

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.

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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.

PATRONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF HOLY ROSARY

"Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all." (Cf. Esther 4.17)

Weekly Biblical Reflection

"Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." (Lk 1:28)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday, we joyfully celebrate our Patronal Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, normally observed on October 7th each year. Because the feast day falls on a weekday this year, the Chancellor of Spiritual Affairs has graciously granted permission to transfer the celebration to this Sunday, so that our full community may share in it together.

The historical events behind this feast are both fascinating and stirring. In 1571, Pope St. Pius V formed an alliance of Catholic powers — the Papal States, Spain, and Genoa — known as the Holy League, to defend Christian civilization against the advancing Ottoman forces. On the eve of battle, the men of the Holy League fell to their knees on the decks of their galleys and prayed the Rosary. Back in Rome and across the Italian peninsula, at the urging of Pope Pius V, churches were filled with the faithful doing the same. On October 7, 1571, a great victory over the mighty Turkish fleet was won by Catholic naval forces under the command of Don Juan of Austria. In thanksgiving for the victory, Pope St. Pius V ordered that a commemoration of the Rosary be made on that day.

As the historian John F. Guilmartin, Jr. observed, a Turkish victory at Lepanto would have been a catastrophe of the first magnitude for Christendom — and Europe would have followed a strikingly different historical path. October 7, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, celebrates the victory at Lepanto — the battle that saved the Christian West from defeat at the hands of the Ottoman Turks.

When we look at our world today, we constantly encounter what Our Lord foretold: "wars and rumors of wars" (Mt 24:6). There is little peace in the world, and often little peace in our own homes and communities. This can leave us feeling helpless — but we are not powerless. The Christians of sixteenth-century Europe felt the same despair, and they responded with one voice, turning to Our Lady in prayer. Like a loving mother, she heard their cry and interceded for her children. Europe was spared.

This feast proclaims a timeless truth: there is no situation in life so perilous that faithful prayer cannot help. But why pray the Rosary? When we pray it with devotion, we are not simply repeating words — we are praying to God with and through His Mother. We meditate on the life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and we reflect on Mary's role in His life and in ours. In 2002, Pope John Paul II enriched the Rosary further by adding the Luminous Mysteries — the Baptism of the Lord, the Wedding Feast of Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom, the

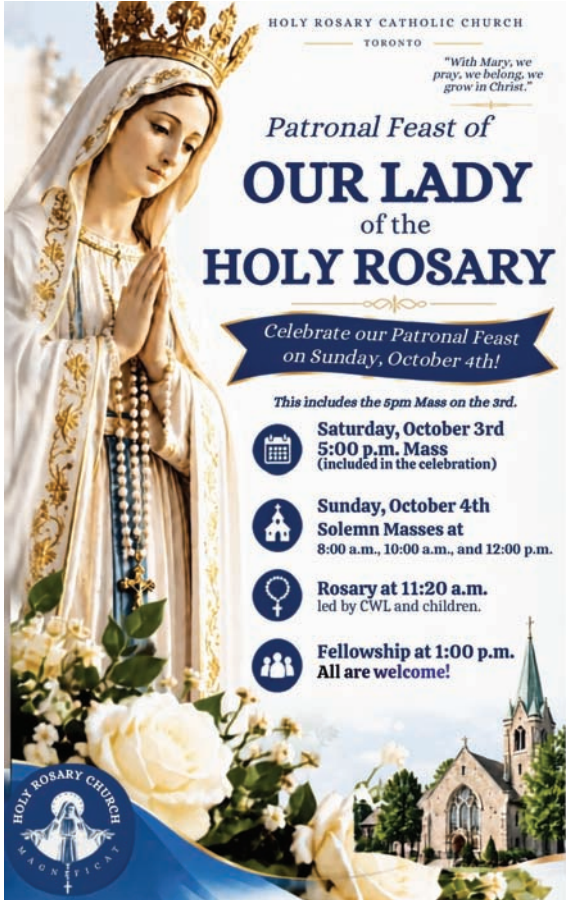
Transfiguration, and the Institution of the Holy Eucharist. The Rosary is no relic of the past — it is a living prayer that places us in the presence of Christ Himself. The Lord promised: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them" (Mt 18:20). When we pray the Rosary, at minimum two are gathered — you and Our Lady. And where she is, her Son is always present and listening attentively.

