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Office Hours: Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Everyone is encouraged to be active in the spiritual & social functions of our church community by participating in parish life as an official member. Please fill out a registration form by contacting the parish office at 416-749-0328 Mondays to Friday from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.



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Preziosissimo Sangue - Gruppo di Preghiera Italiano di S. Rocco

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Parish Schools

St. Roch's School 416-393-5320

Venerable John Merlini School 416-393-5397

Saturday Mass: 5:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday Masses: In English – 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
In Swahili – Every Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Confessions: 4:00-5:00 p.m. – Every Saturday.

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month.

Baptism Classes: 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Parents and Godparents are most welcomed.

Marriages: By appointment, one year in advance.

Weekday Masses: Morning: English: 8:00 a.m. Mon, Wed & Friday
(9:00 a.m. on Saturday)
Italian: 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday

Memorial Masses: Monday - Wednesday at 7 p.m. (By request)

Sick Calls: At anytime. Day or Night.

Catholic Women's League: Meetings are the 2nd Tuesdays
of every month at 7:00 p.m., (September-June)

Knights Of Columbus: Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of
the month at 7:00 pm (September - June)

Messe Domenicali: in Italiano – 10:30 a.m.

Confessioni: 4:00-5:00 p.m. – Ogni Sabato.

Battesimi: Ogni Prima e Terza domenica.

Matrimoni: Con appuntamento, un anno in anticipo.

Messe Feriali: Mattina: Inglese: 8:00 a.m. Lunedì, Mercoledì
e Venerdì (9:00 a.m. Sabato)
Italiano: 8:00 a.m. Martedì e Giovedì

Messe Memoriale: Lunedì-Mercoledì alle 7:00 p.m. (a richiesta)

Chiamate Per Ammalati: Qualunque tempo

La Lega Delle Donne Cattoliche: Ogni 2do martedì
del mese alle ore 7:00 p.m. (Settembre a Giugno)

I Cavalieri Di Colombo: Ogni 3ro mercoledì del mese alle
ore 7:00 pm (Settembre a Giugno)

Gruppo Di Preghiera: in italiano - Ogni Lunedì,
Santa Messa ore 7:00 p.m. - Rosario ore 7:30 p.m.
Preghiera nello Spirito ore 8:00 p.m. Riunione nella Sala
Parrocchiale



Sunday, February 2, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord

"The Lord of hosts, he is king of glory!"

Psalm 24

Mass for Intentions Week

Monday, February 3, 2025

8:00 am Raffaella, Rosina & Raffaele Castiglia

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

8:00 am Vito & Rosa Lamberti

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

8:00 am Jai Persaud (living)

Thursday, February 6, 2025

8:00 am Intenzione del sacerdote

First Friday, February 7, 2025

8:00 am Special intentions of Celi Family in thanksgiving

7:00 pm For vocations

Followed by 1 hour adoration

Saturday, February 8, 2025

9:00 am Intention of the presider

Note: At this Mass, we will offer Anointing of the Sick

5:00 pm John Gilmurray

Sunday, February 9, 2025

9:00 am Pro Popolo

10:30 am Vito & Vincenzo Lollino

Tomasso Malfara

Ilvia Prete e defunti

Antonio Vescio e defunti

12:00 pm Manuel, Simon & Judith Zapata

SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, January 26.....\$ 3,507.05

Chancery loan (balance owing)..... \$118,910.00

Thank you for your continued support !

✚REST IN PEACE✚

Remember in your prayers, **Cynthia Jn Baptiste** who passed away recently. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

RITE OF ENROLLMENT FOR OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS



At the 9:00 am Mass this Sunday, the students registered in our confirmation program will be officially enrolled as they begin classes starting next Sunday. We ask the parish community to pray for these children as they begin preparations to receive this important sacrament.

Domenica, 2 Febbraio, 2025

Presentazione del Signore

"Vieni, Signore, nel tuo tempo santo."

Salmo 23



In questo giorno si celebra la festa delle luci: Gesu' e' offerto al tempio, come ogni primogenito; egli sara' particolarmente dedicato e consacrato a Dio. La sua presentazione soddisfa l'attesa dei giusti dell'Antico Testamento significati da Simeone e Anna. Cristo viene incontro al suo popolo, che l'aspetta nella fede. Gesu' e' la fedelta' di Dio, il compimento della speranza, la luce che ormai riverbera e si fa guida a tutti i popoli



LUNEDI, 3 FEBBRAIO FESTA DI S. BIAGIO

In questo giorno, alla nostra Messa delle 8:00 di mattina, celebreremo la Messa con una benedizione generale della gola.



