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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

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Catrina Bova

Lectors:
Luz Sucilan
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

10:00 AM 4:00 PM

Lunch 12:30 - 1:30 PM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
and after First Friday mass or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact ext 1003, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Anish at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext 1007

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
4th Monday of the Month

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devpo.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus
1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 16

No Mass

Tuesday, February 17

5:30 pm Velma Pabin +

Wednesday, February 18

7:30 pm – Leticia Rumero +
- Genoveva Tuazon +

Thursday, February 19

5:30 pm – Jolanta Sakowski

Friday, February 20

5:30 pm - SI of Shynimol
Thayilchira & Family

Saturday, February 21

5:30 pm - S I. Zrinka,
Annemarie, David & Turalija
Family

Sunday, February 22

10:00 am - For Parish
Community

12:00 pm – Janina Chaladus
- Stefania Opalska
- Lidia Sdchacka

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Maryann Chard, Anne Szuba,
Ted Daniel, Cecilia Salazar, Ted
Kowalczyk, Dianne, John Huges
and Anna Maria Silva

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Vivian Prus



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all
that you vow." - Mt 5:33

"The Law Fulfilled in Love"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, today the Church reminds us that God's Law is not a burden but a gift. As the Book of Sirach tells us, "Before man are life and death... whichever he chooses shall be given him." God, in His love, gives us both His commandments and the freedom to choose. True freedom is not the absence of law; it is the grace to choose what leads to life.

St. Thomas Aquinas teaches, "Law is an ordinance of reason for the common good, made by him who has care of the community." God's Law, then, is not arbitrary it is divine wisdom guiding us toward our true good. St. Paul calls this wisdom a mystery hidden in God, revealed fully in Christ.

When Jesus says, "I have not come to abolish the Law but to fulfill it," He reveals that the fulfillment of every commandment is love. The Law reaches perfection not in strict observance alone, but in transformed hearts. As St. Augustine beautifully said, "Love, and do what you will." When love governs the heart, our choices reflect God's will.

Jesus moves us beyond external compliance to interior conversion. Avoiding anger means choosing reconciliation. Rejecting lust means honoring the dignity of others. Faithfulness in marriage reflects Christ's faithful love for His Church. Truthfulness in speech shows integrity of heart. The Law of Christ is, ultimately, the Law of Love.

St. John Paul II reminds us, "Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought." Each day, we stand before the same choice: life or death, love or selfishness, wisdom or folly.

May we choose life by choosing love. May our obedience flow not from fear, but from gratitude. For in Christ, the Law is no longer written on stone alone, but upon our hearts.

Jesus, I Trust in you

Lenten Recollection, Reconciliation & Healing Mission March 6, 2026

This Lent, give your soul the gift of stillness, prayer, and renewal. St. Joan of Arc Parish warmly invites you to a special evening of Lenten Recollection, Reconciliation, and Healing service led by Fr. Roy Palatty, CMI Spiritual Director of Shalom World, renowned preacher, and Professor of Philosophy.

With his inspiring guidance, this grace-filled gathering will help you pause from the busyness of life, listen to God's Word, and open your heart to His mercy. Come to deepen your faith, experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation, receive healing prayers, and rediscover the peace that only Christ can give.

Program Schedule (5:30–8:30 PM): Stations of the Cross, Lenten Recollection, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Mass, Healing Service.

All are welcome individuals, couples, families, and anyone seeking renewal. Step into God's presence. Be refreshed by His love. Let this Lent be a time of true transformation.

Please note: No Mass on Mondays starting in February

Merrymakers -February Luncheon

Mark your calendars! The Merrymakers lunch will take place on Thursday, February 19th. Tickets are \$15.00 each and are available for purchase after each weekend Mass in the church hall. We look forward to welcoming everyone to our first luncheon of the year!

Stations Of The Cross – Every Friday

During Lent, there will be the **Stations of the Cross** every Friday right after the 5:30 Mass. As ‘pilgrims of hope’, this is a prayerful way to accompany Jesus on His journey of suffering, death and resurrection. This **Friday, February 20th**, the Stations will be lead by **SJA Development and Peace**.

D&P Lent’26: On Track For Justice

Next weekend, there will a *Development & Peace* brochure in the bulletin. It introduces the D&P Lent ’26 theme: *On Track for Justice*. It shares how D&P works to raise awareness in Canada about the causes of inequality and injustice and actions we can take and how it supports partner-led projects in 34 countries around the world. It highlights Brazil and its ‘*resist to exist*’ struggle. There is, also, an informative and fun Solidarity Calendar to journey throughout the 40 days of Lent. (Great to put on your fridge). Something for the whole family!!

Fair Trade Weekend - Feb. 21/22

Next weekend, *Development and Peace* welcome you to **Fair Trade Weekend - Feb. 21 /22** - after the 5:30 and 10:00 Masses. Fair Trade principles work to ensure women's economic empowerment and that there is no child labour or forced labour involved. These principles are deeply rooted in Catholic Social Teaching.

Catholic Women League

All C.W.L Members, must pay their annual fees of \$32. Please bring the payment at Parish office with your name.

Missel And Missalette

2026 Missel available in office for \$ 5.50 each.

Missalette for the month of February available in office for \$4.25.

Address Update Reminder

If you have recently changed your address, please contact the parish office or the bookkeeper so we can update our records. This ensures your tax receipt for 2025, and any future parish communications reach you without delay. Thank you.

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

The Online Bereavement Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psychoeducation, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, and time will be allocated for group discussion. We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds.

Online Bereavement Introductory Program

February 25, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbb0226.eventbrite.ca>

For more information please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying)
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2026 Sunday Offering Envelopes & Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

The 2026 Sunday Offering Envelopes are now available in the parish hall. Please note that box numbers have changed if your previous number was above 220, you have been assigned a new lower number. If you could not find your envelopes, please contact the parish office. For the first few weeks, kindly write your name and address clearly on your envelopes to help us update our records.

We also invite parishioners to consider Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), a simple and automatic way to support the parish monthly. PAG forms are available at the church entrance, in the parish office, and on our parish website. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

Upcoming events in February

-Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Mass at 12 pm and 7 pm.

-Merrymakers Luncheon – February 19, 2026

- Fair Trade Weekend - Feb. 21/22
First Sunday of Lent - Sunday, February 22, 2026

Please Note the Parish Contact Information Has Changed

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