Have you ever considered how you can use your unique talents to serve Him and our fellow parishioners?

COME & JOIN US



# St. Lawrence Martyr Parish Hall | October 11 & 12 | After all Masses

## **PARISH LIFE & SERVICE**

## **Parish Events Ministry**

Help plan and execute receptions, functions & special events throught the year. Time commitment is flexible.

## **Craft Group**

Share your skills and learn new ones. All items are sold - knit, crocheted or crafterd - and 100% of proceeds go to the Church Fund. Knitted toques & mittens are donated to Good Shepherd Refuge, St. Vincent de Paul & Rosalie Hall. Adults 21 & over are invited to participate.

#### **Youth Ministry**

The EDGE Youth Group is designed to meet the needs of students in grades 6, 7, and 8. The group meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays from October to June. Adult volunteers assist to run the program. Training is provided.

#### **SLM Young Adults**

A faith community for people in their late teens to their thirties, offering a supportive environment to grow their relationship with Jesus Christ, find community, and explore their faith in a materialistic world.

### **Knights of Columbus**

A Catholic men's organization dedicated to the service of the parish community. Members support and lead family activities, social events, charitable initiatives, and fundraising efforts throughout the year. Men aged 18 and older are welcome to join.

#### **Church Linen Ministry**

This dedicated group helps care for and maintain the sacred linens and altar cloths used during liturgies.

#### **Finance Council**

The Council collaborates with the Pastor to provide guidance on the financial matters of the parish. Members are selected based on their experience in finance, property management, law, or personnel administration. This is an invitation-based ministry. If you have relevant expertise and are interested in serving, please contact the parish office.

## **Volunteer Screening**

Committee members assist the Pastor in screening volunteers who serve in high-risk ministries, following the policies and procedures of the Archdiocese of Toronto and the Ontario government. Training is provided.

#### **Collection Counter**

Working in teams of four, collection counters assist with the accurate counting of weekly and special parish collections, Volunteers must demonstrate confidentiality and discretion.

#### **Gardening Group - NEW**

We invite all with a green thumb - or simply a love for nature - to join us in helping beautify our church grounds. Your time and care will bring life and colour to our parish home. Come share your gifts and help make our outdoor spaces welcoming for all.

### Liturgical Environment & Decor Team

Use your artistic and creative gifts to help enhance and maintain the beauty of our parish's sacred spaces through floral arrangements and seasonal decorations.

"The fruit of silence is prayer, the fruit of prayer is faith, the fruit of faith is love, the fruit of love is service." - St, Theresa of Culcutta



#### **WORSHIP & LITURGICAL**

## **Music Ministry**

Singing and music profoundly adds to the liturgical celebration. While musical experience is helpful, it is not necessary. If you are interested in sharing your talents, pleae approach the choir director of the group you wish to join. Choir: 11:30 am English Mass.

#### **Altar Servers**

Altar servers assist the priest in the celebration of the Mass. Young people grade 3 and up are welcome to serve in this ministry. Training is provided under the supervision of the Pastor and senior servers.

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Eucharistic ministers assist the priest in serving Holy Communion during Mass. This ministry is open to adults who are practicing Catholics. Training is provided. Volunteers must be 18 year of age and older.

#### **Lectors/Commentators**

Lectors serve the church community by proclaiming Scripture and reading the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass and other liturgical celebrations. If you are a practicing Catholigh who has received Confirmation and feel comfortable reading in front of others, it can be a meaningful way for you to take part in parish life. Training is provided.

#### Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)

Men and women in this ministry help create a warn and welcoming environment by greeting parishioners, assisting with seating and collection of offertory and distribution of bulletins. Open to all parishioners, beginning with students in Grade 9. Training is provided.



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## WITNESS & OUTREACH

## **Funeral Mass Ministry**

Adult servers assist the priest at Funeral Masses for the deceased members of our parish. It is an ideal ministry for those who have free time during weekday mornings. Training is provided.

#### **Ministers of Care**

Communion to the Sick/Homebound ministers vist and bring the Eucharist weekly to those who are sick/homebound. Transportation is a necessity. Training is provided. Special dispensation of ministry to family members.

## The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)

Members of SSVP strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ by offering person-to-person services to families and individuals in need. They issue food vouchers, sort and distribute canned goods and other non-perishables. Activities in support of SSVP include: food & clothing drives and poor box collections.

## SPIRITUAL LIFE & FORMATION

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Eucharistic Adoration takes place Monday - Thrusday from 9am - 12PM and Fridays from 9am - 7pm in the Church. Come and spend time in prayer and adoration before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

## **Legion of Mary**

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolate association of Catholics who serve the church through prayer and spiritual works in union with the Virgin Mary. Our association meets in the chapel on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for prayer and discussion. All are invited to join.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is a program in the church for adults who wish to become Catholic. Team volunteers share their faith and lives with those who are seeking to become Catholic. Training is provided.

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

Volunteer catechists provide instructions for children within our parish community who are preparing for the Sacraments. Training is provided.

**First Communion** catechists welcome and lead children in grade 2 and older in presentation and discussions about the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. The program consists of ten classes that run on Saturday mornings from January to April.