MARTEDI, 12 FEBBRAIO È LA GIORNATA MONDIALE DEL MALATO

In osservanza di questa giornata, **sabato 8 febbraio alle ore 9 di mattina celebreremo la Messa** nella quale provvederemo all'unzione degli infermi.



PRANZO "FAMILY DAY" Domenica 16 febbraio alle 13:30 Sala Parrocchiale di San Rocco

Ospitato dai Cavalieri di Colombo. Pasto completo. **Prezzo per i biglietti: \$55.00 per gli adulti e \$20.00 per i bambini di età pari o inferiore a 12 anni.** Per biglietti, puoi contattare: John Colonna al 416-859-7738 oppure Aldo Reginato al 416-743-1109.



APERTURA DELL'ANNO CELEBRANDO LA BEATIFICAZIONE DEL BEATO GIOVANNI MERLINI

Mentre continuiamo a celebrare la beatificazione del Beato Giovanni Merlini, ci sarà una Messa speciale, con la sua reliquia, **sabato 15 febbraio 2025 alle 16:30 presso la Chiesa di San Carlo Borromeo** (Dufferin/Lawrence). Incoraggiamo i parrocchiani a partecipare a questa messa speciale mentre onoriamo la sua beatificazione. La reliquia alla fine arriverà alla chiesa di San Rocco. Maggiori dettagli seguiranno.



PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2 marks the feast day of The Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as **Candlemas Day**, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in the liturgy.

Also on this day, St. John Paul II established the **World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life** in 1997 to be celebrated in conjunction with the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which highlights the fact that Christ is the light of the world through the symbolic lighting of candles. *"Similarly, consecrated men and women are called to spread the light and love of Jesus Christ through their unique witness of selfless service, such as caring for the poor, the contemplative work of prayer, or through their professional careers."*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 - FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



On this day, at our 8:00 am Mass, we will celebrate mass with a general blessing of the throats.

OPENING THE YEAR CELEBRATING THE BEATIFICATION OF BLESSED GIOVANNI MERLINI



As we continue to celebrate the beatification of Blessed Giovanni Merlini, there will be a special Mass, with his relic, on **Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 4:30 pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church (Dufferin/Lawrence)**. We encourage parishioners to attend this special mass as we honour his beatification. The relic will eventually makes it way to St. Roch Church. More details to follow as it becomes available.

FAMILY DAY LUNCHEON Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Sunday, February 16 at 1:30 pm St. Roch Parish Hall



Full course meal includes Antipasto, Salad, Pasta-cheese tortellini with red sauce, chicken and veal with vegetables followed by dessert. Wine and water included with the meal.

Tickets are \$55.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children aged 12 and under. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact:

John Colonna 416-859-7738
Aldo Reginato 416-743-1109

EVENING MASS FOLLOWED BY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



On Friday, February 7, we will have an evening Mass at 7:00 pm for the First Friday of the month. The mass will be offered for Vocations. After Mass, we will expose the Blessed Sacrament for one hour followed by benediction. Please join us.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK Tuesday, February 11



Tuesday, February 11 is World Day of the Sick, an observation started by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses.

The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes. People around the world take the time to pray for the sick and for those who work very hard to alleviate the sufferings of the sick on this day. We invite parishioners to pray for members of your families, neighbours and friends and for all who are sick on this day. In observance of this day, we will have a **Mass on Saturday, February 8 at 9 am** where we will provide anointing of the sick.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2025 CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH BISHOP IVAN CAMILLERI



As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th & 60th + wedding anniversaries in 2025. **The Mass will take place at 2:30 pm on Sunday, February 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.** All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend.

REGIONAL MASSES IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR



In commemoration of the opening of the 2025 Jubilee Year, the **second** Regional Mass is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Etobicoke** and will be celebrated by Bishop Ivan Camilleri, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto for the Western Pastoral Region. Confessions will be available prior to each of these Masses from 5:30 pm - 6:45 pm.

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