





# **ST. MARY IMMACULATE PARISH**

## **PARISH OFFICE**

The Parish office is open, by appointment only, on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (closed 12-1 pm for lunch). Please contact the parish office to schedule an appointment.

## **NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS**

Our new email address is

**[stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org)**

## **NOVENA TO PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA**

Tuesday, September 14 we begin the 9 day Novena to St. Padre Pio. We will conclude the Novena on September 22, the day before the Feast day of St. Padre Pio. Novena prayer is available at the entrance and exit doors of the Church and on our website.

**September 23, 2021 Feast Day of St. Padre Pio  
Mass at 8:00 am and bilingual Mass at 12:10 pm**

## **2021-2022 SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION**

Children beginning grade 2 and grade 7 in September 2021 and would like to receive the Sacraments are asked to register with the Parish. Registrations will begin

**October 4, 2021.**

Forms will become available on our website.



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## Ways to support your Parish

- **At Mass** in the offertory collection basket.
- **Drop off** your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office. Sealed envelopes may be dropped off through the mail box slot of the parish office door.
- **Mail** your regular weekly offertory contribution to:  
St. Mary Immaculate Church  
10295 Yonge St.  
Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C 3B9
- Visit our **Donate Now** page <https://community.archtoronto.org/> and select the region for our parish from the map. You will be taken to a page that allows you to choose your parish, amount of your gift – one-time or recurring and payment method – credit card or chequing account.
- You can contribute to the offertory via **on-line banking** – similar to how you may be paying your utility bills. To do this, we need to send you your unique account number. Please e-mail us at [campaign@archtoronto.org](mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org). In the body of the email provide us with your name, address, parish name and municipality. We will email you your account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to your parish. You can make a one-time or recurring gift to your offertory. This is the most cost effective way to donate electronically.

**Thank you for your ongoing financial support  
during these hard times.**



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## SCHEDULE OF LIVE-STREAM MASSES

(Live-stream Masses are available on YouTube channel, [SMI Parish](#))

### Sunday Masses

9:30 am in Italian

11:00 am in English

## THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

<b>Mon. Sept 13</b>	Memorial	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor
<b>Tues. Sept 14</b>	Feast	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
<b>Wed. Sept 15</b>	Memorial	Our Lady of Sorrows
<b>Thurs. Sept 16</b>	Memorial	St. Cornelius, Pope St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
<b>Fri. Sept 17</b>	Memorial	St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor

## READINGS THIS WEEK

**Sunday** Isaiah 50.5-9: James 2.14-18: Mark 8.27-35  
**Monday** 1 Timothy 2.1-7++: Luke 7.1-10  
**Tuesday** Numbers 21.4-9 or Philippians 2.6-11: John 3.13-17  
**Wednesday** Hebrews 5.7-9: Luke 2.33-35 or John 19.25-27  
**Thursday** 1 Timothy 4.12-16: Luke 7.36-50  
**Friday** 1 Timothy 6.2c-12: Luke 8.1-3  
**Saturday** 1 Timothy 6.13-16: Luke 8.4-15



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### **Please note that we are still running our 2021 ShareLife Campaign**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 12, 2021**

#### **Living the Gospel by supporting residents of long-term care**

The Houses of Providence in Scarborough is a ShareLife-funded agency that provides long-term care for seniors.

"It's been hard during COVID-19," says Mary, one of its residents, "but we understand the precautions that staff are taking. Providence staff have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job. I thank them every time I see them for their hard work."

Did you know that you can contribute to ShareLife agencies like the Houses of Providence through Pre-Authorized Giving? Please consider making a monthly contribution to ShareLife using PAG.

**October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at [sharelife.org](https://sharelife.org).**

**Thank you for supporting ShareLife!**

### **SHARELIFE COLLECTION DATES**

**October 2-3**

**October 30-31**

**To learn more about ShareLife, visit their website [sharelife.org](https://sharelife.org)**



# ST. MARY IMMACULATE PARISH

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I take such strength from Peter. He got it right about half the time. But he got it REALLY RIGHT at the beginning of today's gospel, when he confessed Jesus as the Christ, the Messiah. And then, just a few verses later, he admonished Jesus that OF COURSE he wouldn't suffer and die. That's not how Messiahs work!

And just like that he was back at the end of the line, "getting behind" Jesus instead of walking with him in the front. Like so many who encountered Jesus in Mark's gospel, Peter took his place with the others who were following Jesus on the Way.

