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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISHSaturday5:00 p.m.ITALIANSunday9:00 a.m.ENGLISHSunday10:30 a.m.ENGLISHSunday12:00 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. Please do not wait till the last moment. Sacrament of anointing is for the sick.

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. – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St Joseph the Worker C.E.S.475 Brownridge Dr.905-738-5703

Our Lady of the Rosary C.E.S.206 Glenshields Ave.905-669-6690

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: THE KINGDOM OF GOD

They kept the matter to themselves. (Mark 9:10)

Today we hear Mark's account of Jesus' transfiguration and get a snapshot of his divinity. Six days after predicting his death and resurrection, Jesus shows his glory to Peter, James, and John (Mark 8:31; 9:2-8). In a flash, the disciples' eyes are opened. They can see who Jesus truly is. He is more than a good rabbi, a miraculous healer, or a gifted preacher. He is greater than even Moses or Elijah! Jesus is God.

Jesus' disciples didn't fully grasp their mountaintop vision or how they would need to cling to it as Jesus headed toward the cross. They didn't know how their faith would be tested or how important it was that Jesus was more than just a man. And they didn't know what Jesus meant when he said he would die and rise again. But Jesus knew. That's why he told them to keep the revelation to themselves until he "had had risen from the dead" (Mark 9:9).

In his transfiguration, Jesus was giving his disciples a gift to sustain them for the day of his crucifixion. On that day there would not be three tents but three crosses. Jesus would not stand between Moses and Elijah; he would hang between "two revolutionaries" (Mark 15:27). On that day they would abandon their teacher and Lord to his cruel end. But Jesus' transfiguration not only helped the disciples during his crucifixion. Even more, it foreshadowed an even greater revelation of his divinity: the resurrection!

Jesus' glory was just as present on the cross as it was on the mountaintop. The disciples just couldn't see it. They needed a heavenly perspective—and so do we. That's why Jesus invites us to go up the mountain every day for a glimpse of his glory: to see Jesus, the Son of God, who will be with us always, to the end of time.

So whether you're at Mass or confined to your bed, look to Jesus today. Ask him to open your eyes. Let him strengthen your faith and fill you with hope!

"Jesus, help me to see your glory."

Lenten Retreat, St. Joseph the Worker Thornhill: Saturday March 9th - 9 am to 12 noon

The parish Lenten Retreat for this year will be held on Saturday March 9th, facilitated by Fr. Marijan Sisko. It is going to be for a half day, starting with the Mass a9am and ending at 12 noon.

The theme of our retreat this year is "Getting into Heaven - Looking at the big picture".

Join us to make for a preparation for the paschal mysteries of Easter.

SPIRITUS YORK YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY - EU-CHARIS-TIA: THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT

Wednesday February 28, 2024

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Thornhill ON - 7-9:00pm

Our theme for the month is The Eucharist - The Manna in the Desert. As Catholics, the Mass is the source and summit of our life. Join us for the last part of the three-part Eucharistic Series we are hosting in the different Spiritus regions for the month with Fr. Joshua Roldan. We will begin the night with mass at 7pm and meet afterwards in the hall for 7:30pm. See you there!

First Reading: Genesis 22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18 **Second Reading:** Romans 8.31-35, 37 **Gospel:** Mark 9.2-10

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 25 February, 9:00 AM (Italian) +Benilde & Augusto Nalli

Sunday 25 February, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 25 February, 12:00 PM Blessings for Rosa Corrado on her 90th Birthday

Tuesday 27 February, 9:00 AM + Germanus Jeyadran

Wednesday 28 February, + Victoria Edralin Sabio

Thursday 29 February, 9:00 AM + Stephanie Tang

Friday 1 March, 7:00 PM + Maria Rosa Teti + Genaro & Stella Panacci + Erina Palozzi Good Health and Blessings for the Giraldi Family

Saturday 2 March, 9:00 AM + Pietro Chiodo

Saturday 2 March, 5:00 PM + Luca Gravina

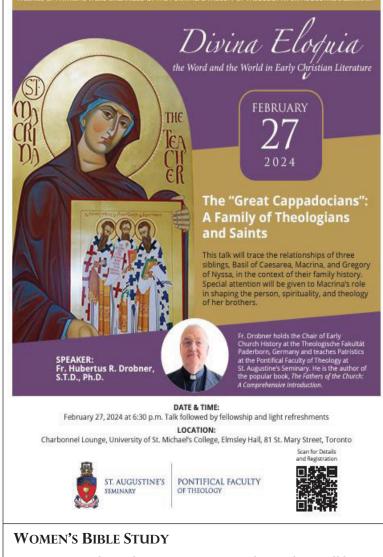
The Second Sunday of Lent (February 25 – March 2)

LENTEN SEASON PASTORAL NOTES

As we begin this season of grace which extends from Ash Wednesday, through Holy Saturday (omitting Sundays), we remind ourselves of the invitation "to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word". Let us aid our Lenten journey with these particular canonical/pastoral notes:

- Canon 1250 All Fridays through the year and at the time of Lent are penitential days and times throughout the entire Church.
- Canon 1251 Abstinence from eating meat or another food according to the prescriptions of the conference of bishops is to be observed on Fridays throughout the year unless they are solemnities; abstinence and fast are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on the Friday of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Canon 1252 All persons who have completed their fourteenth year are bound by the law of abstinence; all adults are bound by the law of fasting up to the beginning of their sixtieth year. Nevertheless, pastors and parents are to see to it that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated in an authentic sense of penance.

We shall be having the Stations of the Cross every Friday, after the 7pm Mass. May this holy season aid us to journey with the Lord in his passion and rise with him at his Resurrection.



Join us on Tuesday, February 27 at 7:30 pm sharp. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. If you are 18+ we

look forward to seeing you. Please bring a notebook and a bible.

BUILD A HABIT OF PRAYER THIS LENT WITH HALLOW!

Hallow has incredible guides walking beside us in prayer, fasting, and serving others this Lent.

- Mark Wahlberg, will lead us in incredible fasting, discipline, and surrender challenges and Scripture motivation to keep us going through the weeks of Lent
- Jonathan Roumie, who portrays Jesus in The Chosen, will lead us through powerful reflections on what it means to completely surrender our lives to God
- Fr. Mike Schmitz, host of the #1 Christian podcast *Bible in a Year*, will guide us through weekly reflections on the Gospel and the excerpts from *He Leadeth Me*
- Sr. Miriam James, S.O.L.T., will help explore imaginative prayer on the moments before Christ's death and resurrection
- Sr. Mary Bernice, an incredible Missionary of Charity who served alongside Mother Teresa in Calcutta, India, will reflect on charity and loving others
- And surrender stories from Tammy Peterson, Jim Wahlberg, Fr. Frankie Cicero, and more to inspire our faith and reliance on God.

Use Hallow to pray: <u>https://hallow.app.link/pray40</u>

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