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

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

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Linda Valdes 416-896-6256

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Gina Tramonte 647-274-2111

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Louis Edwards 416-740-8605

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

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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

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, February 15, 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Blessed are those that walk in the
law of the Lord"*

Psalm 119

Mass  for
Intentions  Week

Monday, February 16, 2026 - Family Day

9:00 am For all families

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

8:00 am Aldo Minervini

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 - Ash Wednesday

(Ashes to be distributed at both masses)

8:00 am Mass in English / Italian

7:00 pm Mass in English



Thursday, February 19, 2026

8:00 am Special intentions of Gertrude Zavarella

Friday, February 20, 2026

8:00 am Fr. Antonio Zanette

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross / Via Crucis

7:30 pm Mass in English/Italian

Saturday, February 21, 2026

9:00 am Intention of the presider

5:00 pm Deceased members of Zamolo family

Sunday, February 22, 2026

9:00 am Deceased members of Nguyen & Le
Families

10:30 am Alberto Donatelli

Teresa & Vincenzo Pulla

Antonio, Maria & Vincenzo Pietroniro

Pasquale Gabriele

Maria Colalillo

Luigi & Daniel Giangioppo

Maria Voci & Giorgio Frasca

12:00 pm Pro Popolo

SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, February 8, 2026.....\$3,535.00

Church Improvement Fund.....\$1,735.00

Thank you for your continued support !

†REST IN PEACE†

Please remember in your prayers, **Nicola Vinci** who passed away recently. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Domenica, 15 Febbraio, 2026

VI Domenica nel Tempo Ordinario

"Beato chi cammina nella legge del Signore"

Sal 118



**"Non pensate che io sia
venuto ad abolire la Legge o
i Profeti; non son venuto per
abolire, ma per dare
compimento"**

Non è il perbenismo il terreno della vita cristiana. Non è la visibilità. La visibilità confonde le acque e Gesù ne era ben cosciente, quando invitava ad evitare l'esibizionismo dell'ascesi e della preghiera. Oggi è tutta una corsa a dichiararsi cristiani o cattolici. Sembra il marchio distintivo per essere considerati "per bene". In ambienti non religiosi o non cristiani, ci si attende dal cristiano la rettitudine, l'onestà, il controllo delle proprie azioni, la buona educazione, la gentilezza, una sorta di bon ton. L'asticella è bassa ed è facile da saltare. Ma la verità delle cose è altrove e richiede sguardi più acuti, prudenza di giudizio, complessità di sentire. Il Regno non è qua o là, non soggiace a punteggi e graduatorie. E' proprio qualcosa che ha a che fare col sale. Senti che la pietanza è buona, ma quel che l'ha resa tale non lo riconosci più. E' un tutt'uno con ciò che ne ha tratto il sapore.

MERCOLEDI DELLE CENERE

18 Febbraio



Due messe in questo giorno:

8:00 di mattina (Inglese/Italiano)

7:00 di sera (Inglese)



+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.

RICEVUTE FISCALI PER L'ANNO 2025

Si prega di notare che le ricevute fiscali per l'anno 2025 sono stato spedito via la posta. Dovresti riceverli intorno la settimana del 16 febbraio. Se non ricevi la ricevuta o se c'è qualche discrepanza, non esitare a contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale. Ringraziamo tutti i parrocchiani per il vostro sostegno.

GOING THE EXTRA MILE



In today's Gospel Jesus boldly says "You have heard what was said to those of ancient times ...but I say to you..." He challenges his followers to go above and beyond their limits of charity and to not settle for their old previous notions of what it meant to love.

How often do we go the extra mile in our sharing of our time and talent? How often do we surpass our comfortable notions of how much we want to love? Jesus is asking all of His stewards to give of themselves generously. Perhaps we can try to take a little more time this week for prayer and commit more wholeheartedly to the ministries we are involved in. Let us always strive to be better and remember the words of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who said, **"You were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."**



BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. JEROME

Exploring the Gospels

Next Bible Study will be **Thursday, February 19 at 6:30 pm** in our side chapel. Please join us! (Note: Bible study occurs every other week on Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GENERAL MEETING

Reminder to all brother knights that our next general meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 18 after 7:00 pm Mass** in the parish hall.



MINISTRY OF COMPASSION AND CARE FOR ELDERLY & SHUT INS

We are looking to start a ministry of volunteers who would be available to visit the elderly and those unable to come to church due to illness. If interested, please contact the parish office. **If you know of an elderly or shut in who would like to receive communion and or visits, please contact the parish office so that we can add to our list.**

TAX RECEIPTS FOR YEAR 2025



Please note that tax receipts for Year 2025 have been completed. You should be **receiving them around the week of February 16**. Should you not receive your receipt or if there is any discrepancy, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office. **We thank all parishioners for your past and continued support!**



We are soon entering into the Season of Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 18. Lent is a time to reflect and cultivate our inner life. It is an opportunity to open our

hearts, minds and bodies to God's love in our lives. It is by growing and dedicating and making ourselves available to God that incredible things can happen. That is what makes Lent so powerful.

(source: dynamiccatholic.com)

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY February 18, 2026



Note: There will be no exposition of the blessed sacrament after the evening mass.

8:00 am English/Italian
7:00 pm English

+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 at 7:30 pm. Please join us.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Monday, Wednesday Friday
in our chapel
8:30 am - 11:30 am

Wednesday, March 18
(in the church)
7:00 - 8:30 pm

LENTEN RETREAT Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre Saturday, February 28, 2026



Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre invites all men and women to their 2026 Lenten Retreat on Saturday, February 28. Facilitated by The Centre Team. Registration begins at 8:30 am. Mass will be celebrated during the day. Cost is \$45.00 and includes coffee/tea with muffins and a hot lunch. The Centre is located at 1617 Blythe Road in Mississauga. For more information and/or to register, call 905-278-5229 or via email at office@gqa.ca

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