

St. Lawrence Martyr Church

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Rev. Fr. Giuseppe Scollo

In Residence

Julia Di Paolo - **Secretary**

PARISH OFFICE AND HOURS:

Mon to Thurs: 9:15 AM — 12:00 PM
1:00 PM — 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:15 AM — 2:00 PM

Sunday: 9:15 AM — 1:00 PM

Closed on Saturday and Holidays

DEVOTIONS:

Holy Rosary: before 8:30am Mass

Divine Mercy: Friday after 8:30am Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday

Novena to Our Lady of Miraculous Medal:

Every Monday, October - May

Novena to St. Anthony de Padua:

13 Tuesdays (March - June 13)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Mon - Thurs: 9am-12pm (Church)

Every Friday: 9am - 7pm (Church)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

For assistance call 416-410-3589

PARISH SCHOOL:

St. Lawrence Catholic School 416-393-5264

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: 12:00 pm 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

(or by appointment)

BAPTISM:

Visit our website or call the Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Pastor ONE YEAR in advance. Marriage Preparation Course is required. Visit our website for more information.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK:

Visitation and/or Holy Communion for the sick upon request.

A warm Welcome to New Parishioners!

Please fill out a parish registration form found in the foyer of the Church, and kindly introduce yourself to the Pastor.

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD)

~ JANUARY 26, 2025 ~

Luke 1:1-4:
4:14-21



“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled.”

Today's gospel passage starts the series of readings from Luke which will continue throughout the ordinary Sundays of the Year. It is composed of two separate passages: first it gives Luke's introduction to his gospel, in which he explains how and why he wrote it. Then, jumping over the preparatory stories of Jesus' infancy, baptism and testing in the desert, it comes directly to his programmatic manifesto in the synagogue at Nazareth. The gospel is offered to Theophilus – a Greek name, 'Lover of God' – and is written for gentile communities. So Luke stresses that Jesus' message is not just for Jews but for the peoples of the whole world. Twice in this short passage which gives Jesus' programme Luke stresses that Jesus is moved by the Spirit of the Lord. As we saw in the second reading, the Spirit was palpably at work in the early Christian communities. This was no more than a continuation of the Spirit's activity from the very beginning of the Christian movement. In Luke's stories of the annunciation, birth and infancy of Jesus the presence of the Spirit is constantly noted. In the earliest stories of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles the same guidance directs every move. .

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Con la Lettera apostolica in forma di Motu proprio "Aperuit illis", Papa Francesco ha stabilito che "la III Domenica del Tempo ordinario sia dedicata alla celebrazione, riflessione e divulgazione della Parola di Dio".

La liturgia è intelligente. Al resoconto del discorso di Gesù alla gente del suo paese di Nazaret, antepone il prologo del Vangelo.

L'evangelista Luca intende essere uno storico perché vuole che i cristiani si rendano conto "della solidità degli insegnamenti" ricevuti e siano convinti dell'importanza decisiva per la storia di tutti gli uomini della vita di Gesù. Per questo soltanto lui pone all'inizio della narrazione del ministero pubblico di Gesù un discorso programmatico che precisi subito lo scopo che Gesù si prefigge.

È il "manifesto" di Gesù. Eccolo: egli opera con la potenza di Dio, difatti lo Spirito è su di lui.

La sua non sarà un'opera umana, meno che mai politica, ma la rivelazione del progetto di Dio. La sua missione è quella di accogliere misericordiosamente tutti gli uomini per liberarli. È il compimento della profezia di Isaia che Gesù si appropria. A Nazaret, quel sabato, Gesù annunciò il tempo nuovo che non avrebbe più avuto per protagonista l'uomo, ma "Dio fatto uomo".

La gente della sinagoga una cosa udì allora con chiarezza: l'inizio di "un anno della grazia del Signore".

In sostanza il Vangelo dice: non sono gli ordinamenti umani a salvare l'umanità, sarà lo Spirito del Signore. In questa affermazione c'è, se si vuole, tanto pessimismo, purtroppo fin troppo documentato dalla storia; ma c'è anche, e più grande, tanta speranza, perché ci assicura che lo Spirito è su Gesù e, perciò, su tutti quelli che fanno comunione con Gesù.

E questo riguarda l'oggi: "Oggi si è adempiuta questa Scrittura che voi ascoltate". L'oggi storico di Gesù diventa, per la forza dello Spirito, l'oggi liturgico della Chiesa, il nostro di ogni Messa.

La predica di Nazaret diventa oggi storia nostra. Se ascoltiamo!



Eucharistic Adoration

Mon - Thur 9am - 12pm (Church)*

Every Friday 9am - 7pm (Church)*

*In Chapel, when there is a funeral.

Come and spend some quiet time in prayer!



