

Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D. Timothy Dunlop P.D.

MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon Saturday 10:00 am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am 11:30 am

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

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MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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Tues-Fri. 9:30 am -4:00pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

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PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary Juanita Wootton-Radko

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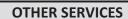
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Tuesday Jan.30th

12:05pm +Alfred Sare

Requested by Joe & Elizabeth Attard

Wednesday Jan 31st

Saint John Bosco, Priest

12:05pm +Danilo Bautista

Requested by The Montemeyor family

Thursday Feb. 1st

12:05 pm + Joe Diduch
Requested by Carol Diduch and family

Friday Feb. 2nd

The Presentation of the Lord

11 am – Holy Hour 12:05 pm + Malachy & Clare Maquire Requested by Dolores & Charles Maquire

Saturday, Feb. 3rd

Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, Saint Ansgar, Bishop, BVM

10:00 am + Jacky & Ethel Small Requested by Dolores & Charles Maquire

<u>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

Saturday Feb. 3rd

5 pm + Perpetua Graham Requested by Charles & Dolores Maquire

Sunday Feb 4th

9am Mass for the People

11:30 am Special Intentions for Peter Lacroix Requested by Claude & Lorraine Moreau and family

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February

For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

The One Who Loves Us Sets Us Free

The Gospel on this Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mark 1: 21-28) speaks of our Lord towards the beginning of his public ministry. The reading highlights two realities in our spiritual life: the centrality of Jesus as Lord and the manner in which the evil one deals with us. These realities speak of our spiritual dynamics in dealing with the evil one.

Jesus the miracle-worker heals a man possessed by an evil spirit in the sight of all gathered in the synagogue. He drives away the evil spirit and restores the man to health.

Several times, in our lives we are "possessed" by many things: without knowing it, we have been subtly enslaved by our senses, by our craving for material things, by our desire for power and influence. Like the man possessed by an unclean spirit in the Gospel reading, we have been "possessed" by the wrong things: we are in a state far from our original standing as sons and daughters of God, dwelling places of the Holy Spirit. It is in this context that Jesus frees us from such possession: He exorcises the evil in us so that only what is Godly remains. We ask ourselves, at this point in our lives, what has subtly (and perhaps unknowingly) enslaved and possessed us? What holds us captive, and not free? And we ask Jesus to deliver us from these things.

The second point is on the spiritual dynamics between us and the evil one. In his Spiritual Exercises, St. Ignatius of Loyola reminds us that the evil one deals with us in various ways: at times like a military general and tactician, at other times like a deceiving false lover, at other times like a spoiled brat: in whichever way he wishes to hold us captive and under his power.

The demon in the possessed man challenges Jesus and tries to dissuade Him from His ministry. But Jesus asserts His authority.

Many times, in our lives the devil would want to stifle and control us. St. Ignatius reminds us to show force and power against the evil one, the force and power that comes from the grace of the Risen Christ. We pray that we not only be freed from the subtle and tempting clutches of the devil, but also that the devil not stifle and threaten us. Let us live in boldness in dealing with the devil, since the powerful Lord, who authoritatively vanquished the evil one, is on our side.

Grace and Peace,

Father R C R A

Marriage Sunday Mass

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

<u>Passion of Jesus Christ -Adult Faith</u> Formation Series

Sat. March 2-9 10:45 am – 11:45 am Go deeper in your faith this Lenten season with Fr. Wayne Bolton's in-depth speaking series illustrating the Passion narratives of the gospels.

Celtic Spirituality

Sat. March 16 10:45 am – 11:45 am Fr. Wayne Bolton covers monasteries, missionaries and the sacred spaces of the Emerald Isle.

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KOC Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Feb. 11, 2023, at 9 & 11:30 am

The Knights of Columbus Laurier Council 2004 are
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Mass. Everyone welcome!

Free-will offering

Winter Safety Alert!

As we experience the colder weather, we remind parishioners to be aware of their surroundings and possible falling ice. Please do not park near the building.



Please remember the following people in your prayers: Mark Charlebois, Michael Pontze, Frank Whitkins, Dottie Whitkens, Vincentia Bee, Bob Dorion, Carol Quesnelle, Barrett Smith, Alex Latondress, Malachy Maguire; Nick Tardif, Lynda Stanek; Lloyd Leroux; Mary Fletcher; Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; Marshal Laurin, John Gunther, and Marilyn Dalton

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: John Jerome, Gail Bakker



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