

# ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH

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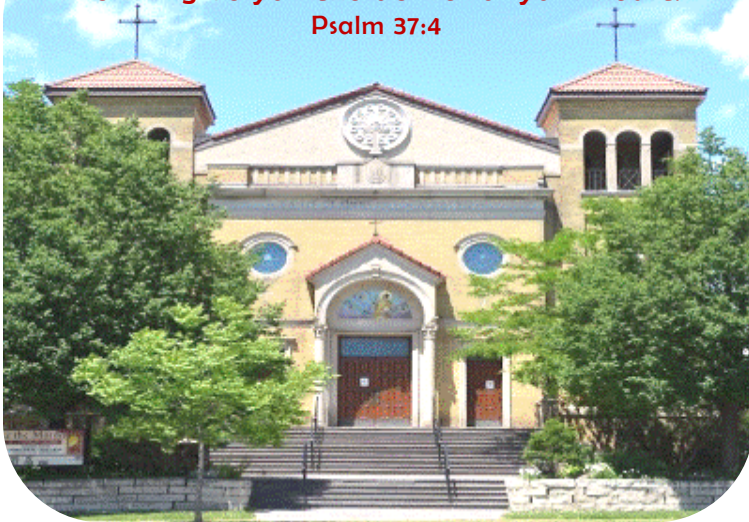
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Tel No. 416-759-9359

MAY 15, 2022 – 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Take delight in the Lord, and  
He will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalms 37:4



## 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.

**Please pick-up your 2022 envelopes at the back of the church.**

**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! GOD bless you for your support and generosity.*



## 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. Anish K. Antony CFIC, *Associate Pastor*

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

Mr. Daniel Lee, *Seminarian*

## 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

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## SATURDAY MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> – SABATO

5:00 P.M. — + Rita Cuni

## SUNDAY MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. — + Kuen Sin Lee

10:00 A.M. — Intenzionzi di Vito e Elisabetta Barbieri

Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia

Rosario Vella

Francesco Ferrante

Angelo Lamanna e defunti famiglia

Restituta Rea

Maria Piccolo

Salvatore Simone

Maria e Rosario Randazzo e defunti famiglia

11:30 A.M. — + Belen & Eugenio Solitario

1:00 P.M. — Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. — Maria D’Cruz

## MONDAY MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Christine Lang

11:00 A.M. — Fr. Russell Asch

## TUESDAY MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Remedios Dipasipul

11:00 A.M. — + Ossie Ameresekere

## WEDNESDAY MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. — + Jose & Avelina Tumaliuan

11:00 A.M. — + Anthony De Mello

## THURSDAY MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. — Lydia Dominguez

8:30 A.M. — + Pat Mancuso

## FRIDAY MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. — Vivienne Riseborough

7:00 P.M. — Fr. Russell Asch

## SATURDAY MAY 21<sup>ST</sup> – SABATO

8:30 A.M. — + Alberto Dizon David

10:00 A.M. — + Sydney, Irene & Anne de Souza

**Faith is to believe what you do not see; the  
reward of this faith is to see what you believe.**

— Saint Augustine —

*Dear Parishioners of St. Lawrence,*

I wanted to take this opportunity to send a note of thanks and appreciation to you as I move on to my next assignment in ministry, which in my case, will be a sabbatical before being assigned to another parish.

Suppose I could write a letter filled with the words “thank you” repeatedly. In that case, I would never be able to write enough of them to truly express how I feel about the time I spent here serving as your Pastor.

I wish to thank the pastoral staff, including the many dedicated priests I have worked with in the past eleven years, the very devoted and supportive lay staff, the many dedicated volunteers who loved the Church and the parishioners of St. Lawrence Martyr Parish.

It has been an absolute joy as we have broken bread together, both in the material and spiritual sense. Also, we have known great victories, and yes, even a few heartaches along the way, but those times have simply helped to magnify the joyful times so much more!

Rest assured, you will be in my thoughts and prayers as I move on from here.

Our lives find completion and satisfaction when we are in the center of the will of God, which is where I want to be. I know you are desirous of that too.

Keep loving and serving people, and you will be amazed at how God will produce abundant “spiritual fruit” at St. Lawrence Martyr Church in the months and years ahead under your new Pastor, Fr. Thomas Lim. There are so many “out there” who are still waiting to hear the message of the Gospel. As you know, this message is one we not only share verbally, but our very lives should reflect the love of God for others.

The words of Philemon come to mind as I prepare to leave, “Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God, making mention of you always in my prayers, hearing of your love and faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints, that the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.”