**Mass Intentions
for the week**



SATURDAY JANUARY 25TH - SABATO

5:00 P.M. + Flor & Delfin Santiago

SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH - DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. - For All Our Parishioners

10:00 A.M. (Italian)

Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia

Marino D'Attolico - Luigi Rea

Luigi e Assunta Palleschi

Vito e Mike Cuoppolo

Luigi e Maria D'Addario - Rocco e Giuseppina

Burdo Giuseppe Morra - Michelina Mosca

Costanza Morra - Luca Caccamo

Carmela e Euplio Raffaele

Giuseppe Canini e famiglia

Totonno e Rosaria Francella

11:30 A.M. + Pat Mancuso

1:00 P.M. - Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. - Rita & Lancey D'Cunha

MONDAY JANUARY 27TH - LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. + Raoul Yumul

12:00 P.M. + Andrew Bernard Avery

TUESDAY JANUARY 28TH - MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. + Anna Menna

12:00 P.M. - Cedric De Souza

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29TH - MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. - Savio Lobo

+ Francesco Gonzales

+ Millicent Plummer

12:00 P.M. - Fr. Daniel Adexi

THURSDAY JANUARY 30TH - GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. - Special Intentions

8:30 A.M. + Pedro Abas

FRIDAY JANUARY 31ST - VENERDI

8:30 A.M. + Maria Rosa & S De Carvalho

7:00 P.M. - Special Inention

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1ST - SABATO

8:30 A.M. + Beatriz Perez-Gorobia

10:00 A.M. - Cedric De Souza & Family



OFFERTORY LAST WEEK



Regular: \$5,7,32.15

Bell Tower Envelopes: 2,322.00

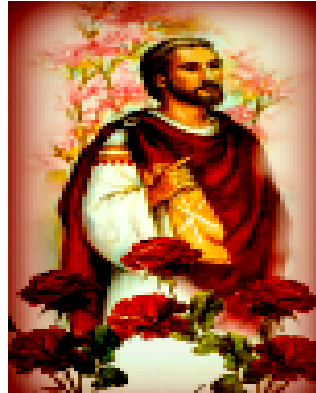
**"Waste yourself:
Give yourself to others."**

Venerable Fulton Sheen

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD)

~JANUARY 26, 2025~

Join us for a
**St. Valentine's Day
Family Dance Party**



February 14th, 7 PM
St Lawrence Martyr Parish Hall

Tickets: Adult \$50
Children 12 & below \$25

Dinner, Dance, Activities, Prizes
& so much more!

Dress:
Semi-formal modest
pink, red, white

Tickets on Sale:
Weekends before & after all Masses
Weekdays at the parish office
Cash and Credit card accepted



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~JANUARY 26, 2025~

Festival of Faith for Christian Unity 2025: Reflection and Prayer, A Journey Through the Nicene Creed



Christians from various traditions in the Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate the unity that we share in Jesus Christ throughout 2025 in the Greater Toronto Area and commemorate the 1,700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.

All are cordially welcomed to join the neighbourhood events, for details, please see the main poster: <https://bit.ly/FOF2025>.

Contact ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527.

Commemoration of International Holocaust Remembrance Day Monday, Jan. 27 - 6 p.m. Danforth Multifaith Commons, 310 Danforth Ave., Toronto



A vigil on the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz, paying tribute to both survivors and liberators. We recommit ourselves to a culture of encounter, 'living in an open and neighbourly spirit, sharing our joys and sorrows, our human problems and preoccupations' (Dialogue and Proclamation, #42). This city-wide event is part of The Dialogue of Life "In Our Time," a commemoration marking the 60th anniversary of the Vatican Declaration on Interreligious Dialogue Nostra Aetate.

Dear Padre

January 26, 2025

At Mass, I see people on their cell phones, and I'm really distracted and irritated. Isn't this wrong?

Would it help if you thought of good reasons for someone to use a cell phone at Mass? Cell phones are the new pagers. People whose work requires them to be on call, those who care for an elder, or parents of teenagers, for example, may need to check their phones. Many people use their phones to follow along with the readings on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website—usccb.org. It's easier for some to enlarge and read the print on a phone instead of following along in a missal. And, while this is relatively new, many hearing aids can be controlled by cell phone apps, so a person might use his or her phone to make adjustments to hear better. Perhaps if you imagine one of these reasons, your irritation will lessen, and you won't be so distracted.

Now, a word to those who are using a cell phone at Mass. If you are scrolling, checking your email or social media, think about giving yourself one hour when you will turn off your phone and put it aside. This is very difficult for some, and not just for young people. Checking one's phone is habitual—some might say addictive. Surely you deserve an hour when you are not tethered to your phone. A cell phone is a marvelous tool. Just make sure that it is the tool, and you are the master—not the other way around. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org



2025 JUBILEE YEAR
ITALY PILGRIMAGE

With our Pastor
Father Thomas Lim
September 27 to
October 10, 2025

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FATHER
YOU CALLED

SAINT LAWRENCE
TO SERVE YOU BY LOVE
AND CROWNED HIS LIFE
WITH GLORIOUS
MARTYRDOM.

HELP US TO BE LIKE HIM
IN LOVING YOU
AND DOING YOUR WORK.

AMEN

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

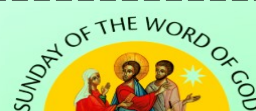
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3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 1" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



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The S.L.M. Craft Group, thanks all who generously donated New Men's Socks, for The Good Shepherd Refuge Center. Your generosity has helped 264 people with warm socks this Winter. Thank you very much.



I Hope in Your Word

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER FOR THE SICK:

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the forgotten members in our community.

*"Make sickness itself a
Prayer"*

~ St. Francis de Sales ~

