

St. Lawrence Martyr Church

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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)

5:00 pm (English)

DAILY MASSES:

English: 8:30 am Monday to 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:

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.

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JUNE 14TH, 2026

Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends in Christ, the following reflection comes from Eghosa, a young adult whom I confirmed during this year's Easter Vigil ceremony. In his reflection titled, "My Journey Through Confirmation Classes," Eghosa wrote: "When I first began my confirmation classes, I came with a sense of excitement and curiosity. From the very first day, I felt a deep joy learning about the relationship that the sacrament of Confirmation creates between us and God through the Holy Spirit. It helped me understand that faith is not only something we inherit, but something we must actively nurture through prayer, reflection, and by living according to God's word.

One of the earliest lessons that stayed with me was learning about the consequences of sin - how it leads to death, separation from God, and the struggles we experience through concupiscence, suffering, and passion. Yet within that understanding came hope: that through Christ and the sacraments, we are continually invited back into communion with God. This realization has helped me better understand the path of righteousness and the grace that God constantly offers to us.

Learning about the sacraments gave me a clearer picture of the Catholic life journey. The sacraments of initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist - invite us into the life of Christ. The sacraments of healing - Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick - remind us that God's mercy is always available. And the sacraments of service - Marriage and Holy Orders - show us how we are called to serve God and one another in different ways. I was particularly fascinated when we learned about the "matter and form" of the sacraments: the physical signs God uses, and the sacred words and actions performed by the Church. It reminded me that God meets us not only spiritually but also through tangible signs that we can see and experience. The lessons about marriage were also meaningful to me. Learning that marriage requires openness to life, fidelity, and permanence helped me see the beauty of a God-centered family. It strengthened my hope of one day building a loving family rooted in faith and devotion to God.

Another powerful realization came when I learned about Baptism leaving an indelible mark on our souls. Though I was baptized over thirty-three years ago and received my First Holy Communion only about twenty-five years ago, life circumstances delayed my confirmation. Now I understand that this journey is unfolding at the right time in my life. At this stage, I am able to appreciate the meaning of Confirmation far more deeply than I might have when I was younger.

Our classes have also deepened my understanding of the Eucharist as the source and summit of our spiritual life—the real presence and sacrifice of Christ that we receive in Holy Communion. Learning about the structure and liturgy of the Mass has transformed the way I experience it. What once felt routine now feels sacred and intentional. One moment that truly touched me was when Father Thomas Lim reminded us to pray for a holy death - the grace to receive the sacrament of reconciliation before we leave this world. That thought stayed with me, reminding me that our entire life is a journey toward God, and that His mercy accompanies us from beginning to end.

Studying the genealogy of Christ - from Noah to Abraham, Isaac, Moses, and David - also helped me see how God's plan unfolds through generations. Jesus Christ did not come by accident; His coming was divine providence, part of God's loving plan for humanity. As the classes continue, learning about confession, forgiveness, and the sacred seal of reconciliation has strengthened my understanding of God's mercy. It has encouraged me to seek forgiveness and reconciliation, knowing that God's love is always greater than our sins.

Looking back, I realize that these classes have been more than lessons - they have been a spiritual awakening. They have deepened my understanding of the Catholic Church, its traditions, its teachings, and the beautiful mystery of our faith. Each time I attend class, I leave with a renewed sense of joy and purpose. I feel grateful for the knowledge I am gaining and the opportunity to grow closer to God through the Holy Spirit. As I approach my confirmation at the end of Easter, I carry with me a deeper appreciation of my faith and a sincere desire to walk in God's light, seek His direction in all that I do, and live a life that reflects His love.

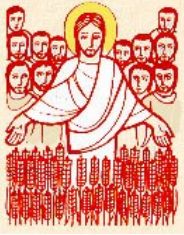
Confirmation, for me, is not simply the completion of a sacrament - it is the strengthening of my commitment to live fully with God, through Christ, and in the guidance of the Holy Spirit."

Pax Christi, *Fr. Thomas*

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You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.

MT 9: 36 - 10:8



The Lord says to Moses: “You have seen how I brought you here to myself.” Today, “at the sight of the crowds, Jesus’ heart was moved with pity for them.” The Lord was moved with pity because he wanted each person in that crowd to respond to his love. So Jesus summons the Twelve to be the laborers for the harvest. They are to proclaim: “The kingdom of heaven is at hand.” Speaking on behalf of the Lord, their words mean, “You shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people.” Or, as Saint Paul expresses it after the Resurrection, “God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.”¹

