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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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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.

Venerable John Merlini School

Matrimoni: Con appuntamento, un anno in anticipo.

Messe Feriali: Mattina: Inglese: 8:00 a.m. Lunedi, Mercoledi e Venerdi (9:00 a.m. Sabato)

e Venerdi (9:00 a.m. Sabato) Italiano: 8:00 a.m. Martedi e Giovedi

416-393-5397

Messe Memoriale: Lunedi-Mercoledi alle 7:00 p.m. (a richiesta)

Chiamate Per Ammalati: Qualunque tempo

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

I Cavalieri Di Colombo: Ogni 3rzo mercoledi 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 23, 2025 3rd Sunday of Lent

"O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!"

Psalm 9



Monday, March 24, 2025

8:00 am Bruno Lorenzetti

7:00 pm **Lenten Mission - Italian**

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

8:00 am Intenzione del sacerdote 7:00 pm **Lenton Mission - Italian**

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

8:00 am Intention of the presider 7:00 pm **Lenten Mission - English**

Thursday, March 27, 2025

8:00 am Giuseppe Giannace, Antonio Rosano

e Grazia Glinni

7:00 pm Lenten Mission - English

Friday, March 28, 2025

8:00 am Deceased members of DelNin Family
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross followed with Mass

(English/Italian) afterwards

Saturday, March 29, 2025

9:00 am Luigi & Liberata Iaboni 5:00 pm Giuseppe & Victoria Martino

Sunday, March 30, 2025

9:00 am Anthony DeSimone 10:30 am Maria Colalillo

> Angelo Nicolazzo e defunti Giovanni Calabria e defunti Maria Voci e Giorgio Frasca

Antonio, Maria e Vincenzo Pietroniro

Pasquale Gabriele Antonio Micomonaco Maria e Bruna Vena Lidia e Tony Di Santo

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SUNDAY OFFERING



12:00 pm

Thank you for your continued support!

VENDITA DI COLOMBE E UOVA DI CIOCCOLATO

Notate che i nostri Cavalieri di Colombo saranno presenti dopo le messe domenicale del 30 marzo, 6 aprile e 13 aprile per vendere Uova di Pasqua di cioccolato e "Colomba".

Domenica, 23 Marzo, 2025

III Domenica di Quaresima

"Il Signore ha pietà del suo popolo."

Salmo 102

MISSIONE QUARESIMALE 24 e 25 marzo alle ore 7:00 di sera



Padre Francesco da l'Italia sara' il predicatore. Lunedi e martedi, 24 e 25 marzo alle ore 7:00 di sera. Il tema e

"Il Figlio Prodigo". Venite.

+VIA CRUCIS+



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

CONFESSIONI DURANTE LA QUARESIMA



Ogni Sabato 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm Giovedi, 3 Aprile 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Venerdi, 4 Aprile 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

In qualsiasi altro orario previo appuntamento.



GRAZIE PER AVER RISPOSTO ALL'INVITO DEL SIGNOR DI DARE DA MANGIARE AGLI AFFAMATI

Per tanti bambini, il cibo e le merendine che ricevono a scuola potrebbero essere l'unico cibo nutriente che avranno quel giorno. Molti studi hanno dimostrato che i bambini hanno difficoltà di apprendimento quando hanno fame. Grazie al tuo impegno, \$750mila in Food Security Grants (Buoni Alimentari garantiti) stanno affrontando il problema attraverso la nostra comunità. Gli studenti ricevono il cibo di cui hanno bisogno ed i genitori ottengono il sostegno di cui necessitano. Il programma FoodShare, gestito dall'agenzia Rosalie Hall finanziata da ShareLife è "un'ancora di salvezza per tante famiglie," dice Jane Kenny, Direttrice esecutiva dell'agenzia. "Permette ai genitori di poter dare da mangiare ai figli, riduce lo stress e permette loro di concentrarsi ad essere i migliori genitori che possono essere."

Il 30 marzo avremo la prima Domenica di ShareLife. Quest'anno, la somma prefissata da raccogliere nella nostra parrocchia è di \$28,500.00.



"The one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty"

On this Third Sunday of Lent, the Gospel reading features Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well, highlighting themes of encounter, thirst for God, and the transformative power of faith.

This Sunday marks a midpoint in the Lenten season, a time to reflect on our progress and to renew our commitment to our Lenten practices. It is also a time to reflect on our own spiritual journey and to consider how we can more fully embrace God's grace. Just as the Samaritan woman turned to Jesus, we are called to turn away from sin and towards a life of faith and service.

LENTEN MISSION IN ENGLISH March 26 & March 27 at 7:00 pm



We invite you to our Lenten Mission on Wednesday, March 26 at 7:00 pm and again Thursday, March 27 at 7:00 pm. Fr. Francesco will be

here to speak on the theme "The Prodigal Son". Please join us.

+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.



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 Thursday, April 3 5:00 - 8:00 pm First Friday, April 4 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Any other time by appointment.

SALE OF EASTER BREAD & CHOCOLATE EGGS



Note that Our Knights of Columbus will be on hand the weekends of March 30, April 6 & April 13 to sell Chocolate Easter Eggs and "Colombe" (Italian sweet bread).

JUBILEE 2025 - LENTEN PILGRIMAGE



In his homily at each of the Jubilee Regional Masses, Cardinal Leo strongly encouraged each individual/family to consider a visit/pilgrimage to one or more of the designated Pilgrimage Churches in

the Archdiocese of Toronto during this special year of blessings. A listing of these churches and resources for your visit can be found at: https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-andministries/sub-sites/year-of-prayer/home/pilgrimage-churches.



THANK YOU FOR HEEDING THE LORD'S CALL TO FEED THE HUNGRY



ShareLife Sunday is March 30. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$28,500.00.

For many children, the snacks and meals they receive in school may be the only nutritious food they eat all day. Studies show that children can't learn and thrive when they are hungry. Thanks to you, \$750,000 in Food Security Grants are making a difference across our community. Students receive the nourishment they deserve, and parents are supported in the process. The FoodShare program at ShareLife-funded agency Rosalie Hall "is a lifeline for families," says their Executive Director, Jane Kenny. "It helps parents provide food for their children, reduces their stress, and allows them to focus on being the best parents they can be."

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

CWL 55TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON Sunday, May 25 St. Roch Parish Hall



St. Roch's Catholic Women's League celebrates their 55th Anniversary this year. To celebrate, they are hosting a luncheon on Sunday, May 25 at 1:30 pm in our parish hall. More details to

follow in the coming weeks. Mark the date on your calendar and we hope to see you there!

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