

St. Lawrence Martyr Church

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PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Fr. Thomas Lim, *Pastor*

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*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.

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.

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

Our Suffering and Christ's Compassion

Happiness and suffering are inseparable. Some fear to make such an affirmation, because the world would look upon them as fools. How can we say that happiness and suffering are inseparable? Is it not just the other way around?

It is not I who say this, but Jesus in the Beatitudes. Open the Gospel to the Sermon on the Mount. What does he tell us? "Blessed are those who weep; blessed are the poor; blessed are those who suffer." There, then, is the affirmation that true happiness and suffering are inseparable. The wisdom we receive straight from the Divine Master is regarded as foolishness. The wisdom of the world is exactly opposed to the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus says, "Blessed are the pure"; the world says, "Blessed are they who indulge in loose living." Jesus says, "Blessed are those who weep"; the world says, "Blessed are those who laugh and amuse themselves." Jesus says, "Blessed are the meek, the merciful"; the world says, "Blessed are those who impose themselves on others and dominate them." Jesus says, "Blessed are the poor"; the world says, "Blessed are the rich." Jesus says, "Blessed are those who suffer"; the world says, "Blessed are those who enjoy themselves."

We must not be afraid to say what Jesus said and to affirm it after him.... The only truly happy people are those who have chosen Jesus and his cross on earth. They are the thieves of happiness, because they are already happy a hundredfold here below, and what shall this be for all eternity! To think of heaven is not egotism; it is to plunge ourselves, with delight, into the infinite justice and love of God.

In spite of that, remember that Jesus is filled with compassion for those who suffer. He has borne all our sufferings. He has endured them himself at Gethsemane and on Calvary, but he knows that they are necessary to us, so "he sends them to us as if with an averted gaze," says little Thérèse, as if he did not have the courage to watch us suffer. But he sees at the same time the happiness it will merit for us, the glory it acquires for his Father, for him, for us, and the graces it merits for souls; so in love, in mercy, in tenderness, he hesitates no longer to lay it upon our poor shoulders, while continuing to sustain it himself, making himself our Simon of Cyrene.

Father Jean du Cœur de Jésus d'Elbée

Father d'Elbée († 1982) was a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 22ND, 2026



EXCITING NEWS

Parish Office Now Open
on Sundays 9:00 AM— 1:00 PM



*Come and spend some
quiet time in prayer*

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

LENTEN

DAY OF CONFESSIONS



Saturdays following the 8:30 am Mass

Saturdays 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

Additional Confession Times:

Fridays in Lent - 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM |

Friday March 27th - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM | 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM



Mass Intentions
for the week



SATURDAY MARCH 21ST - SABATO

5:00 P.M.+ Peter & Jean Lockyer

SUNDAY MARCH 22ND - DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. Chloe Noranho

10:00 A.M.

In Ringraziamento a San Giuseppe
Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia - Tony Lamanna
Antonio Savella - Vito e Mike Cuoppolo
Luigi e Maria D'Addario - Mario Massari
Leonello Pecorari - Michelina Ciccone
Totonno e Rosaria Francella
Rocco e Giuseppina Burdo - Angelo Burdo
Giuseppe Morra - Michelina Mosca
Costanza Morra - Carmela e Euplio Raffele
Maria Romagnuolo - Luca Caccamo
Rocco e Saveria Mastrangelo e famiglia
Lorenzo e Giovanna Romagnuolo e famiglia

11:30 A.M. For All Our Parishioners

1:00 P.M. Pro Popolo

5:00 P.M. Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY MARCH 23RD - LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. Wren Bagasan

12:00 P.M. Colette De Ruiter

TUESDAY MARCH 24TH - MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. Rolando Santiago

12:00 P.M. Holy Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY MARCH 25TH - MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. For All Our Parishioners

12:00 P.M. Pro Popolo

THURSDAY MARCH 26TH - GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. Richard Neilson

8:30 A.M.+ Poe Soesaty

FRIDAY MARCH 27TH - VENERDI

8:30 A.M.+ Jose & Petra Cruz

7:00 P.M. Joramel & Ledi Ludovica

SATURDAY MARCH 28TH - SABATO

8:30 A.M. Fortunato Penecilla

10:00 A.M. Kevin Navarro



JOIN US
FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY AT 6PM
FOLLOWED BY
7PM LATIN MASS

I am the resurrection and the life.

