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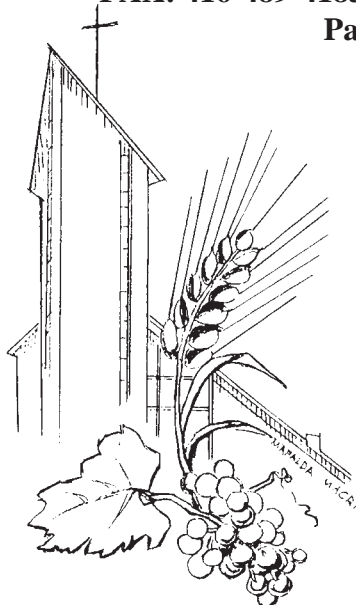
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## PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Andy Macbeth

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Rev. Fr. Gerardo V. Laguartilla, C.P.P.S.

Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. Robert Kinghorn

Permanent Deacon

Cheryll Varona

Office Manager

Richard Kitchen

Custodian

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12noon; 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Evening Receptionist: Monday & Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** - Monday 12 noon in writing

## SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

St. Margaret's 416-393-5249

Loretto Abbey 416-393-5510

Toronto Catholic District School Board 416-222-8282

or [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org)

### **Parish Mission Church - St. Eugene's**

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#### SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Friday 12 noon

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By appointment

BAPTISM - By appointment

## SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY

4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES:

MONDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

8:20 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a Catholic marriage preparation course.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

It is highly recommended that parents contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obligated to participate in our baptismal preparation program. Baptisms generally take place on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 1:30 p.m.

## VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory Office when a member of your family is seriously ill and/or would like to receive Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Peter Remedios, Chair 416-485-7781

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Joe Longpre (Vice-Chair)

### ALTAR SERVERS

416-485-7781

### LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

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### LECTORS

Cherie Zuzarte 416-485-7781

### COMMUNION MINISTERS

Diane Dibacco 416-485-7781

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

416-342-7590

### PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM (P.H.C.P.)

Anna Di Carlo 416-788-0899

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (R.C.I.A.)

Parish Office 416-485-7781

### SENIORS GROUP

Miriam Hastings 416-483-7659

### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY (Ushers)

Parish Office 416-485-7781

### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parish Office 416-485-7781

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

416-733-8544

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP** ... Welcome new parishioners! To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Please introduce yourself/family to the pastor and register as soon as possible.

All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

**N.B.** Please notify the parish office if you change your address or family information.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

### A SPECIAL LENTEN GRACE

**Rend your hearts, not your garments...** Joel 2:13

If you and I just follow the minimum Church requirements for Lent, we will likely feel disappointed when the forty days are over. What is it that we truly desire? I think we all want to encounter the Lord more deeply.

Obviously, we cannot make this happen. It has to be a grace offered and accepted. But we trust that this is what the Lord wants for us as well. Truly, God wants to have an intimate encounter with us infinitely more intensely than we do.

As Lent begins, in addition to prayer, fasting and almsgiving, let us turn to the Lord and pray for just such grace:

Heavenly Father, I know that you intensely desire to embrace me with your infinite love. I pray for a special grace to open my heart during these forty days and to welcome you in love.

Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti  
From: Living Faith

### ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT

#### St. Margaret's

7:00pm Mass; 7:30pm Stations of the Cross

#### St. Eugene's Chapel

6:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30pm Devotion to the Precious Blood  
7:00pm Mass; 7:30pm Stations of the Cross

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Friday, March 11th – 7:00pm**

THANKSGIVING Requested by Tellis family

**Monday, March 14th – 8:20am**

† **MARISSA MORA** Requested by Dorothea Addun

**Wednesday, March 16th – 7:00pm**

For **Departed Souls** Requested by Tellis family

**Thursday, March 17th – 8:20am**

† **PATSY MURRAY** Requested by Eileen Murray

**Friday, March 18th – 7:00pm**

No Intention

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sat. Mar. 12 **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** begins turn clocks

**AHEAD ONE-HOUR!** ☺

Sun. Mar. 13 **2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

- March break: March 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

Fri. Mar. 18 **7:00pm Mass** at St. Margaret's & St. Eugene's followed by **Stations of the Cross**

Sun. Mar. 20 **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

Guest homilist: Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB

Fri. Mar. 25 **FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

- **7:00pm Mass** at St. Margaret's & St. Eugene's followed by **Stations of the Cross**

Sun. Mar. 27 **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

Homilist: Fr. Andy Macbeth

- First collection for our **SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN**

Fri. Apr. 1 **7:00pm Mass** at St. Margaret's & St. Eugene's followed by **Stations of the Cross**

Sat. Apr. 2 **10:00-11:30am PARISH HOME CATECHISM**

**PROGRAM** meets in parish hall for review lesson #7

- **BUNDLE UP SUNDAY** at St. Eugene's Chapel

Sun. Apr. 3 **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

Guest homilist: Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB

- **BUNDLE UP SUNDAY** at St. Eugene's Chapel (see special notice)

Thurs. Apr. 7 **10:00am-12noon VIRTUAL MEETING** of all parishes in **Zone #3** with Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB

### BUNDLE UP FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, linen, toys (new or nearly new) and household goods to share with others. On:

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> – St. Eugene's Chapel**

A St. Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate & sell these donations to support our outreach efforts. Thank you for your continued support.

