

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*

MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon., Oct. 14 th	9am	+ Gerard Meisenzahl
Tue., Oct. 15 th	8am	+ Rita Francis
Wed., Oct. 16 th	8am	+ Teresa Lederri
Thu., Oct. 17 th	8am	+ Philomena Currie
Fri., Oct. 18 th	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Sat., Oct. 19 th	9am	(SI) Josefina & Jose Jamisola, (SI) Da Silva family, + Rustico Santiago, + Ma. Leonisa Pontillas, + Giuseppina Forte, + Jenny & Enzo Di Mito, + Collan & Doreen Coates
	5pm	+ Marianne Hannan
Sun., Oct. 20 th	8am	+ Antonietta & Giovanni Liscio
	10am	+ Edilberto de la Cruz
	12pm	"Populo" for the intentions of our parish families
	7pm	+ Dora Miceli

Lighting a Candle 'Gift' Cards
 Lighting a candle for someone? Please help yourself to a 'gift' card that you can give/send to the individual you lit the candle for. They are located by the candle stands.

Sanctuary Candles sponsored Oct. 13 th to Nov. 12 th , 2024 for: + Lennart Lundberg	
Nov. 13 th to Dec. 12 th , 2024	(SI) Dave Tate & family
Dec. 13 th , 2024 to Jan. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Sayaman family
Jan. 13 th to Feb. 12 th , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Letassey & Yap families
Feb. 13 th to Mar. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Peter Yiu
Mar. 13 th to Apr. 12 th , 2025	+ Aldo Cristofoli
Apr. 13 th to May 12 th , 2025	(SI) Vinluan family
May 13 th to Jun. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Donkers & Blanco families
Jun. 13 th to Jul. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Jack & Ruth Doris
Jul. 13 th to Aug. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Alberto & Louro families
Aug. 13 th to Sep. 12 th , 2025	(SI) Chen family
Sep. 13 th to Oct. 12 th , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Alberto & Louro families
Oct. 13 th to Nov. 12 th , 2025	+ Deceased members of the Da Silva & D'Souza families
Nov. 13 th to Dec. 12 th , 2025	+ Deceased Priests & Bishops

From the Pastor's Desk

Coming to our Church

Thank you to all who took the time to speak with me directly, as well as those who called or emailed on the proposal of acquiring a statue of Our Lady of Lourdes for our church. There is strong support in favour of going ahead with the project. Please note that general parish funds will NOT be used for this purchase. Private donations will be used instead for this project, which includes the purchase of a custom-made statue, preparation and painting of the wall, and the building of an appropriate stand. The lighting is already in place.



My sincere thanks to those who have already contributed as another demonstration of support. The final price is still being determined by the statue manufacturer (it will be based on the exchange rate from euros to canadian dollars, including shipping and customs, and will likely cost anywhere between \$15,000 and \$20,000 CAD). A summary of the accounting will be printed in future bulletins and tax receipts will be issued to the private donors. As such, private donations are always welcome. Thank you for your generous support of this project.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

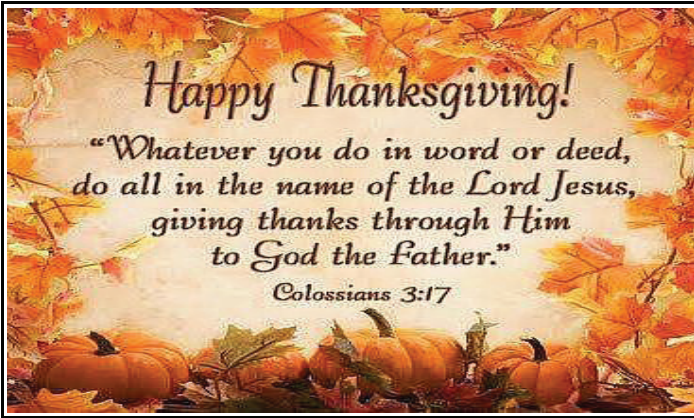


The novena has commenced in our church and will be recited every Wednesday 7 minutes before the 8am Mass. We have prepared the script and will be using the existing printed image of Our Lady that was previously donated. The Mass celebrant will lead the novena before Mass begins.

More information on this special prayer to Our Lady will be printed in future bulletins.

James Syfko

Please join me in officially welcoming our new seminarian in formation James Syfko. James was ordained to the transitional diaconate last weekend on Sat., Oct. 5th at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Toronto and has been assigned to our parish. He will be here for a few weekends while completing his studies, and more regularly as a deacon for the last semester, until his priestly ordination in May of 2025.



BISHOP'S AWARD FOR SERVICE



Congratulations to our altar servers Joseph C., Alexandra D., Clare G., Chloe P., Jamie P., Ricardo P., Khloe S., and Logan V., who have received the BISHOP'S AWARD FOR SERVICE for their dedication and commitment to this important ministry in our parish. The awards were presented at St. Clare of Assisi Parish in Woodbridge on Sat., Oct. 12th. Congratulations to each and every server and thank you for your dedicated service.

Registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation



As in the past two years, we will have 'final preparation' sessions for those children wanting to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Registration forms are now available through the local catholic schools. For those in the public/other school sectors belonging to our parish, registration forms are available at the parish office. Dates and full details are provided with the registration forms. Completed forms are to be returned to the parish office, NOT to the schools.

Office closed

On Mon., Oct. 14th, the office will be closed for Thanksgiving Day and the church will be closed after the 9am Mass and Rosary.



The following toiletries are needed for the weekend of October 19 – 20, 2024:

- Men's Deodrant
 - Women's Razors
 - Kleenex
 - Shampoo
 - Toilet Paper
 - Baby Wipes
 - Diaper Sizes 4, 5 & 6
 - Hand Soap
 - Dish / Laundry Detergent
 - Paper Towels
- Please leave your donation on the upper narthex.

Thank you so much.

Debt Reduction

This weekend, our second collection will go towards reducing our parish debt. Please give generously. Your efforts help to support our parish life and community. Thank you for your kindness.

Vocation Seeds

If we really believe in something, it does not seem to be a sacrifice to give up everything else to pursue that new dream. Jesus asks the same as any great leader: total dedication; but He promises rewards no one else can promise. "You will have treasure in Heaven, then come, follow Me." Come, follow the call of Christ as a priest, sister, brother, or deacon. If you think God is calling you to one of these, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, by phone at 416-968-0997 or via email at vocations@archtoronto.org. For more information, go to www.vocationstoronto.ca.

Miraculous Medals

Beautiful Miraculous Medals are available for a donation of: \$7 – Large, \$5 – Medium, or \$3 – Small.



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- Our Blessed Mother Mary to St. Catherine Labouré

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