JN 11: 1 - 45

From time immemorial God has promised, "O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them. Then you shall know that I am the Lord." But this will not happen before Jesus weeps. He weeps in front of discouragement: "You want to go back there?" He weeps in front of bitterness: "Could he not have done something?" He weeps in front of despair: "Lord, by now there will be a stench." This is the best moment for God to raise Lazarus from his grave, for then the event will teach us just how far we must go in trusting the power of Jesus' love for us. If you are "dead because of sin, the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you."¹



Il racconto della risurrezione di Lazzaro è una delle "storie di segni" che racconta san Giovanni. Si tratta qui di presentare Gesù, vincitore della morte. Il racconto culmina nella frase di Gesù su se stesso: "Io sono la risurrezione e la vita. Chi crede in me non morrà in eterno" (vv. 25-26).

Che Dio abbia il potere di vincere la morte, è già la convinzione dei racconti tardivi dell'Antico Testamento. La visione che ha Ezechiele della risurrezione delle ossa secche - immagine del ristabilimento di Israele dopo la catastrofe dell'esilio babilonese - presuppone questa fede (Ez 37,1-14). Nella sua "Apocalisse", Isaia si aspetta che Dio sopprima la morte per sempre, che asciughi le lacrime su tutti i volti (Is 25,8). E, per concludere, il libro di Daniele prevede che i morti si risvegliano - alcuni per la vita eterna, altri per l'orrore eterno (Dn 12,2). Ma il nostro Vangelo va oltre questa speranza futura, perché vede già date in Gesù "la risurrezione e la vita" che sono così attuali. Colui che crede in Gesù ha già una parte di questi doni della fine dei tempi. Egli possiede una "vita senza fine" che la morte fisica non può distruggere. In Gesù, rivelazione di Dio, la salvezza è presente, e colui che è associato a lui non può più essere consegnato alle potenze della morte.²

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

Vocation Reflection...The "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, [Director of Vocations](#), Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

OFFERTORY LAST WEEK

Regular: \$ 5,337.90

Easter Flowers: \$ 2,450.75



Today's Second Collection:
ShareLife



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 22ND, 2026

FAITH FORMATION SERIES
**IT IS ALL ABOUT
JESUS**

SPEAKERS & TOPICS

MAR 26, 2026 FR. HANSOO PARK	<i>JESUS, THE FACE OF THE FATHER'S MERCY</i>
APR 16, 2026 FR. ANTONELLA MURGIA	<i>WHY IS EASTER THE CENTRE OF OUR FAITH</i>
APR 30, 2026 DEACON DOUG MCMANAMAN	<i>DIFFICULT TOPICS AROUND CATHOLIC SEXUAL ETHICS</i>

EASTER FLOWERS

Help decorate our Church for Easter.
Sponsor a Lily or Hydrangea in memory
of a loved one or in thanksgiving.



Lilies	6"	\$10
Lilies	8"	\$20
Lilies	10"	\$30
Hydrangeas	6"	\$20
Hydrangeas	10"	\$30

To sponsor an Easter flower visit or Call the parish office.



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





Today is ShareLife Sunday. Special collections will be taking place this weekend on March 22. 2026 marks 50 years since Archbishop Philip Pocock made a bold and passionate decision that would shape our community for generations: the founding of ShareLife. Building on a legacy of charitable giving in the Archdiocese of Toronto that stretches back to 1927, Archbishop Pocock launched ShareLife in 1976—an appeal rooted in the belief that every life matters, at every stage.

Today, his vision lives on through more than 40 ShareLife-funded agencies providing unconditional care to people in need—regardless of religion, background, or circumstance and through people like you who make their work happen.

Our parish goal this year is \$37,000. Please give at the parish by using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

SHARELIFE SUNDAY COLLECTIONS
March 22 / April 26 / May 31

Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218
Write your Member of Parliament Today!
Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca

You're invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.

Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.



Coins for life 2026 boxes are still available on the back counters.

PICK UP YOURS TODAY!

Please bring back coin boxes weekends of March 22nd and 29th and give the boxes to the ushers.

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 ~





SACRED JOURNEY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Romulo Delgado's

HOLY MARY

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

SATURDAY | MAY 23, 2026 | 7:30 PM

If you wish to honour your family or a loved one, ad spaces are available in the event programme.
Email slmparishfund2024@gmail.com



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