

# ST. ROCH'S CHURCH

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## Missionaries of the Precious Blood

**Rev. Jerome Hologa**, C.P.P.S. - Administrator

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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

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Rosetta Sampogna 905-856-6353

### Catholic Cemeteries

416-733-8544

### Catholic Women's League

Linda Valdes 416-896-6256

### Children's Liturgy & Sacramental Prep

Gina Tramonte 647-274-2111

### Finances

Louis Edwards 416-740-8605

### Knights Of Columbus

Giovanni (John) Colonna - Grand Knight 416-859-7738

### Organist/Musicians

Orlando Innocentes 416-419-6418

### Prayer Group

Preziosissimo Sangue - Gruppo di Preghiera Italiano di S. Rocco

Lina Pasut (Italian) 416-747-9469

Holy Spirit Prayer Group

### R.C.I.A.

St. Roch's Church 416-749-0328

### St. Roch Parish Advisory Council

416-749-0328

### St. Vincent de Paul Ivette Paraskevopoulos

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 2nd martedì  
del mese alle ore 7:00 p.m. (Settembre a Giugno)

**I Cavalieri Di Colombo:** Ogni 3rd 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, September 28, 2025**

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"Praise the Lord, O my soul!"*

P salm 146

Mass  for  
Intentions  Week

**Monday, September 29, 2025**

8:00 am Joshua Torres

**Tuesday, September 30, 2025**

8:00 am Zulmira & John Cabral

**Wednesday, October 1, 2025**

8:00 am Paul Thanhyan Nguyen

7:00 pm Giuseppe Marchese (1 month memorial)

**Thursday, October 2, 2025**

8:00 am Ilario Giacomazzo

**FIRST Friday, October 3, 2025**

8:00 am Michele Cataneo & Marcello DeLuca

7:00 pm For vocations (followed by 1 hour  
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction)

**Saturday, October 4, 2025**

9:00 am Felomina Ombid

5:00 pm Pro Popolo

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

9:00 am Angelo Carestia & deceased

10:30 am Calogero & Gaetana Collura e defunti  
Antonio Venditti e defunti  
Giuseppe Spataro

12:00 pm Vincenzo Arena

### SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, September 21.....\$3,804.00

**Thank you for your continued support !**

### WEDDINGS

We congratulate and ask you to keep in prayer



**Joseph Talotta & Cassandra Caponio**  
**Andre Evangelista & Olivia Messina**

who will be married here in October.



**FIRST FRIDAY - OCTOBER 3**  
**EVENING Mass AT 7:00 PM**  
**followed by Eucharistic Adoration**

The next First Friday is Friday, October 3. In addition to our morning Mass at 8 am, which will be offered in honour of the Precious Blood of Jesus, on this day, we will also offer an Evening Mass at 7:00 pm. After Mass, we will expose the Blessed Sacrament for one hour followed by benediction. Please join us!

**Domenica, 28 Settembre, 2025**

**XXVI Domenica del Tempo Ordinario**

*"Loda il Signore, anima mia"*

Salmo 145



### PRIMO VENERDI - 3 OTTOBRE

Nella mattina, la messa alle ore 8:00 am sarà offerta in onore del Preziosissimo Sangue di Gesù. Offriamo anche una messa serale alle ore 19:00. La Messa sarà offerta per le Vocazioni. Dopo la Messa esporremo per un'ora il Santissimo Sacramento seguito dalla benedizione. Per favore unisciti a noi.

### VENDITA DI DOLCI

**4 & 5 ottobre**



La Lega delle Donne Cattoliche (CWL) di San Rocco organizza una vendita di dolci dopo le messe del fine settimana del 4 e 5 ottobre. Vi preghiamo di mostrare il vostro sostegno al lavoro svolto dalle nostre donne della CWL. Venite a trovarci per una chiacchierata e date un'occhiata alle deliziose dolci che saranno disponibili per l'acquisto.

### COLLETTA PER L'INDIGENI PER GUARIGIONE E RICONCILIAZIONE

L'Arcidiocesi di Toronto organizzerà una colletta speciale prossima fine settimana, **4 & 5 ottobre**, per sostenere l'Indigeni per Guarigione e Riconciliazione. Il fondo sosterrà i programmi locali e nazionali proposti dalle comunità indigene per favorire il percorso di riconciliazione in corso.

