

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 7, 2021 – ORDINARY TIME 32ND SUNDAY

St. Lawrence, Pray for Us



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS.

We are happy you decided to worship with us today. Please introduce yourself to one of the priests following Mass in the Gathering Area in the back of the church. If you would like information about registering as a new parish member, please call 416-759-9359 for a registration form; or [click here](#).

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. **2022 envelopes will be available mid-Nov in the parish hall.**

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.

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 SCHOOLS):

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

PARISH SCHOOL:

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

HE SEES THE HEART

Mark 12:38-44

GOSPEL SUMMARY:

In today's Gospel, Jesus observes people putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums, but this was no sacrifice for them as they had great wealth. A poor widow, however, caught his attention because she put in what he knew to be all that she had. Her donation was but two small coins worth a few cents, but her generosity and sacrifice were well beyond what the wealthy had contributed.

REFLECTION FOR PARENTS:

It is important to set for your children an example of generosity and of responding to others in need. You do not have to look far to find opportunities to give what you have. A neighbor who is ill will appreciate a container of homemade soup or a get well card. A family member who lives alone will appreciate a visit or a phone call. The local homeless shelter will appreciate donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, warm socks, and soap. And the church is dependent on the financial generosity of her parishioners in order to support the many ministries of your parish. Include your children in these many opportunities to be generous givers.

BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:

As a family, look through your parish bulletin and/or the stack of donation requests you have recently received in the mail. Consider if there are any needs and requests that touch the hearts of your family members. Select one or more organizations or causes that you will support as a family. Talk about what each person is able to give up in order to contribute financially to the cause(s) you have chosen. If you are unable to contribute money, look for opportunities to which you can contribute time.

DISCUSSION STARTERS:

1. When I give up something I own, time, or money to help someone else in need, I feel . . .
2. A time someone gave what they had to help me was . . .
3. Sometimes I have to say "no" to helping others because .

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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 Matthews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Joey Bagnato, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Domingo Catolos, Marylou Gaerlan, Eileen and Mary Nicol, Betty Byrne.

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS: Parishioners may place names of deceased family on a piece of paper and place them in the purple boxes at the front of the church during the month of November.



PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS (for all our departed brothers and sisters)



Merciful Father, hear our prayer and console us. As we renew our faith in Your Son, whom You raised from the dead, strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in His resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

PRAYING FOR THE DEAD especially for those we have known, is a requirement of Christian charity. Our own prayers and sacrifices can be offered up to relieve their suffering. It is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform, to help them during their time in Purgatory, so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of heaven.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let No One Forget

REMEMBRANCE DAY Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This day is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6TH – SABATO

5:00 P.M. — + Mary Jardine

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7TH – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. — + Filomena & Valentine Fernandes

10:00 A.M. — L'Intenzioni di Vito e Elisabetta Barbieri

Susanna e Gianni Onisto - Filippo Lembo
Defunti famiglie Onisto, Lembo e Barrato
Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia - Mike e Vito Cuoppolo
Rocco e Giuseppina Burdo - Giuseppe Morra
Michelina Mosca - Luca Caccamo
Carmela e Euplio Raffaele
Vito Sciuto e defunti - Vito Baudo e defunti
Franco e Elisabetta Sinopoji e defunti
Vito De Nardo e defunti - Rosa Fulciniti
Antonino e Rosaria Lisciandro - Leonardo Gatt

Antonino Tuccitto e defunti - Vincenzo Pitino e defunti

11:30 A.M. — + Mary Estelle De Moura

1:00 P.M. — Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. — + Holy Souls In Purgatory

MONDAY NOVEMBER 8TH – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Dino Penfiel

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

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9TH – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Turido & Salvatrice La Rosa

11:00 A.M. — + Rita Lobo

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 10TH – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Harold Liao

11:00 A.M. — + Clara Demello

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11TH – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. — + Doreen Burlton

8:30 A.M. — + Angela & Giuseppe Morra

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12TH – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. — In thanksgiving Romy & Cora

7:00 P.M. — + Holy Souls In Purgatory

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 13TH – SABATO

8:30 A.M. — Orlando Gaerlan

10:00 A.M. — + Holy Souls In Purgatory

Dear Padre

My mother divorced, then remarried a non-Catholic. Her first marriage was never annulled. She says if she can't take Communion, there's no difference between watching Mass on TV and attending Mass in a church. I think there's a difference, and she should go to Mass in a church with other Catholics. Your thoughts ?



