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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:

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.



Message for the Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care

24-25 October 2026

**His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On the occasion of our annual *Archdiocesan Day for Palliative Care*, it is significant that this observance falls on the last Sunday of October, just prior to the Great Solemnity of All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), when we remember the Church's beautiful proclamation that "with death, life is changed not ended" (*Roman Missal*, Preface I For the Dead). This proximity is fitting, because palliative care is ultimately about life not death, transition not termination.

I would suggest that palliative care represents one of the most humane developments in modern healthcare. At its heart, it seeks to improve quality of life by addressing the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs of individuals living with serious illness—needs that the Gospel has always insisted belong together (cf. CCC 362-365). While often associated with the final stages of life, palliative care can be offered earlier as well, helping people live as fully and meaningfully as possible throughout the course of an illness. It focuses not simply on illness, but on the whole person, including their transcendent and spiritual dimensions.

Furthermore, the importance of palliative care extends far beyond hospitals and hospices. It reminds society, our contemporaries, that healthcare is not only about curing disease but about honouring the dignity of every person created by God in his image and likeness and saved by Christ. By helping persons manage symptoms, maintain independence, and participate in family and community life, palliative care enables people to continue pursuing what gives their lives purpose and joy and provide the space for God's grace to intervene. By encouraging meaningful conversations and fostering a culture of attentiveness to one another's needs, families often discover new opportunities for gratitude, reconciliation, and mutual support as they navigate the challenges of illness together.

At a time when many people are concerned about suffering, loss of independence, and difficult end-of-life decisions, palliative care offers a positive and compassionate path forward. Rather than focusing solely on the limitations imposed by illness, it seeks to maximize comfort—neither hastening death nor prolonging dying—and help individuals live each day as a gift from our loving God, as fully as possible, so that they can face serious illness with confidence, peace, and hope, not to mention openness to supernatural faith and the reality of eternity on the other side of the death experience.

As faithful in the Archdiocese of Toronto, we proclaim our conviction that every human life possesses an enduring dignity that neither illness, frailty, nor age can diminish (cf. CCC 2276). By placing human dignity, personal well-being, and meaningful relationships at the centre of healthcare, palliative care helps build communities marked by hope, solidarity, and genuine care for one another. Please join me in praying for all those touched by palliative care—recipients, families, friends, medical personnel, Christian communities and those who shape law and policy—that we may together be witnesses to Christ's redeeming love, life-giving care, and limitless compassion (cf. Mt 25:36). In doing so, we will renew our communities with a faith filled and supernatural vision that builds up and never tears down.

General Resources

- [Palliative Care and a Catholic Response to Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide](#)
- [Archdiocese of Toronto – Palliative Care \(End-of-Life Care\) \(archtoronto.org\)](#)
- ['HopeLine': Call 416-619-5700 for Palliative Care Support](#)
- [End of Life Decision-Making and Advance Care Planning by Moira McQueen, LLB, MDiv, PhD](#). This article includes six questions and answers.
- [Living Suffering and Dying \(chac.ca\)](#), Catholic Organization for Life and Family

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 25TH, 2026

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself.

MT: 22 : 34 - 40



Reflect today on the inseparable bond between love of God and love of neighbor, and the eternal nature of these commandments. Does your life bear witness to these two great commands? Does your daily prayer arise from and lead to this twofold love? Hallow God's name not only with your lips, but also with your heart, soul, and mind. Allow that love to overflow to all people—especially those hardest to love—so that you show them the dignity and charity due to your neighbor, in anticipation of expressing that love forever in Heaven.

Lord of Heaven and earth, I thank You for Your holy commandments. I pray that I may live each one with full fidelity. Help me to hallow Your name in all things, to seek Your Kingdom above all, and to love all people with the love You have for them. May I see these commands, not as a burden, but the joy and direction of my life. Jesus, I trust in You.¹

I farisei vivevano per meditare la legge, per capirla, per interpretarla. Alcuni sono riusciti a capire Gesù Cristo che ha detto a uno di loro che non era lontano dal regno dei cieli (Mc 12,34). E un altro fariseo, Paolo di Tarso, riuscì ad essere l'apostolo dei gentili. Ma tanti tra di loro, al contrario, rifiutavano il giovane Rabbi di Nazaret, e lo hanno messo a morte sulla croce... Interpretando la legge, i farisei ottenevano una casistica minuziosa che rendeva il giogo della legge insopportabile. Ed è per questo che non potevano capire Gesù che, secondo loro, infrangeva il riposo del sabato guarendo i malati il sabato, e anche dicendo che il Figlio dell'uomo era padrone del sabato e che questo giorno, così importante, era stato fatto per l'uomo, e non il contrario... (Mt 12,8; Mc 2,27).