Pray the Rosary. It is one of the most powerful prayers given to the Church.

God bless, Fr. Peter

Announcements

1. The Legion of Mary will run a Columban Drive (membership/recruitment drive) after all the weekend Masses of October 3/4. Membership is open to all men and women, 18 and above. If you want to grow in profound devotion to the Blessed Virgin and want to participate in the work of evangelization in our Parish, you are cordially invited to join us. Please come and meet the Legionaries at the main entrance of the Church.



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
TORONTO

"With Mary, we pray, we belong, we grow in Christ."

**Patronal Feast of
OUR LADY
of the
HOLY ROSARY**

**Celebrate our Patronal Feast
on Sunday, October 4th!**

This includes the 5pm Mass on the 3rd.

-  **Saturday, October 3rd**
5:00 p.m. Mass
(included in the celebration)
-  **Sunday, October 4th**
Solemn Masses at
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m.
-  **Rosary at 11:20 a.m.**
led by CWL and children.
-  **Fellowship at 1:00 p.m.**
All are welcome!

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TORONTO

OCTOBER 4th, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 5, 2026

12:10 pm. Petronio Gica (+) (In memory of his 103rd Birthday)

Requested By: Delia Gica

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

12:10 pm. Abraham DaSilva (Birthday Blessings)

Requested By: Susan, Cathy & Toni

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

Our Lady of the Rosary

12:10 pm. Holy Rosary Parishioners

Thursday, October 8, 2026

12:10 pm. Mary Jane Martin (+)

Requested By: Valerie & Matthew Hoffman

Friday, October 9, 2026

12:10 pm. Efrain Castillo (+)

Requested By: Roberto

Multiple Intentions: Denis Dickson (+), Maria Abas Eugenio (+), Joel Barbaste (+), Ruud (+) & Catharina Vanrun (+), Barnard Rodrigues-Nascimento (for healing), Deepa & Samson (In Thanksgiving), Lana Anderson (for healing)

Saturday, October 10, 2026

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

5:00 pm. Sylvia Lukban (+)

Requested By: Family

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners & Doris Dalton (+)

Requested By: Bill Dalton

10:00 am. Benita Ico (+) & Raul Abalona Sr. (+)

Requested By: Family

12:00 pm. Gaudencio Fabro (+)

Requested By: Family

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Candice Demello, Olga Landry, Zacarias Libo-On, Glynda Kou, Matthew Carlos Duarte, Teresa Oziewicz, Guylaine Cormier, Yakym Bilyk, Denis Connolly, Goretti Raposo, Miranda Thompson, 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, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeek, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection – October 3/4, 2026

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held **this weekend of October 3/4**, to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

To date, the Archdiocese of Toronto has allocated \$4.5 million to support projects that focus on culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities, and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth.

Let us join together and follow the invitation extended by the late Pope Francis during his penitential visit of 2022 for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation. Thank you for your generosity.

The Out of the Cold Program will be opening for the 2026-2027 season on Saturday, October 24th, running for 20 weeks. We are looking for home cooks who would like to provide the entrée portion that we serve. The cooks would prepare and deliver the food to the church hall each Saturday before 11. Menu and recipe are provided. This Soup Kitchen provides a warm place and hot meal for those in our community facing food insecurity. Feeding the poor is a fundamental act of human compassion that addresses immediate physical survival while driving broader social, economic, and spiritual growth.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Jackie Jensen at jjanthegirls@gmail.com

Please note that on behalf of Fr. Wedner Berard of the National Shrine, the Fall Tour of the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape on October 23rd has regrettably been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

To date, our Parish has raised \$73, 162 for Sharelife. This is 62% of our \$118, 000 goal.

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