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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. 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

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: OPENING OUR EARS TO GOD

Then will the . . . ears of the deaf be cleared. (Isaiah 35:5)

Anyone who has ever experienced hearing loss knows how isolating it can be. The deaf man in today’s Gospel must have also struggled with not being able to take part in conversations or understand what was being said. So when Jesus took him off by himself, looked to heaven, and said, “Be opened!” the man’s life changed radically (Mark 7:34).

In today’s first reading, the prophet Isaiah promised that when the Lord came to deliver Israel, he would heal the blind and deaf (35:5). The people who witnessed the deaf man’s healing saw this promise fulfilled in Jesus and even alluded to it when they said, “He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak” (Mark 7:37).

Jesus came to open our ears, too. He doesn’t want us to be isolated from him or others. But we can’t be healed of our “spiritual deafness” if we fail to spend time with him each day. We need to get “away from the crowd” (Mark 7:33)—away from all the clatter and distractions so that we can better listen to what Jesus wants to say to us. We also need a heart open to hearing his words, especially if he shows us where we need to change.

We can be deaf, too, to the people around us, most especially our loved ones. We can tune out their concerns and struggles because we’ve heard them one too many times. Or we can listen to their words but not really try to understand what’s going on beneath the surface, in their hearts.

That’s why it’s important to start each day asking the Lord to “clear” your ears (Isaiah 35:5). He wants you to hear him speaking to you, and he wants you to really listen to the people in your life. Just as he opened the ears of the man in today’s Gospel, you can trust that he will open your ears, too. There’s so much he wants you to hear and understand!

“Jesus, I want to listen. Open my ears today!”

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7
Second Reading: James 2:1-5
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 7 September, 5:00 PM
 Blessings for Nick and Debbie Boragina on their 40th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday 8 September, 9:00 AM (Italian)
 + Elizabeth Rizzuti

Sunday 8 September, 10:30 AM
 For all Parishioners

Sunday 9 September, 12:00 PM
 Special Intentions of Mark Gonzales

Tuesday 10 September, 9:00 AM
 + M. Adaikalamary

Wednesday 11 September, 7:00 PM
 + Virginia de la Cruz
 + Giuseppe Boragina
 Birthday Blessings for Agnes Abad

Thursday 12 September, 9:00 AM
 + Adriana & Antonio Tavares

Friday 13 September, 7:00 PM
 + Saniata Alzate

STREET PATROL

Join us in our monthly Street Patrol initiative, where parishioners prepare and distribute food to the homeless in downtown Toronto. Each month, we gather at 9 AM in the parish hall to prepare bagged lunches. We then travel downtown to distribute the food, returning to the parish by 3:30 PM.

If you can't participate in person, you can still help by donating supplies such as bread, deli meats, cheese, granola bars, juice boxes, and water bottles. Every donation counts!

Our next Street Patrol trip will be on Saturday, September 21, 2024.

A CALL TO COMPASSION – DONATE TO SHARELIFE

100,000 people in Toronto are expected to turn to food charities for the first time in 2024. Through our parish’s support, ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto and a generous anonymous donor are committing \$750,000 to fund food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese. Reaching our parish campaign goal will help to make these grants possible. Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion!

CHANGES IN PARISH TIMINGS

Please note that the Adoration Chapel is open Tuesday to Saturday, from 9:30 am – 5 pm. The chapel will remain closed during and between masses.

Confessions will be available every Saturday from 4 – 4:45 pm or by appointment.

There will be NO 9 am masses on Saturdays except for the following:

- Saturday, October 5th
- Saturday, October 26th
- Saturday, November 9th
- Saturday, November 16th
- Saturday, November 30th

Please visit the parish website for further information of all parish hours and mass timings.

MARTYR'S SHRINE

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2024

PLEASE REGISTER AND PAY IN THE OFFICE

**MEETING POINT:
PARISH PARKING LOT**

MEETING TIME: 8AM

DEPARTURE: 8:30AM

**ITINERARY:
WE WILL ATTEND MASS UPON ARRIVAL.
LUNCH WILL AT THE HOLY FAMILY ALTAR (AFTER MASS)
AFTER LUNCH, WE WILL HAVE A SHARING BY THE ALTAR.**

WE WILL HAVE SOME TIME TO WALK AROUND PREMISES.

**WE WILL LEAVE TOGETHER TO GO TO 'SAINT MARIE AMONG
THE HURONS' VILLAGE (WHERE THE SAINTS LIVED).**

Itinerary subject to change upon arrival to Shrine.
We ask everyone to go with an open spirit and flexibility to
unforeseen changes in the day's itinerary.
Time for each event will be given on the day of.

NOTE: BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH & SNACKS

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