Gesù disfa il repertorio molto complicato dei precetti, e lo riassume nell'amore di Dio e del prossimo sopra tutto. Egli considera che questo è il primo comandamento, da cui tutti gli altri derivano... Di fronte a queste parole non possiamo fare altro che rivedere la nostra condotta, riconoscere i nostri errori e proporci in modo concreto di vivere per amore, di morire per amore.²

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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.**



Mass Intentions for the week



SATURDAY OCTOBER 24TH - SABATO

5:00 P.M. + Anna Jakubat

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH - DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. The Noranho Family

10:00 A.M. In Ringraziamento a San Vito Martire
Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia
Vito e Mike Cuoppolo
Leonello Pecorari
Luigi e Maria D'Addario
Totonno e Rosaria Francella
Francesca Bondi

11:30 A.M. For All Our Parishioners

5:00 P.M. Holy Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY OCTOBER 26TH - LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. The Friedman Family

TUESDAY OCTOBER 27TH - MARTEDI

**8:30 A.M. + Janina Kosecka &
+ Joanna Wisniowska**

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28TH - MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. Lancy D'Cunha | Daniel & Mariko Coelho

THURSDAY OCTOBER 29TH - GIOVEDI

8:30 A.M. + Stanka & Frank Kosik

FRIDAY OCTOBER 30TH - VENERDI

8:30 A.M. + Aurora Vergara

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31ST - SABATO

8:30 A.M. Candida Lobo

OFFERTORY LAST WEEK

Regular: \$ 5,706.85

World Mission Sunday : \$ 2,291.55



This Week Second Collection:

Climate Control Fund

Next Week Second Collection:

Building Fund



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 ~*



*During the Month of November
The Book of Remembrance
will be available.*

**Election Day
October 26**



**Don't
Forget!**

Time Change

Fall Back is Next weekend

Change your clock on

Saturday October 31st back 1 hr

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 25TH, 2026



Parents please make sure you have received your child's registration submission. If you have not please check your email spam or junk folder. If you need additional information please contact slmsacraments@gmail.com. All emails concerning your child's sacrament preparation will come from this email.



FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Registration OPEN for children in Grade 2 or older

Parents **MUST** register online, bring all the requirements and attend **ONE** of the registration dates in the Parish Hall:

Wednesday, November 5, 2026,
from 7:00 PM to 7:45 PM

Saturday, November 7, 2026,
from 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM

[Registration forms are only online on our website.](#)

CONFIRMATION

Registration OPEN for children in Grade 7 or older



Parents **MUST** register online, bring all the requirements and attend **ONE** of the registration dates in the Parish Hall:

Wednesday, November 12, 2026,
from 7:00 PM to 7:45 PM

Saturday, November 14, 2026,
from 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM

[Registration forms are only online on our website.](#)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) / Adult Confirmation



We are now accepting registrations for the 2026-2027 RCIA Program. Please visit our [website](#) for information and to download the [RCIA Initial application form](#)

SLMC CRAFT GROUP

Warm Hearts Warm Feet



Help our homeless at Good Shepherd Refuge stay warm this winter.

Now accepting **NEW** men's socks.
Please place them in the box at the entrance of the Church.

2026 Sock Collection: October 17th - Nov 22nd 2026

37TH ANNUAL
Ordinandi Dinner
March 9, 2027 | Doors Open 5 PM
Pearson Convention Center
2638 Steeles Ave. East, Brampton

Reserve Your Seats
staugustines.ca/events



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ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind." Live in that love in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life.

Contact Fr. David Twaddle,
[Director of Vocations](#),
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-261-7207 ext. 801.
Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Venerable Servants of God Pedro de Corpa and Companions



Cardinal Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, will represent the Holy Father as the Papal Legate (official representative of Pope Leo XIV) at the upcoming beatification celebration of the Georgia Martyrs, Friar Pedro de Corpa and his four Companions. The liturgical celebration will take place on October 31, 2026 in Savannah, Georgia, USA.

"The beatification of Friar Pedro de Corpa and his Companions is a powerful reminder that the Gospel of Christ has taken root in every land through the faithful witness of those willing to give everything for the Lord Jesus, including their very life. In the communion of saints, their courage and charity continue to inspire the Church to proclaim the Good News with fidelity and constancy. I am humbled and honoured to represent His Holiness Pope Leo XIV as his legate and to join the pastors and all faithful in this momentous celebration of faith, indeed a profound moment of prayer and thanksgiving for the life, witnessing and intercession of Venerable Pedro de Corpa and his Companions."

SEE YOU AT

Registration ends November 4

RENEW TORONTO
NOVEMBER 20-21, 2026

Experience keynote sessions, workshops, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, community, praise and worship and more!
Learn more and register at renewtoronto.org

Weekend Lineup

- JJ Niekro (Keynote speaker)
- Fr. James Cyfko (Host & Lead Priest)
- Livelihood Canada (Worship Team)
- Ramuel Villardo (Workshop Speaker)
- Fr. Paul Magyar (Workshop Speaker)
- Fr. Kevin Belgrave (Panel Speaker)
- Fr. Eric Rodrigues (Panel Speaker)
- Mercy Caddac (Workshop Speaker)
- Bart Demczuk (Workshop Speaker)
- Sr. Marie Veritas, SV (Workshop Speaker)
- Peter & Stacey Leitmann (Workshop Speakers)
- Anna Boyagoda (Workshop Speaker)