

# St. Lawrence Martyr Church

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## PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Fr. Thomas Lim, *Pastor*

Rev. Fr. Russell Asch

*Chaplain to the Faithful participating in  
the Extraordinary Rite of the Latin Mass*

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.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

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

## COMMUNION OF THE SICK:

Holy Communion for the sick upon request.

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES

**Sharing Our Faith, Understanding Your Loss.** At a time of sorrow, it helps to turn to those whose very essence is about the promise of everlasting life. This is why we are there for every Catholic family assuring the sacred rites of a Christian funeral are faithfully fulfilled.

If a death has occurred and you need immediate assistance, please call 905-889-7467 (Holy Cross).

To learn about pre-planning, obituaries and more, please visit our website [Catholic-Cemeteries.ca](http://Catholic-Cemeteries.ca).

*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.*

## **REGNUM CHRISTI DAILY MEDITATIONS**

*John 4:5-42*

**Opening Prayer:** Heavenly Father, I come to the well to drink of your living water, so that I may not thirst for the things of this world but for your will only. Hydrate my soul with your grace, the source of life that fulfills all other desires.

### **Encountering Christ:**

1. **Living Water:** How is it that when we drink of the Lord's living water we no longer thirst? To thirst is human nature. To thirst means we have human needs that require quenching. In our spiritual reality, however, the more we drink of the Lord's living water—in prayer, in the Mass, before the Eucharist in Adoration, marveling at his creation in our loved ones and in nature—the more our desire for the Lord increases while the desire for worldly things decreases. Only the Lord's living water—pure grace—can make that transformation in our soul.
2. **Leave the Water Jar:** A water jar is a heavy vessel and, when filled with water, it is that much more difficult to carry. Reflecting on this can help us to realize that some of the very things we depend on daily, even those that are deemed “good for us” may actually be burdens too heavy to carry. When we feel overwhelmed by our “to dos” or even by the ordinary responsibilities of our vocation in life, we need the grace to see what's weighing us down and have the courage to leave those water jars behind as we fall into the Lord's capable arms.
3. **Reaping and Sowing:** Like a vain and prideful child we sometimes want to lay claim to our work and shout, “Look at me! Come see what I did!” But the Lord shows us that it is not we who work, but he who works through us. Each one of us is merely a link in a chain of souls who reap and sow for the Kingdom. In the words of St. Frances de Sales, Lord, help us to “be who we are and be that well so that we may give glory to the master craftsman whose handiwork we are.”

**Conversing with Christ:** Lord Jesus, giver of life-giving water, help me to drink from your well. Each day, I want to attach more to you and heavenly things, and detach from the material world and its short-lived joys.

**Resolution:** Lord, today by your grace I will check my attitude about the burdens in my life by taking ten minutes to examine the “burden behind the burden,” as Fr. Mike Schmitz identifies it.

Published by Regnum Christi. For more resources for spiritual growth visit [www.regnumchristi.com](http://www.regnumchristi.com).

If you would like daily meditations for lent check out <https://www.regnumchristi.com/en/lent-2026-archive/>

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2026



*Come and spend some  
quiet time in prayer*

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MON - THUR 9AM - 12PM (CHURCH)\*  
EVERY FRIDAY 9AM - 7PM (CHURCH)\*  
\*IN CHAPEL, WHEN THERE IS A FUNERAL.

*The water that I shall give will become a spring of eternal life.*

JN 4: 5 - 42



What was the Samaritan woman looking for in those six men? Pope Benedict XVI wrote that “she thirsts for life itself and that all the assuaging that she seeks and finds cannot slake this living, elemental thirst.... There comes to light the real dilemma, the deep-seated waywardness, of her existence: she is brought face to face with herself.” What brings this about is an encounter with Jesus. From our own deep thirst for love, for salvation, for meaning, we give ourselves to the One who in his thirst asks us for a drink, just as he will thirst—thirst for our souls—from the cross. We firmly hope that at last we will “have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” Our “hope does not disappoint.” The Lord is in our midst. Finally satisfaction can happen; this is the Love we have been waiting for.<sup>1</sup>

La conversazione di Gesù con la Samaritana si svolge sul tema dell’“acqua viva”. Quest’acqua è indispensabile alla vita, e non è sorprendente che, nelle regioni del Medio Oriente dove regna la siccità, essa sia semplicemente il simbolo della vita e, anche, della salvezza dell’uomo in un senso più generale. Questa vita, questa salvezza, si possono ricevere solo aprendosi per accogliere il dono di Dio. È questa la convinzione dell’antico Israele come della giovane comunità cristiana. E l’autore dei Salmi parla così al suo Dio: “È in te la sorgente della vita” (Sal 036,10). Ecco la sua professione di fede: “Come la cerva anela ai corsi d’acqua, così l’anima mia anela a te, o Dio” (Sal 042,2). La salvezza che Dio porta viene espressa con l’immagine della sorgente che zampilla sotto l’entrata del tempio e diventa un grande fiume che trasforma in giardino il deserto della Giudea e fa del mar Morto un mare pieno di vita (Ez 47,1-12). Gesù vuole offrire a noi uomini questa salvezza e questa vita. Per calmare definitivamente la nostra sete di vita e di salvezza. “Io, sono venuto perché abbiano la vita e l’abbiano in abbondanza” (Gv 10,10).<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Magnificat - March 2026 Edition | <sup>2</sup> <https://www.lachiesa.it/>

## 2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES PICK-UP!

**Parishioners please pick up your 2026**

**Offertory Envelopes at the Entrance of the Church.**

If you don’t have offertory envelopes and would like a box, please complete the [registration form](#) found on the parish website or at the back of the Church and return in the Sunday Collection.



