

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH

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OCTOBER 3, 2021 – ORDINARY TIME 27TH SUNDAY



2022 Sunday Envelopes will be available mid-November in the parish hall.

Ways in which you can support your parish:

SUNDAY ENVELOPES:

A set of offering envelopes will be prepared for you to pick up at the parish office.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING:

This new way of supporting the church is now being offered in our parish and many of our parishioners may find this method practical and convenient.

DONATE ON-LINE:

Alternately to donate online to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish, please [click here Archdiocese of Toronto](#) and select St. Lawrence Martyr Parish from the drop list.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONER —> [click here.](#)



Thank you and GOD bless you!



PARISH OFFICE and HOURS:

Julia Di Paolo — Parish Secretary

Mon to Thurs: 9:15 AM — 12:00 PM

1:00 PM — 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:15 AM — 1:00 PM

Sunday: 9:15 AM — 1:00 PM

Closed on Saturday and Holidays

PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Fr. Roy Farrell, *Pastor*

Rev. Fr. Jimmy Joseph, *Associate Pastor*

Rev. Fr. Russell Asch, *Chaplain to the Faithful participating in the Extraordinary Rite of the Latin Mass*

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm (English)

Sunday Mass : 8:30 am (English)

10:00 am (Italian)

11:30 am (English)

1:00 pm (Latin)

5:00 pm (English)

DAILY MASSES:

English: 8:30 am Monday to Saturday

Latin: 11:00 am Monday to Wednesday

7:00 am Thursday

7:00 pm Friday

10:00 am Saturday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays following the 8:30 am Mass

Saturdays 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm

Any time by request

PARISH GROUPS:

We invite you to consider joining a parish group.

For more information, call the parish office.

FOR SACRAMENTS (BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANNOINTING of the SICK, RCIA, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL):

Please contact the parish office Tel No. 416-759-9359

PARISH SCHOOL:

St. Lawrence Catholic School Tel No. 416-393-5264

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GOSPEL SUMMARY:

Mark 10:2-16

In the first part of today's Gospel, Jesus reminds his listeners of what was God's original plan for marriage. A man and a woman are to be joined together and so become one flesh. In the second part of the Gospel, Jesus welcomed the children to come to him, and instructs that we, too, are to accept the kingdom of God like a child.

REFLECTION FOR PARENTS:

At the end of today's Gospel, Jesus embraces and blesses the children, placing his hands upon them. Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, © 2007), includes suggestions for daily blessings titled Daily Blessing of a Child. Consider offering one of the short blessings to your child at the beginning or end of the day, when your child leaves home in the morning, or when your child returns home at the end of the school day. Make the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as you offer the blessing.

- May God bless you.
- May God keep you safe.
- God be with you.
- God be in your heart.
- May God bless and protect you..

BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:

In today's Gospel, the disciples rebuked, or "disapproved of," the children who came to Jesus. As a family, search your parish bulletin or Web site for opportunities to minister to children who are unwanted, forgotten, or in need. Such opportunities may include collecting diapers and formula for infants in need, donating gently used toys and books for children living in local shelters, or donating money to larger relief efforts for children living in poverty throughout the world. Make a family action plan and follow through on your commitment.

DISCUSSION STARTERS:

1. As a child, someone who always made me feel welcome and loved was . . .
2. A child I know who needs kindness and friendship is... and I will be a friend to that child by...
3. A married couple I will pray for every day this week is...

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Special Prayers
For Those in Need



FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Please remember in your prayers: those who are sick and for those who love and minister to them – John Miceli, Gianna Ramzi, Francisco William, Stephanie Solomon, Antonio Sorbera, Bill Mattews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Joey Bagnato, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Domingo Catolos, Marylou Gaerlan, Eileen and Mary Nicol, Betty Byrne.

VOCATION REFLECTION:

Matrimony— a beautiful vocation so misused today.
Celibacy— a beautiful gift so misunderstood today.
Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto.

Tel No. 416-968-0997

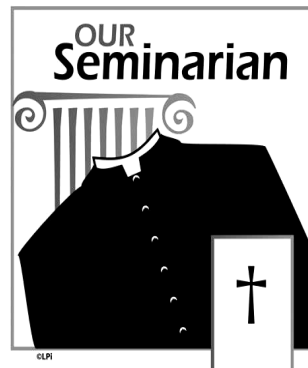
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Website <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>



OUR PARISH SEMINARIAN INTERN

Hi, my name is *Daniel Lee* and I was born in Seoul, South Korea, and moved to Toronto in 1999. My whole family was baptized at Easter Vigil in 2000 at St. Andrew Kim Korean Catholic Church in Toronto. I was then involved in the youth group and served at Mass at the parish during my high school years. When I was in grade 11, I had a chance to visit St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto and learned about the priesthood for the very first time. After such an unforgettable experience, I began spending more time in prayer, which led me to encounter God's call to the priesthood. I entered formation at St. Augustine's Seminary in 2016 – I have never felt so blessed ever since.



I will be on my Internship at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish until the end of July next year. Please keep me and my brother seminarians in your prayers. I will continue to keep all of you in my prayers and looking forward to meeting you all. God bless.