When Jesus announced that **those who followed him** would have crosses as well, I would have headed for the hills. *Nobody told me that the price of admission to the kingdom involves suffering! Where is the escape clause in this contract?*

Way back when we were baptized, we (or our parents and Godparents), renounced Satan and all his empty promises. And one of those empty promises, probably the most seductive of all, is that there are ways to get through life without suffering.

*Turn these stones to bread!* Satan tempted a hungry Jesus. *Throw yourself down from the Temple parapet and let the angels catch you!* a mocking Satan invited Jesus to break the laws of nature.

God bless St. Peter. He was confused, and afraid. **But still he followed Jesus.** Years later, utterly joyous to meet his Risen Lord, he invited his executioners to crucify him upside down. He felt unworthy to die in the same posture as his Christ. And he knew that the gates of heaven were reaching down to receive him.

*What crosses in your life do you take up every day?*

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## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Join us to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet via our Parish zoom every Friday from **3:00 pm – 3:30 pm**. The chaplet will be led by Catholic Women's League (CWL).

Contact the parish office to receive your zoom invitation link.

## BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

Want to know more about Jesus? Come and discover what the Psalms reveal through an interactive, fun and inspiring bible study! Meet new people while learning more about our Lord Jesus Christ.

**The Great Adventure**

**Psalms**

**The School of Prayer**

**By Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer and Tim Gray**

**Commencing on Thursday, October 7 to Thursday, December 16, 2021  
from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

**To be determined if classes will be in person or via zoom**

To register contact the Parish Office at 905-884-1784 or  
[stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org)

Deadline to register: September 30, 2021

## RCIA PROGRAM (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

Do you wish to become catholic or know someone else who does? Adults interested in becoming Catholics or needing the Sacrament of Confirmation or seeking to deepen their faith are invited to call the Parish office for information about the RCIA program (Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults). The program will begin **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**. Contact the Parish office to register.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is looking for dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers to teach the program on **Sundays at 11:00 am during the Children's Mass!** It is highly recommended that anyone who is interested in pursuing a career in teaching, or those who are already in teacher's college, to contact the Parish Office. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your passion and faith with our youth.



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## SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Sunday School program is looking for dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers to teach the program on **Sundays either virtual from 9:00 am – 9:45 am or in-person from 10:00 am – 10:45 am**. It is highly recommended that anyone who is interested in pursuing a career in teaching, or those who are already in teacher's college, to contact the Parish Office. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your passion and faith with our youth.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Our Parish is offering marriage preparation course.

**Fall session: October 20, 2021 – November 24, 2021**

**Spring session: February 23, 2022 – March 30, 2022**

If you are planning to marry in the near future and would like to register, contact the Parish office.

## CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sophia Katerini Kalogeras, Matias Vincent Provenzano, Leo Francesco Ieraci, Niko  
Andreas Beddard and Ethan Angelo Kameka

**We welcome you into the Church! We wish the parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!**

## CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Ariel Medeiros & Anthony Cosentino

Adriana Palazzolo & Anthony Marmora

**We wish them an abundance of God's graces and the loving care of our Mother Mary!**



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## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS**

Maddalena Cardillo and Graziela Moniz

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS**

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at office@smirh.com.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Clyke, Clara Pacitti, Sandi Weinholdt, Margaret McLaughlin, Anthony, Stephen Ahlowalia, Lester Camat, Angelo

## **SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS**

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.



### **SEPT 13 - 19: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:**

The end of COVID world pandemic



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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Offer your Mass intentions for loved ones, living or deceased.  
Contact the Parish office to book your Mass intention at  
905-884-1784 during office hours.**

### MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 13 - 19

<b>Mon. Sept 13</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Giuseppe Giusti
<b>Tues. Sept 14</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+John & +Brian Forkan
<b>Wed. Sept 15</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Angelina Palazzo +Filomena Santopolo
<b>Thurs. Sept 16</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+ Frank Piazza Spec. Int. for Mark Danko on his birthday
<b>Fri. Sept 17</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Raffaella Caldarola
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	+Ho Hon-Kwong +John Stancato
<b>Sat. Sept 18</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+Evelyn Cecilia Javate
<b>Sun. Sept 19</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Azucena Uy
	<b>9:30 am</b>	+Dante & +Rocco Antonacci +Pietro & +Concetta Scalzone +Savina & +Michele DeAngelis & family +Mario & +Genoveffa Azzoli
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Tiberio Simoes & +Corrado Morana +Pietro Sarracini
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	+Antonio Velina

## ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander throughout the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.