Cristo comincia la sua azione apostolica raccogliendo attorno a sé dei discepoli, che diventeranno i diffusori del suo insegnamento. Gesù, davanti all’enormità del compito e l’esiguo numero di coloro che sono chiamati a svolgerlo, si impietosisce delle folle che sono “come pecore senza pastore” e dona poteri ai suoi apostoli e li manda per il mondo. Il motivo principale della riunione e della successiva dispersione degli apostoli è il grande amore di Dio per l’uomo. Lo scopo del ministero apostolico è il regno di Dio: “Predicate che il regno dei cieli è vicino”. Al momento dell’Ascensione, Cristo dirà agli apostoli: “Andate dunque e ammaestrate tutte le nazioni” (Mt 28,19). Tutti i popoli devono essere ammaestrati per poter accedere al regno di Dio, che è il bene più grande. È così che Cristo propone la redenzione universale. Ognuno di noi, sacerdote, religioso, religiosa o laico, è chiamato e mandato da Dio. Può dunque essere apostolo e far conoscere nel mondo d’oggi, per mezzo della sua vita, la verità di Cristo. Lavorare per Cristo e con Cristo è un grande privilegio e, insieme, un dovere. “Cristiano, non dimenticare la grande dignità di cui sei stato rivestito!”, diceva san Leone Magno. Prendendo coscienza di questa verità, ci uniremo ai dodici apostoli per annunciare: “È vicino a voi il regno di Dio” (Lc 10,9).²

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



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.**

PARISH OFFICE OPEN ON SUNDAYS - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM



Mass Intentions for the week



SATURDAY JUNE 13TH - SABATO

5:00 P.M.+ Paul, Maria & Terrance Dalgado

SUNDAY JUNE 14TH - DOMENICA

8:30 A.M.+ Lee Fung Lien

10:00 A.M. Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia

Rosario Vella

Vito e Mike Cuoppolo

Luigi Cuoppolo – Antonio Ciciretto

Giovanna Costantino e famiglia

Fedele Colangelo

Luigi Lamana

Giuseppe Canini e famiglia

Marco, Edda e defunti famiglie

Carlevaris e Nevodii

L’Anime del Purgatorio

11:30 A.M. For All Our Parishioners

5:00 P.M. Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY JUNE 15TH - LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. Bridgie Williamson

TUESDAY JUNE 16TH - MARTEDI

8:30 A.M.+ Siegfred Bayucot

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17TH - MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. Peter Riseborough

THURSDAY JUNE 18TH - GIOVEDI

8:30 A.M. Avelina Benedicto

FRIDAY JUNE 19TH - VENERDI

8:30 A.M.+ Alfredo Bahingawan

SATURDAY JUNE 20TH - SABATO

8:30 A.M.+ Paul Pogue

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS!



This Week Second Collection:
Marygrove Camp
Next Week Second Collection:
Climate Control Fund



2026 SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Summer camps are being offered for children at 59 parishes inside the Archdiocese of Toronto this summer, with over 86 weeks of dates and locations to choose from. Parents who may be interested in having their kids attend a parish day camp can access the complete list of parishes, locations and dates here: ocytoronto.org/parish-camps and are encouraged to contact the parish of interest directly to register or get more information.

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happy
Father's
Day



ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH
SACRED JOURNEY CAMPAIGN

Hawaiian
SUMMER
Party

SATURDAY | JUNE 20, 2026
11:30 AM – 4 PM
PARISH PARKING LOT

TICKETS:
ADULTS \$20
CHILDREN \$10

BEEF AND VEGGIE BURGERS, SAUSAGES,
CORN, DRINKS AND ICE CREAM

<https://stlawrencemartyr.archtoronto.org/SummerBBQ2026>

COME JOIN US FOR
FUN, GAMES, PRIZES & MORE



**YOUR GIFT TO SHARELIFE
ENCOURAGES INCLUSION AND
BELONGING**

For John, life raising two Deaf sons has been filled with love—but also deep fears. He’s watched them struggle in a world that often overlooks and isolates them. With your gift to ShareLife, families like his have found hope and belonging through life-changing support in a welcoming American Sign Language environment—something still out of reach for too many others.

Silent Voice Canada, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife, facilitates connection and provides family-based resources that combat isolation, remove barriers, enhance skills, and encourage inclusion and belonging. Your generous heart helped shape the future for John and his sons—giving them courage, a sense of belonging, and the opportunity to embrace all that life has to offer. You can continue to uplift Deaf children and their parents, providing them with the confidence to see themselves as capable, strong, and full of potential.

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

BUNDLE UP FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL!

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with others on

JUNE 13 - 14 2026

A Saint Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot all day Saturday until and all day Sunday . Volunteers will assist with the loading before and after each Saturday and Sunday Mass.



We DO NOT ACCEPT
appliances, baby or regular furniture,
books, mattresses, dishes,
construction material or video tapes
For more information visit
www.ssvptoronto.ca



Vocation Reflection... “The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.” If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call Fr. Matt McCarthy, [Director of Vocations](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org), Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

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