adults who are in need of the sacraments to become Catholic (Baptism, Confession, First Holy Communion) should contact the office.

MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday August 16, at 7:00 PM

The closest cemetery to our parish is Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill with celebrant Most Rev. John A Boissonneau.

All parishioners are encouraged to attend and continue to pray for the deceased.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2023 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise our product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637

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