*Mass Intentions  
for the week*



### SATURDAY MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> – SABATO

5:00 P.M. For All Our Parishioners

### SUNDAY MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. Erika Bagasan

10:00 A.M. Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia  
Dino Barbieri - Carlevaris e Nevodini  
Vito e Mike Cuoppolo - Franca Trentadue  
Giovanna Costantino e famiglia  
Giuseppe Canini e famiglia - Rosario Vella  
Marco, Edda e defunti famiglie  
L’Anime del Purgatorio

11:30 A.M.+ Flor & Delfin Santiago

1:00 P.M. Pro Popolo

5:00 P.M.+ Ida, Roland & Baldwin D’Souza

### MONDAY MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup> – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. Cheng Jie Yin

12:00 P.M.+ Carmen Campos De Valle

### TUESDAY MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup> – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. The Ricci Children

12:00 P.M. Katharin Pytel

### WEDNESDAY MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. For the Ricci Family

Carlo Laplana

Intentions For Blessing received

+ Justo Ponce

12:00 P.M. Mark & Margaret Toliagil

### THURSDAY MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> – GIOVED

7:00 A.M. Barbara Dobrodziej

8:30 A.M.+ Michele & Annamaria Longo

### FRIDAY MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup> – VENERDI

8:30 A.M.+ Daniel Noranho

7:00 P.M.+ Sydney De Souza

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

8:30 A.M. Arthur Hare

10:00 A.M.+ Joe, Clara & Anthony De Mello

### OFFERTORY LAST WEEK

Regular: \$ 6,079.15

Building: \$ 4,118.85



Today’s Second Collection:  
Climate Control Fund

*Thank  
you*

## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

FAITH FORMATION SERIES <b>IT IS ALL ABOUT</b> <h1 style="color: red;">JESUS</h1>	
<b>SPEAKERS &amp; TOPICS</b>	
<b>MAR 12, 2026</b> <b>FR. TOMASZ SKIBINSKI</b>	<i>EXODUS, THE PRIMORDIAL EXPERIENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM</i>
<b>MAR 26, 2026</b> <b>FR. HANSOO PARK</b>	<i>JESUS, THE FACE OF THE FATHER'S MERCY</i>
<b>APR 16, 2026</b> <b>FR. ANTONELLA MURGIA</b>	<i>WHY IS EASTER THE CENTRE OF OUR FAITH</i>
<b>APR 30, 2026</b> <b>DEACON DOUG MCMANAMAN</b>	<i>DIFFICULT TOPICS AROUND CATHOLIC SEXUAL ETHICS</i>



**Grades 6–8. Edge Nights**  
 Every other Friday from 6:30-8:00 PM

**2026 Schedule:**  
 Jan 30 | Feb 27 | Mar 13 | Mar 27  
 Apr 10 | Apr 24 | May 22 | Jun 12

For registration forms see our parish website or email us at [stlawrenceedge@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrenceedge@gmail.com)

**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 ~



LENTEN

## DAY OF CONFESSIONS

MARCH 22-28, 2026



**@ St. Lawrence Confessions are available:**  
 Saturdays following the 8:30 am Mass  
 Saturdays 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

**Additional Confession Times:**  
 Friday's of Lent - 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM  
 Friday March 27th - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM | 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM



**You can help men answer God's call to priesthood by supporting**

God planted the seed of a priestly vocation in Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi's heart as a child. He later entered St. Augustine's Seminary, where God led him through moments of joy, deep reflection, and a faith that continues to grow. His path has been one of both grace and challenge, yet he has walked forward without fear—because of you.

Your generous heart lifted the burden of financial worry, allowing Rev. Mr. Moonjun Alphonse Choi to embrace his calling fully and prepare for a life of service to the Church. God-willing, he will be ordained into priesthood this May. Because of your faithful generosity to ShareLife, many more young men will have the opportunity to answer God's call.

**The first ShareLife Sunday collection is on March 22. Our parish goal this year is \$37,000.** Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

SACRED JOURNEY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



**HOLY MARY**

Oratorio on the life of The Virgin Mary through the mysteries of the Rosary

**SATURDAY | MAY 23, 2026 | 7:30 PM**



[stlawrencemartyr.archtoronto.org/holymary](http://stlawrencemartyr.archtoronto.org/holymary)  
 If you wish to honour your family or a loved one, ad spaces are available in the event programme.  
 Email [slmparishfund2024@gmail.com](mailto:slmparishfund2024@gmail.com)




**Coins for life 2026 boxes. Please bring back coin boxes weekends of March 8th and 15th.**

Please place them in the collection or give them to the ushers.

**Vocation Reflection...** “But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty.” Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, [Director of Vocations](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org), Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)