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OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10 AM - 5 PM*

Wednesday: 10 AM - 5 PM* Thursday: 10 AM - 5 PM*

Friday: 10 AM - 5 PM* Saturday: 10 AM - 6 PM*

*Lunch break: 12 PM - 1 PM

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ADORATION CHAPEL

Tuesday to Saturday 9.30 am to 5.00 pm The Chapel remains closed during and between masses

> **MASS TIMES** Monday No Masses

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 AM (English)

Wednesday and Friday 7:00 PM (English)

> Saturday 5:00 PM (English)

Sunday 9:00 AM (Italian) 10:30 AM (English) 12:00 PM (English)

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be available from 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM on Saturdays or by appointment.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: THE MEASURE OF JESUS' LOVE

The Son of Man must suffer greatly . . . and be killed. (Mark 8:31)

How did Jesus know that he would die? Was it because, as God, he could see his future? Was it because, as a man, he saw his disciples' weak faith as a hint of what would happen when they faced opposition in Jerusalem? Most likely, it was a combination of both—we won't know the full answer this side of heaven.

But what we do know is that, fully aware of what would happen to him, Jesus kept going. He kept preaching the unlimited mercy of God—a message that somehow provoked many of his listeners to anger and confounded even his closest followers. He kept teaching and forming them—the very people he knew would betray, deny, and abandon him in his hour of need. He knew how it would end, but he didn't turn aside from his mission.

This is the measure of Jesus' love. Even though he knew he would die a lonely and agonizing death, he still chose to walk the path of self-giving love. He knew that if he stayed on that path all the way to the cross, the revelation of that love would ultimately pierce his disciples' hearts and transform them.

And it did. Seeing the risen Jesus on Easter Sunday changed everything for them. After all the ways they had failed him, he still came back and offered them the same love he had shown them all along. He still came back with the assurance of his forgiveness despite their sin. He still came back and entrusted them with the mission of sharing this love with the whole world. He even gave them his own Holy Spirit to empower them for this mission!

Jesus wants to do for you everything he did for his disciples. No matter what you have done or failed to do—no matter what you will do or fail to do—his love continues to flow out to you. Gaze at his cross today and receive that love!

"Jesus, I praise you for the victory—and steadfastness—of your love for me!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9 Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 14 September, 5:00 PM

+ Cristina Gonzales

Sunday 15 September, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Deceased Family of Rocco & Maria Quintino

Sunday 15 September, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 15 September, 12:00 PM

+ Pacita Aliermo

Tuesday 17 September, 9:00 AM

+ Andrew Sibbald

Wednesday 18 September, 7:00 PM

- + Razouk Luka
- + Andrea Mariano
- +Domenico Paolo
- + Antonio & Teresa Moura

Thursday 19 September, 9:00 AM

+ Deacon Dominic Pullano

Friday 20 September, 7:00 PM

- + Faye Bruni
- + Lariane & Angelito Carino
- + Deceased Members of the Adamek Family

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.

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.

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 September 25 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. Please bring a notebook and a bible.





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