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Mrs. Julie Swinimer - Parish Secretary

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.



Ministry Contacts

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St. Roch's Church 416-749-0328

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416-749-0328

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437-455-7787

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, March 9, 2025

1ST Sunday of Lent

"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble"

Psalm 91

Mass for Intentions Week

Monday, March 10, 2025

8:00 am Irene & Olivo Campeotto
7:00 pm Severino "Sam" Cianni (1 month memorial)

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

8:00 am Angelo Carestia e defunti
7:00 pm CWL Mass

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

8:00 am Francesco Cutrona
7:00 pm Licia Durzo (memorial)

Thursday, March 13, 2025

8:00 am Intenzione del sacerdote

Friday, March 14, 2025

8:00 am Anna Thay Thi Nguyen
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross followed with Mass (English/Italian) afterwards

Saturday, March 15, 2025

9:00 am Intention of the presider
5:00 pm Pro Popolo

Sunday, March 16, 2025

9:00 am Francesco Selvaggio e Luca Longo e defunti
10:30 am Olimpia, Pasquale & Olga Leonetti e Michele Via
Rita Centorame
Giovanni Caperchione
Ugo Natale
Gloria e Benedetto Mariani
Luigi e Domenico Mariani
12:00 pm Alzira & Carlso Padinha & Norberto Vieira and deceased family

SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, March 2..... \$ 4,717.95
Chancery loan \$118,910.00

Thank you for your continued support !

✚REST IN PEACE✚

Remember in your prayers, **Messalina Ortenzi, Marianna Raimondo & Antonio Goncalves de Carvalho** who passed away recently. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Domenica, 9 Marzo, 2025

I Domenica di Quaresima

"Resta con noi, Signore, nell'ora della prova."

Salmo 90

+VIA CRUCIS+



Ogni venerdì durante la Quaresima preghiamo la Via Crucis alle 7:00 pm in inglese e italiano. Celebriamo la santa messa immediatamente dopo la via crucis.

ADORAZIONE



NELLA CAPPELLA

Lunedì, Mercoledì, Venerdì
(8:30 am - 11:30 am)

ADORAZIONE NELLA CHIESA

Mercoledì, 19 marzo
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

CONFESSIONI DURANTE LA QUARESIMA

Ogni Sabato 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
Ogni Primo Venerdì 5:00 - 7:00 pm

In qualsiasi altro orario previo appuntamento.

Pubblicheremo ulteriori date e orari delle confessioni non appena saranno disponibili.

DONNE DELLA LEGA CATTOLICA

La prossima riunione delle Donne della Lega Cattolica avrà luogo **martedì, 11 marzo, 2025**. Si inizierà con la celebrazione della Santa Messa alle ore 7:00 pm. La riunione continuerà nella sala parrocchiale.

CAVALIERI DI COLOMBO

La prossima riunione avrà luogo **mercoledì, 19 marzo, 2025**. Si inizierà alle 7:00 pm nella sala parrocchiale.

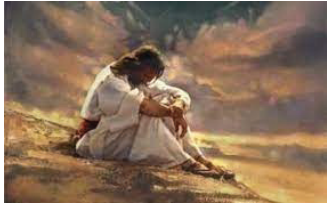


As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... "Repent and believe"

Mother Teresa



KEEPING A HOLY LENT



As we read the account of Jesus' temptation in the desert we should realize that we too have to fight temptations. When temptations come our way

we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. This Lent, let us begin to run away from occasions of sin and instead fill ourselves with good things from God which will slowly help us grow in holiness.

+STATIONS OF THE CROSS+



Every Friday during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross (English/Italian) at 7:00 pm followed with the celebration of the Mass. Please join us.

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT



During this Jubilee Year, we encourage everyone to take the opportunity to go to confession. In our parish, the schedule for confessions during Lent is as follows:

Every Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Every First Friday 5:00 - 7:00 pm

(March 7 & April 4)

Any other time by appointment.

DONATIONS FOR STREET PATROL St. Roch Young Adults Group Initiative



Please support the Young Adults Group of St. Roch who are planning to organize a mission, known as Street Patrol, which will entail the preparation of care packages and sandwiches to be handed out to the homeless of downtown Toronto on Saturday, April 5. They are requesting help from the parishioners in the form of monetary donations which would be put towards the purchasing of bread and meats for the sandwiches that they will be preparing, along with cases of water. Representatives will be on hand after the Sunday masses to accept donations starting this weekend up until the weekend of March 29th. With Almsgiving being one of the key pillars of Lent, this is a great opportunity for all of us to participate and practice our Catholic faith in a meaningful way.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



On **Wednesday, March 19 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm**, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church together with opportunity for confession. During this

Lenten season, take some quiet time to spend with the Lord.

GENERAL MEETINGS



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE....Reminder ladies that our next general meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 11**. We begin with the **celebration of mass at 7:00 pm followed by meeting in the parish hall**. Please join us.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUSReminder to all brother knights that our next general meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall.

Announcing the 2025 ShareLife Campaign



As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on March 30, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our **Parish Campaign goal of \$28,500.00**, addressing the growing needs in our communities.

By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues
- help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten
- distribute food to families in our community
- form priests and deacons who will minister in our parishes

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

IN AND AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Lift Jesus Higher Rally....Saturday, March 29, 2025 from 9:00 am - 5:30 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Center. Visit www.LJHR.ca for more information.

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