### CATENA DELLA VITA

**5 Ottobre, 2025**



Proverbi 31:8 ci dà coraggio nelle nostre convinzioni per "parlare a favore di coloro che non possono parlare per se stessi, per i diritti di tutti coloro che sono indigenti". Partecipa al grande mandato di Cristo! Unisciti a noi ad Albion Rd e Kipling Ave. **domenica 5 ottobre dalle ore 14:00 alle 15:00** per partecipare a Life Chain, un evento annuale a favore della vita che chiede la fine dell'uccisione dei neonati in Canada. Sii una voce per chi non ha voce!

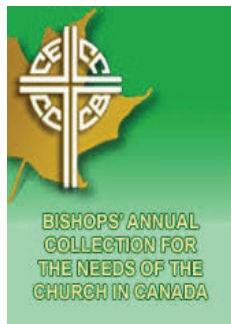
### RACCOLTA DEI VESTITI

**11 & 12 OTTOBRE**



In questi due giorni la Società di San Vincenzo de Paoli farà raccolta dei vestiti e scarpe (nuovi e usati). Ci sarà a vostra disposizione, nel parcheggio della chiesa, un autocarro, dove potete depositare i vestiti.

**Supporting Bishops in their Pastoral Mission  
Across the Country  
September 27 & 28, 2025**



This weekend, our second collection is for the **Needs of the Church in Canada**. This annual initiative helps support and assist the bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Thank you for your support of this important work.

**MASS WITH ANNOINTING OF THE SICK -  
EVERY SATURDAY MORNING AT 9:00 AM**



We remind parishioners that every Saturday morning at our 9 am Mass, we conclude with the anointing of the sick. Please share this information to those who may be ill and wish to receive this important sacrament.

**FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION  
SPRING 2026**



For those parents wishing to register their child to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist (Gr. 2 and up) or the Sacrament of Confirmation (Gr. 7 and up), note that we are now accepting registrations. Please contact the parish office either by phone at 416-749-0328 or via email at [strochswe@archtoronto.org](mailto:strochswe@archtoronto.org).



**VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS REQUIRED FOR OUR  
FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION  
PROGRAM**

We are currently looking for volunteers to teach our sacramental program for the children preparing for the Sacraments. Our classes begin in January. This is a good opportunity for those who are currently studying to become teachers. If interested, please contact our lead catechist, Gina Tramonte at 647-274-2111 or the parish office at 416-749-0328 or by email at [strochswe@archtoronto.org](mailto:strochswe@archtoronto.org).

**BUNDLE UP COLLECTION CLOTHING DRIVE  
October 11 & 12, 2025**



Please let those gently used items that you can do without benefit our neighbours in need! The truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in our parking lot to pick up donations of gently used clothing and linens the weekend of October 11 & 12. Please remember to tie up your bags for easier handling.

**CWL BAKE SALE  
October 4 & 5, 2025**



The Catholic Women's League (CWL) of St. Roch is having a bake sale after the weekend masses of October 4 & 5. Please show your support for the work that our ladies in the CWL do. Stop by for a chat and take a look at the yummy goodies that they will have available for purchase.

**NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION  
Special collection: October 4 & 5, 2025**



As part of our ongoing commitment to support healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised more than 70% of its \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops and dioceses throughout Canada. The archdiocese has allocated \$3.1 million of its \$6 million pledge to charitable initiatives supporting healing and reconciliation. The collection provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information visit [www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation). Thank you for your generosity!

**LIFE CHAIN**



Life Chain is a peaceful public witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Christians pray for its end and hold signs bearing truths such as "Abortion Kills Children" and "Abortion Hurts Women" at hundreds of locations from coast to coast. Please set aside just one hour on **Sunday, October 5 from 2 - 3 pm to gather together at Albion Rd and Kipling Ave**. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age, background, or experience. This is a special opportunity to provide our neighbours with a much-needed message of love, hope, and mercy. Remember how Our Lord asked His apostles: "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mk 14:37). For more information, visit Campaign Life Coalition's website - [www.campaignlifecoalition.com](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com)

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