It's a good sign that your mother is watching Mass on television instead of skipping Mass altogether, but you're right.

Television Masses are a viable option for Catholics who are physically unable to attend Mass, but if your mother is physically able, it's a different matter. When it comes to worship, there's nothing like being there, and by attending the liturgy with other Catholics every week and on holy days, she'll fulfill her obligation by virtue of baptism in "fully conscious and active participation" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [Sacrosanctum Concilium], 14).

Keep encouraging your mom to attend weekly Mass in person and encourage her to contact her priest about starting annulment proceedings. If the annulment is granted and her current marriage is convalidated, she'll be able to receive the Eucharist.

Receiving Communion may be the privileged encounter with God, but Mass is primarily for worshiping and giving thanks to God. By returning to Mass with other Catholics now and eventually taking Communion, your mom's faith life clearly will be enriched.

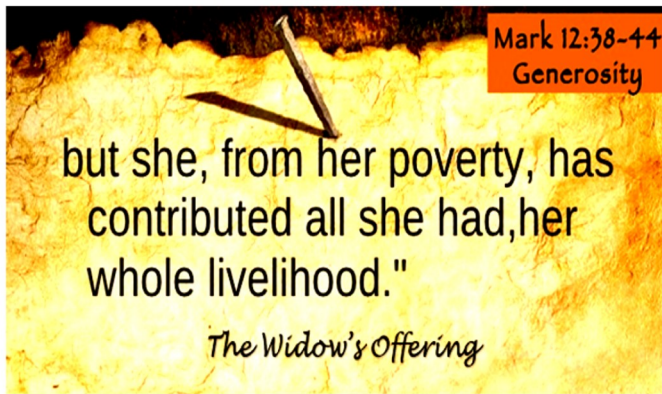
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VOCATION REFLECTION:

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto. Tel No. 416.968.0997 Email vocations@archtoronto.org Website <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>



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Offering our All: In the Gospel this Sunday we hear the account of the poor widow's treasury offering. Jesus observes many wealthy people put in large sums of money yet He only praises the lowly widow for her contribution of two small copper coins. He exclaims, "truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had." (Mark 12:43). We can learn a great lesson in stewardship through the example of this widow who symbolically offered her entire life through her small monetary offering. We too are called to give our entire lives to God. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us. Additionally, by giving everything she had, the widow is inherently saying "God I trust that you will take care of me." As stewards, do our sacrifices show that we trust God? To trust God means knowing that even though our time spent in the parish might mean we have less time for work or other commitments, that God will still bless us abundantly. Let us strive to give all we can and trust that God will take care of all our needs, for St. Paul says, "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Summary: We can learn a great lesson in stewardship from the widow who put in all she had, two small copper coins, into the treasury. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us.



OUR PARISH once again has subscribed to a website called www.formed.org, which is a digital gateway to some of the world's best Catholic content, teachers, and presenters. It is an excellent way to grow in your Catholic faith. The cost to renew the license each year is \$2000. Visit [FORMED](http://www.formed.org): Click "Sign Up"

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- Search "St. Lawrence Martyr Church 2210 Lawrence Ave E Toronto, ON"
- Please provide your first & last name, and your email address

Once you have signed up, you have access to the entire FORMED platform which contains so much great faith-based content.

Let's invoke our Parish Patron Saint everyday!



A PRAYER TO ST. LAWRENCE:
'HELP ME TREASURE THOSE WHOM OTHERS DISCARD'

Feast Day, August 10

Kind St. Lawrence,
You cared for the material goods of
the Church,
While showing great love for those
cast aside —

Those in poverty and those who were sick, suffering, or forgotten.

These, you reminded the world, are the true treasures of the Church.

Guide my thoughts and prayers and actions
So that I may treasure those whom others discard, and
be a servant to those in need.

Help me to see the dignity in every person I encounter:
to defend the defenseless,
give voice to the voiceless,
and seek justice for those treated unjustly.

Be with me as I seek to help the poor, and inflame my
heart with love for all God's children. Amen.

St. Lawrence pray to God for us.