"The container will be open all day Saturday and all day Sunday until 4:00pm.

**NB We do NOT accept appliances, furniture, books, mattresses, construction material, cassettes, or dishes.**



### THANK YOU FOR MAKING A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love.

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT – March 6, 2022

Offertory	\$3,995.00	PAG	\$953.75
Budget	\$8,300.00		(\$3,351.25)

### YOUR 2021 TAX RECEIPTS

As last year our **2021 income tax receipts** are being **mailed through an Archdiocesan Program**. As of **February 14<sup>th</sup>** these will be **mailed out** to all who made donations of \$75 or more. For **those below** this threshold of \$75, **you may contact the parish office directly**, and have your receipt mailed. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Cheryll, our office manager, during our regular business office hours.

### ANNUAL FINANCE COUNCIL'S PRESENTATION FOR 2021

We are happy to inform you that the Finance Council's Annual Presentation for 2021 is now available to all parishioners in two ways:

- 1) A **YouTube video** and
- 2) the **written script** with the financial statement. Both versions are now available on our parish website. **A tip of the hat to Joe Longpre & Ray Kahnert, members of our Finance Council, for preparing this wonderful video.**

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE – MARCH 25-27, 2022

**Where are you in your marriage journey? Every marriage could use a boost.**

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### SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE OPTION

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tax receipts for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and supports various archdiocesan charities.

To donate listed securities, you can obtain our form, the Letter of Direction by visiting this link: <https://bit.ly/SecuritiesLetter>. For further information, contact the Development Office at 416-934-3400 ext 561/519 or [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org)

**COME AND SEE – DAY RETREAT**

**Saturday, March 18 (9:00am-3:00pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary**

Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)

For more information, please contact (your parish priest) of the Office of Vocations via email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO LABOR**

As I go through this day, for each chair I sit on, floor I walk on, meal I eat – help me to consider those who harvested its raw materials, who crafted its final form, who transported it to my town, who sold or installed it. Lord, help me to be grateful for all whose labor benefits me this and every day. *Amen.*

~ Phil Fox Rose

**HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FUND FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE**

The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible.

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

**Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:**

- ☞ Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- ☞ By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- ☞ Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
- ☞ Name of Parish – Ukrainian Relief – Humanitarian Relief

**SUPPORT OUR LENTEN SHARELIFE APPEAL**

Our parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway. In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your kind support of ShareLife.

Last year, ShareLife supporters like you enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our community.

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$150,000**. Please give generously on **ShareLife Sunday**, which is **March 27**.

**How has your gift to ShareLife made a difference?**

Thanks to generous donors like you, ShareLife, agencies annually help more than 150,000 people your gifts has

- enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family services agencies
- ensured nearly 7,000 seniors received dignified care
- facilitated the arrival of 528 refugees through the Office of Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto

- helped nearly 1,900 young pregnant/parenting women and their babies receive loving support
- invested in our Church's future by supporting 60 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in the 2021-2022 academic year.

In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts us to follow the example of the life of Jesus Christ. Our Annual ShareLife campaign calls us as Christians to show our love to our brothers and sisters in this season of almsgiving.

More than 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies are supported through your generous support. Without our support, the more than 150, 000 people who are helped each year would not receive the hope offered through the important works of these agencies.

As we approach Easter, we give thanks to Our Lord for the everlasting love He gave us through his life and resurrection. Thank you for your generous support for ShareLife.

**Message from Cardinal Collins**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the prolonged pandemic continues to place a great stress on many of us – financially, physically, emotionally – I am heartened by the pure generosity by which you have “lived the Gospel” by being there for the most vulnerable in our community through your support of ShareLife.



At the onset of this year's campaign, I was drawn to Jesus' plea to his disciples as he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane to “Remain here, and stay awake with me.” Those words from the Gospel of Matthew capture so much of what it means to be a disciple and be there for one another.

And now that the 2021 ShareLife Parish campaign has come to a close, it is abundantly clear how you have been there for your neighbours in need. From the elderly person living alone, feeling scared and isolated during this prolonged pandemic, to the young man searching for a reason to keep on living, to a teen mother needing love and support, these are just a few of the people who have benefited from your kind generosity.

This year, the ShareLife Parish Campaign raised \$13.9 million. Given how our parishes are still not able to allow full capacity due to public health protocols, it is a testament to your desire to help others. Thank you to our pastors, parish staff and volunteers who continue to find innovative ways to respond and assist in these challenging times. Most of all, thank you for saying yes to Christ's call to “remain here, and stay awake” with Him as we bear witness to those in need.

May God bless you for your faithfulness and compassion.

Sincerely in Christ,

Thomas Cardinal Collins  
Archbishop of Toronto

**CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS**

- ☺ I went to a psychic and knocked on her door, she asked, "Who is it?" So I left.
- ☺ I told my suitcases that there would be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.
- ☺ What did the one ocean say to the other ocean? Nothing. It just waved.
- ☺ I lost my job as a stage designer. I left without making a scene.





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