

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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CHURCH HOURS

Monday to Friday 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sat 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

MUSIC DIRECTORS Edwin Chiu: Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Geoff Butler: Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

T.C.D.S.B. SCHOOL CONNECTED TO THE PARISH

Holy Rosary Catholic School: 416-393-5225
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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We ask new parishioners to register with the Parish. Forms and Donation Envelopes are available at Church entrances, the Parish Office and www.holyrosary.ca

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

ROSARY Monday to Friday: 11:40 a.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday: 12:40 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday evening 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS TO SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament until 3pm with devotions at 2:45 p.m.

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Rosary with Veneration of Relics of St. Jacinta and Francisco Marto at 8:30 a.m.

Confessions at 8:30 a.m. Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration with Fatima Prayers 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Monday to Sunday 30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Please contact the parish office.

ARRANGING A WEDDING Please contact the Parish Office for information at least 1 year in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND CARE FOR THE ELDERLY & SHUT-INS

Those confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, may arrange to receive communion by contacting the Parish Office.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near."

(Philippians 4.4-5)

Weekly Biblical Reflection

"Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" These are the words John the Baptist wants his disciples to address to Jesus. He has foretold the coming of Jesus, he led people to him, and he witnessed to the truth in front of King Herod, and for this reason, he was imprisoned.

After all he has done, now John the Baptist is suffering, and he is waiting for the revelation of the Messiah, yet Jesus seems to delay; it seems that Jesus is not acting as John would have expected, and so, fear and doubt begin to oppress the Baptist. The answer of Jesus is very firm: "Go and tell John what you hear and see [...] And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me." As the last part of the Gospel makes clear, Jesus is not belittling John the Baptist, but he is asking him to trust in him, to have faith.

We, too, faced with sufferings and problems, might go through times of fear and doubt; at times, we would like God to act differently. On this third Sunday of Advent, Jesus invites us to trust. He sees further than we do and knows better than we do. Advent is a time of waiting, and many of us do not like to wait, but Jesus is teaching us to be patient so that our desire for him may grow. God fulfills his promises at the appropriate time. He invites us to look and listen, to be watchful for his coming, to trust him, because he is the one our hearts are truly waiting for.

- Deacon Matteo

Announcements

1. Beloved Parishioners: on Wednesday, December 17th, at 7 PM, we are having a Christmas Concert in the Parish Hall, in thanksgiving for our Parish family and to share the joy of this season. There will be live music with Christmas sing-a-longs, Panettone, and traditional hot chocolate. Please save the date, and we will see you there!

2. 2025 DONATION DEADLINE

Any donations received in the Parish Office by noon on December 31, 2025, will be credited toward your 2025 charitable donation tax receipt. Donations received after that time will be considered 2026 donations. In

accordance with CRA regulations, donations submitted by mail must be postmarked by Canada Post by December 31, 2025, to be eligible for a 2025 tax receipt.

3. If you are registered to receive donation envelopes, the 2026 donation envelopes are ready for pickup at the accessible entrance of the Church.

Please DO NOT USE these envelopes until January 1st, 2026. If you would like to register to receive donation envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

4. The next event for the Seniors' Club will take place on Wednesday, December 17th at 12:45 PM in Room 2 of the Parish Hall. It is our Christmas Party, with Geoff at the keyboard. There will be carol singing, and lunch will be served. Please register with a member of the Seniors' Committee at the main entrance of the Church following all the Masses this weekend.

5. Your contribution to ShareLife will be matched dollar-for-dollar!

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year's end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

As we approach the end of the year, your loving support is crucial, as ShareLife-funded agencies strive to bring hope and relief to those facing their most challenging times. Jesus speaks to us through our brothers and sisters in need (cf. Mt 25:31-45). In every gift we give to them, there is a reflection of God's love. Your sacrificial gift this Advent can provide essential support and comfort to those in desperate need, showing them that they are not alone during trying times.

Our goal this year is \$111,000. To date, we have achieved \$85,637 (77.2%). Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

6. The Churches-on-the-Hill DECEMBER Food of the Month donation is DRY PASTA. Please bring your donation to the Parish Office. With rising food costs, the Foodbank is serving a record number of clients (approximately 1200 people per week). Visit us at our website, www.cothfoodbank.ca, for more information or to donate. On behalf of the clients and volunteers at COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.

DECEMBER 14th, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 15, 2025

12:10 pm. Pasquale Bellissimo & Tony Bellissimo
Requested By: The Family

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

12:10 pm. Gerry Timmins (+)
Requested By: Elaine & Terry

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

12:10 pm. Pope Francis (+)
Requested By: Anonymous

Thursday, December 18, 2025

12:10 pm. Domenic Bui (+)
Requested By: Yen Bui

Friday, December 19, 2025

12:10 pm. Angelita Peralta (Birthday Blessings)
Requested By: Angelita

Multiple Intentions:

T.H. (Christmas Blessings), Javier Jose Buelvas Macea (+), Dr. Jozef Krop (+)

Saturday, December 20, 2025

Saint Lucy

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary and in reparation for all sins committed against her Immaculate Heart

5:00 pm Martin Songahid Jr. (+) & Floerfina Songahid (+)

Requested By: Family

Sunday, December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners

10:00 am. Estela Mafituna Leal (+)
Requested By: Sherlita Di Bratto

12:00 pm. Personal Intentions of Wiktor Patoka

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Richard Marshall, Paul Swarney, Kaye Graham, Mary Hopkins, Peter Robinson, Dominic Curran, Gerard Gonsalves, Mary Castillo de Vega, Mary Agnes Ludwick, Madeleine Mendoza, Peter Verwoerd,

Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeck, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Please remember in your prayers those who recently died, especially: Amanda (+)

Christmastide Mass Schedule



Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

5 PM & 8 PM Mass (Christmas Caroling at 7:30 PM)

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Friday, December 26

9 AM Mass (there is no 12:10 PM Mass)

Saturday, December 27

9 AM & 5 PM Mass

Sunday, December 28 - Feast of the Holy Family

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Monday, December 29

12:10 PM Mass

Tuesday, December 30

12:10 PM Mass

Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

5 PM Mass (no 12:10 PM Mass)

Thursday, January 1 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Friday, January 2

12:10 PM Mass

Saturday, January 3

9 AM & 5 PM Mass

Sunday, January 4 - Epiphany of Our Lord

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

*Masses will be livestreamed

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