*Kindly remember me in your prayers. In Christ,*

*Father Roy Farrell*



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## Dear Padre



**My aunt tells her husband he shouldn't watch a certain TV show. She says it's an "occasion of sin." What is that?**

Occasions of sin are people, places, or situations that can easily lead a person to sin or give the individual an opportunity to commit a sin. There are two types: remote and proximate (or "near").

If the attraction is not strong or has only a small probability of leading to sin, the occasion is remote. Remote occasions of sin are always around us, and we have no obligation to try to avoid them.

If the attraction is powerful or the probability of its leading to sin is great, the occasion is called proximate. Saint Alphonsus suggested that if a person sins four out of ten times in a particular situation, that situation should be regarded as a proximate occasion of sin.

Proximate or near occasions of sin are further classified as necessary or voluntary. A necessary proximate occasion cannot be avoided or can be avoided only with great difficulty—for example, an occasion associated with doing one's job or being in prison.

A voluntary proximate occasion is freely and voluntarily entered. We must avoid voluntary proximate occasions of grave sin. Among the many means at our disposal for avoiding occasions of sin, the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist have pride of place. Prayer and self-discipline also help.

*Fr. David Louch, CSSR [Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org) @ 2022  
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### **VOCATION REFLECTION:**

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



**"We do not want a church that will move with the world. We want a Church that will move the world." — G.K. Chesterton**

**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.**

*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 — Francisco William, Stephanie Solomon, Antonio Sorbera, Bill

Mattews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Domingo Catolos, Eileen and Mary Nicol, Betty Byrne, Verna Quinn, Alex and Denise Amizola.



**SHARELIFE:** Cardinal Collins is asking each of us to contribute what we can. He says: "Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability." . We have raised \$14,613 toward our goal of \$33,000. The final ShareLife Sunday collection is June 5. Thank you for living the Gospel!

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## **GOSPEL SUMMARY:**

While Jesus was with his disciples at the Last Supper, he pointed toward his future glory following his death and resurrection where he would be reunited with his Father in heaven. He also gave the disciples a command: to love one another. But the disciples didn't have to figure out how to do this on their own. Jesus told them to love one another in the same way he had loved them.

## **REFLECTION FOR FAMILIES:**

Jesus wanted the disciples to love one another and all followers with a binding love. It is this same kind of love that binds families together. When other people turn their backs and walk away, it is symbolic of Jesus' love that families are bound by a love incomparable anywhere else in our own experience. We fail at times, but rarely in any other setting do we see anything close to the unconditional love God has for us, as we see in the love parents show their children.

## **BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:**

Find someone in your neighborhood, school, place of work, or within your family who sometimes feels left out. Reach out to that person with the kind of love Jesus describes in this Gospel. Make them feel welcome and know they are a child of God. Perhaps you will send them a greeting card, say a special prayer for them, visit them, or invite them to your home. When your action is complete, share with one another where you saw Jesus in the experience you had with the person.

## **DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

1. There is someone I've been wanting to love as Jesus loves me. To show him/her, this week I will . . .
2. What I think Jesus is really asking of me in this Gospel is .
3. The greatest witness I ever saw to Jesus' love was when .

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## **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION**

*St. Therese's School of Love* In the Gospel this Sunday Jesus gives us the new commandment to love one another just as He loves us. Jesus goes on to say that "everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." As stewards we must always seek to love others and in doing so, point them to Christ. Let us take some time to reflect on the words of a great saint of love, St. Therese of Lisieux. St. Therese, a doctor of the Church, famously promoted her "little way." She didn't believe she was strong enough to perform great acts of charity or mortification. Instead, she sought to offer up small acts of kindness as her gifts to Christ and the Church. She tells us to "miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love." Love isn't reserved solely for grand gestures but can also be displayed through small charitable acts. Moreover, St. Therese says that "without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing." We must always infuse our stewardship with great love otherwise it may turn into simple volunteerism. Let us seek ways to offer up our time and talent to our parish communities, regardless of how small they may seem to be. St. Therese reassures us that "Our Lord does not so much look at the greatness of our actions, or even at their difficulty, as at the love with which we do them." Let us strive to fully give of ourselves and remember St. Therese's teaching that "When one loves, one does not calculate." *Summary* Jesus says in the Gospel that "everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." As stewards we should always strive to love others, but we should remember that love isn't reserved solely for grand gestures but can also be displayed through small charitable acts. St. Therese of Lisieux tell us to "miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."

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