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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY OCTOBER 2ND – SABATO

5:00 P.M. – Francis Fernandes

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3RD – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. – + Stella Pereira

10:00 A.M. – Susanna e Gianni Onisto
Concetta, Giulia e Filippo Lembo - Joe Di Grado
Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia
Mike e Vito Cuoppolo
Vito Sciuto e defunti famiglia
Vito Baudo e defunti famiglia
Franco e Elisabetta Sinopoli e defunti famiglia
Vito De Nardo e defunti famiglia
Antonino e Rosaria Lisciandro
Teresa Pagliaro - Rosa Fulciniti
Antonino Tuccitto e defunti famiglia
Vicenzo Pitino e defunti famiglia

11:30 A.M. – + Saymil Rosales

1:00 P.M. – Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. – + Holy Souls In Purgatory

MONDAY OCTOBER 4TH – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. – Stephanie Bagasan

11:00 A.M. – Maria Georgina Jose

TUESDAY OCTOBER 5TH – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. – Sacha Bagasan

11:00 A.M. – + Holy Souls In Purgatory

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6TH – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Arsenia Elegato

11:00 A.M. – In Thanksgiving to our Lady of Victory

THURSDAY OCTOBER 7TH – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. – + Holy Souls In Purgatory

8:30 A.M. – Marylou Gaerlan

FRIDAY OCTOBER 8TH – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. – Eulogia & Rolando Balutan

7:00 P.M. – Theresa Burlton

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9TH – SABATO

8:30 A.M. – Dionisia Amizola

10:00 A.M. – + Sarah & Albert Perera

Dear Padre – September 26, 2021

I just got my new driver's license, and my wife is encouraging me to sign up to be an organ donor. Are organ transplants permitted by the Catholic Church?



Yes, under certain conditions. The Catechism of the Catholic Church affirms that "organ transplants are in conformity with the moral law if the physical and psychological dangers and risks to the donor are proportionate to the good that is sought for the recipient" (CCC 2296).

Organ transplants from a dead person to a living person must fulfill two additional criteria: First, the donor must give free and informed consent prior to death, or those who legitimately speak on the donor's behalf must do so at the time of death. And second, the donor must be dead before the tissue can be harvested—in other words, the donor must not be declared dead prematurely, nor may the donor's death be hastened just to use the organs. The Catechism adds, "Organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity."

The transplantation of organs from a living donor must fulfill two criteria: First, the removal of the organ must not seriously impair the donor's health or bodily function. Second, the donor must make an informed and free decision recognizing the potential risks involved.

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The Origins of Stewardship: In the first reading this Sunday we hear about our first parents, Adam and Eve. By reflecting on their lives we can learn a great deal about how we too are called to live. It says in Genesis that, “the Lord God formed man ... and put him in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it,” It is from this that the spirituality of stewardship finds its origins, all the way from the first book of the Bible. To be a steward is to gratefully acknowledge our lives and all we possess as gifts from God that should be used for the glory of Christ and the Church. We must maturely take care of them, not for selfish reasons, but out of love and generosity. This is exactly what God is asking of Adam in Genesis. God gives Adam the gift of Eden and the beauty of creation, yet, He doesn’t instruct him to use all these gifts for his mere enjoyment and pleasure. Instead, he is told to work at nurturing and fostering these gifts so as to allow them to increase. God tells him to till the land. So too as stewards, we need to till the lands of our time and talents. Let us strive to not passively use them for our own gain but work on using them for God’s will. God desires us to share our gifts for His glory, so let us reflect on how we can better offer ourselves for the good of God and the Church.

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Join the Fight Against COVID
Vaccines May be Our Most Powerful Defense

Volunteers and Lay Ministers at Parishes

Beginning on October 8, 2021, we will require that all volunteers, lectors, choir members, ushers, and individuals performing similar functions (collectively, “Volunteers and Lay Ministers”) attending the workplace be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

In order to be considered fully vaccinated, Volunteers and Lay Ministers will need to provide proof of vaccination as issued by the Ontario Ministry of Health (in hard or soft copy) to their volunteer leader, parish ministry leader, or pastor.

At his sole discretion, a pastor may allow Volunteers and Lay Ministers (save and except for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion) who have not provided proof of vaccination to provide proof of a recent negative COVID-19 as a condition of attending the workplace or place of worship as a Volunteer or Lay Minister. If applicable, these individuals must provide proof of a recent negative COVID-19 test result (in hard or soft copy) to the pastor. For the purposes of this Policy, a test result will be considered “recent” if the individual received the test result within the preceding seven days, or such other time period as we may require.

Rapid tests available through participating drug stores are acceptable. These tests are administered at the pharmacy with results available within 15 minutes. The volunteer or lay minister, as applicable, is responsible for the cost (about \$40/test).



LIFE CHAIN You are invited to be a part of an important pro-life witness on Sunday, October 3rd from 2pm to 3 pm at Kennedy and Lawrence intersection. At this location and hundreds of others across North America, we will form a “Life Chain,” bearing signs with messages like “Abortion kills children” and “Adoption, the loving option” and praying silently for the hour. Everyone is welcome to peacefully, publicly, and safely call upon our community to protect human life from conception to natural death. Simply show up and follow the directives of the local organizer, including relevant health measures. Let’s advocate for the innocent; as Christ Himself reminds us, “Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me” (Mt 25:40).