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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

St Elizabeth C.H.S.525 New Westminster Dr.905-882-1460

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: RECEIVING THE HOLY SPIRIT

Receive the Holy Spirit. (John 20:22)

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus' disciples with a mighty wind and tongues of fire (Acts 2:1-4). We remember how the Spirit poured faith, courage, and generous love into the hearts of timid men and women and made them bold witnesses who built the Church. And we rejoice that the same Spirit who transformed those first disciples lives in us!

You received the Holy Spirit at your Baptism, and you were sealed with the Spirit at Confirmation. But receiving the Spirit in the sacraments is only the beginning. It's as if you received a gift of a brand-new car. The gift itself is amazing, but what good is it if you leave the car sitting in the parking lot? You're not experiencing all that it can do. You need to get inside, learn how everything works, and take it for a drive.

Of course, the Holy Spirit is a divine Person, not an object. But God doesn't want you to ignore him as if you were leaving that shiny new car in the parking lot! Our Father wants you to experience the Spirit in all his fullness. The Spirit has so much he wants to teach you, so many gifts of wisdom and courage to impart, and so much love, peace, and joy to pour into your heart. That's why, in today's Gospel, Jesus urges his disciples, and us, to "receive the Holy Spirit" (John 20:22).

Imagine Jesus telling you right now, Receive my Spirit! Receive more of my gifts and power and understanding. I want to give you expectant faith and assure you of my love. I want to fill you with power so that you can hear my voice, walk in my ways, and love one another. Receive my Spirit and bring the good news of my mercy to everyone!

"Holy Spirit, on this great feast, I open my heart to receive all that you have for me!"

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI!

Congratulations to our youth who are celebrating their confirmations this weekend, May 18th and 19th, with their families and friends! This is just the beginning of an incredible journey of faith. As you celebrate this milestone, may the Holy Spirit be with you to renew and strengthen you in your commitment to follow Christ. Thank you to the teachers and volunteers who dedicated their time to preparing and teaching lessons, so that the youth can continue to foster a deep connection with Christ.

CORPUS CHRISTI MASS & PROCESSION

Join us in celebrating the feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday June 2^{nd} . Immediately after the 12 PM Mass, there will be a procession round the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 11.1-9 Second Reading: Exodus 19:3-8, 16-20 Gospel: Ezekiel 37:1-14

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 19 May, 9:00 AM (Italian) + Francesco Caravella

Sunday 19 May, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 19 May, 12:00 PM + Thau Nguyen

Sunday 19 May, 3:00 PM OLR CES Confirmation Mass

Tuesday 21 May, 9:00 AM + Jessica Hanna

Wednesday 22 May, 7:00 PM + Giovanni Macchiaroli

Thursday 23 May, 9:00 AM Thanksgiving for favors received from the Noronha Family

Friday 24 May, 7:00 PM + Manuel dela Cruz Gonzalez

Saturday 25 May, 9:00 AM For all Parishioners Saturday 25 May, 5:00 PM + Antonio Chiarlitti

Pentecost

"PENTECOST" IS FROM THE GREEK PENTEKOSTOS WHICH MEANS FIFTHETH We celebrate Pentecost on the 50th day after Easter. On Pentecost, "the mission of the Christ and of the Spirit became the mission of the Church which is sent to proclaim and spread the mystery of the communion of the Holy Trinity."

After the example of Mary and the disciples on the first Pentecost on which "the Church came to birth," we pray and wait for the same Spirit graciously promised by Jesus and listen with quiet hearts to the Word of the Lord.

"There is no freedom greater than letting yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit and allowing Him to lead you wherever he wishes." POPEFRANCIS, MAY 14, 2018

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We recall... "When the day of Pentecost had come they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability? *xcrsz14*



Pentecost Sunday (May 19 - May 25)

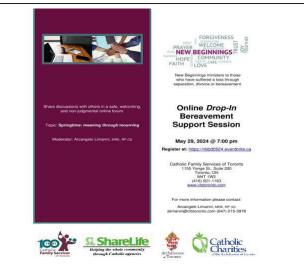
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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 Wednesday, May 29 after the 7 PM Mass. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. If you are 18+ we look forward to seeing you, feel free to invite a friend! Please bring a notebook and a bible.

INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS – SEPTEMBER 8–15, 2024

Join the Archdiocese of Toronto Delegation! Traditionally every four years, the Holy Father invites pilgrims from around the world to join in an International Eucharistic Congress. This year's event will take place in Quito, Ecuador from September 8–15, 2024. Limited spaces are available for pilgrims from the Archdiocese of Toronto to join with other Canadian delegates to travel to Ecuador. To learn more about the pilgrimage, visit

www.archtoronto.org/iec. Registration deadline is June 6, 2024. Join with other Canadian delegates to travel to Ecuador.



The Knights of Golumbus SAUSAGE & HOT DOG SALE

\$7 EACH OR 3 FOR \$20

INCLUDES COKE, GINGER ALE, DIET COKE OR WATER Saturday May 25th & Sunday May 26th 2024 | AFTER ALL MASSES Proceeds will be going to the Knight's of Columbus Roses for Life Program

YPCT LAUNCH PARTY

A new Young Adult Catholic Organization titled Young Professional Catholics of Toronto (YPCT) is hosting its first event on May 30th. All Catholic Professionals in the GTA who are interested in this event are invited to attend.



SECURITIES AS A CHARTABLE GIFT OPTION

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is with the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust and many others. To donate securities, follow this link: <u>https://bit.ly/GiftsOfSecurities</u> where you will find our "How to Gift Securities Info Sheet" and a "Letter of Direction." For more information, contact our office at <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.



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