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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Closed for Lunch 12 Noon to 1:00 p.m.)

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Holidays CLOSED

**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Vigil Mass (Saturday) 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m. (Service in Vietnamese)

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 7:30 a.m., 12 Noon

Saturday & Statutory Holidays 8:30 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) TIMES**

Confessions before every weekday and Saturday Mass

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (In the Chapel)**

Our adoration chapel is open for adoration and prayer day and night from Monday morning to Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. The Chapel will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Those who wish to spend time from 7:30 p.m. until 6:30 a.m. are requested to contact the parish office to obtain an access code. A valid photo identification document will be required. The Vocation Adoration held overnight on the 3rd Saturday of the month will continue. (Chapel is closed Sundays and Holidays)

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Holy Hour (Church) 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Fridays 6:30 p.m. in the Church

Baptism Every 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month

An interview with the Pastor to set the baptism date is mandatory. Following the interview, attendance by the Parents and Catholic Godparents at Baptism Preparation Class, held every First Saturday of the month, is required. Parents of the child to be *baptized are expected to be active members of the Parish community.*

Marriage One year notice is normally required to prepare to receive this sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor for an initial interview.

Pastoral Care of the Sick. Requests for visitation of the sick and/or to receive the sacraments for the sick and homebound are to be made through the Parish Office. In times of emergency or beyond regular office hours, please contact a Priest in person.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults An interview with the Pastor is mandatory.

NEW TO THE PARISH Kindly complete a Registration Form. We also strongly encourage you to introduce yourself to the Pastor and Associate Pastor after the celebration of the Mass.

PARISH RECORDS The Parish Office tries its best to keep them up-to-date. Please advise of any important changes you may have (telephone and address).

**MISSION STATEMENT**

"To demonstrate the love that we have for God by the community we create and our response to the needs of our neighbour."

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



**MONDAY, March 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**  
**SUNDAY, March 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

<b>MONDAY, March 10<sup>TH</sup></b>  7:30 a.m.  7:00 p.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving of Matthew Lauina</i>  +All Souls in Purgatory
<b>TUESDAY, March 11<sup>TH</sup></b> 7:30 a.m.  12:00 p.m.	+Melencio San Diego  <i>Intentions of Marilou Macandog</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY, March 12<sup>TH</sup></b>  7:30 a.m.  7:00 p.m.	+Michael Ryan Cristobal  +Deceased Members of the Zagrai Family
<b>THURSDAY, March 13<sup>TH</sup></b> 7:30 a.m.  12:00 p.m.	+Albert & Victoria Yetsowodo  +Magdalena Lamilla
<b>FRIDAY, March 14<sup>TH</sup></b> 7:30 a.m.  7:00 p.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving Marcia Andres</i>  +Audrey Francke
<b>SATURDAY, March 15<sup>TH</sup></b>  8:30 a.m.  5:00 p.m.	Multiple Intentions  +Asuero Macandog
<b>SUNDAY, March 16<sup>TH</sup></b> 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  4:30 p.m. – Vietnamese	<i>Parishioners' of St. Rose of Lima</i> + Monique Temfack +Hipolita Lorica +Angel & Francisca Petrola



*We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love."*

**An offering made in memory of a deceased loved one.**

An acknowledgement for your donation will appear in the weekly bulletin but no tax receipt is issued.

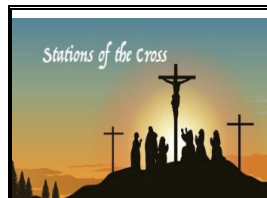
- Bread and Wine**                     **\$25**
- Sanctuary Lamp (Church)**       **\$20**
- Lamps beside Exposed Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel**       **\$10/each**
- Oil for Altar Candle**             **\$10**

Dear Parishioners,



We find ourselves in the Season of Lent and Lent is a special time of renewal for the entire Church; it is especially a time of preparation and renewal for all those who are preparing to receive the sacraments during Easter. This Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, our RCIA candidates and their sponsors will join Bishop Vincent Nguyen, and other RCIA candidates from the Eastern Region, at St. Barnabas Parish, for the Rite of Election and a Call to Lenten Renewal. It is always a beautiful liturgy. Then, later in our Lenten journey, we will welcome our RCIA candidates and their sponsors for the Scrutinies at Masses here at St. Rose of Lima Parish. Scrutinies are celebrated to pray for those who are to be baptized that they may be given strength in Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. I invite the Parish community to keep our RCIA candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be welcomed into our community at the Easter Vigil on April 19. May the Lord who has called them to follow Him closely give them the grace to be faithful to that call. Lent is the season to be praying, fasting, almsgiving...and remember to spend more time with Jesus! I wish you all a blessed Lenten Journey ahead.

*Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.*  
*Pastor*



**Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday during Lent after the 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Mass



St Rose of Lima parish hosted 2000 Hail Marys last Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. We would like to thank:

- All donors who provided cash, drinks and foods, including Jesse Jr. and FV Foods Restaurants.
- All volunteers who helped during the preparation, closing and during the event.
- All parishioners and visitors who participated in this event.

Please mark your calendar - Our next 2000 Hail Marys will be **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**.



The 2024 tax receipts for donations made up to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 have been mailed out to you, by the Archdiocese of Toronto. We thank you very much for your support and generosity. You should be receiving the tax receipts by March 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have not received it by then, please call the Parish Office.



St. Rose of Lima Ministries will be hosting Lenten Soup Nights every Wednesday during Lent *starting March 12<sup>th</sup>*.

Serving will start at 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

<i>March 12th</i>	Knights of Columbus
<i>March 19th</i>	Eucharistic Ministry
<i>March 26th</i>	Catholic Women's League
<i>April 2<sup>nd</sup></i>	Lectors / Music Ministry/ Rosary Makers Group
<i>April 9<sup>th</sup></i>	Legion of Mary / Ushers/ Youth Ministry / Altar Servers
<i>April 16<sup>th</sup></i>	Vincent de Paul / Vietnamese Community

*We are requesting a monetary donation of \$5.00 for the soup nights. All donations will go to support the good works of St. Vincent de Paul Society.*



**Bundle Up for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**



A Saint Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot the weekend of **March 22-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**, so please share what you can with those less fortunate i.e. gently used clothing, shoes, bedding, drapery/towels, and toys (*new or nearly new*). Thank you for your continued support.



**The Three Pillars of Lent**

As we find ourselves in the holy season of Lent, we are invited to a time of reflection, repentance, and renewal. Lent is a journey that calls us to deepen our relationship with God through the three pillars i.e., prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

- **We are invited to a deeper sense of PRAYER** – reflecting on the direction of our lives, connecting with the Lord Jesus; changing our lives.
- **We are invited to FAST** – to fast is to empty ourselves, making room for the Lord and for hospitality to others, especially the poor. In Canada, **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat.** We are invited and encouraged to do special penance on these two days and to save money to give to the poor.
- **And we are invited to give ALMS:** Our ShareLife donation are a concrete way of giving alms. And there are many ways in our local community to donate to those in need.

**Lenten Retreat – April 5 (9:30am – 3:00pm)**  
**“Return to me with all your Heart”**



**CWL invites the parishioners for a day of prayer and reflection as we prepare ourselves to participate in the Passion of Christ led by Fr. Roni George, Director of Divine Retreat Center Toronto**

Please buy your tickets by contacting the CWL members in the church narthex or parish office or online by transferring the funds to [treasurer.cwlstrose@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.cwlstrose@gmail.com) including your name/names & contact.

*We encourage you to invite family and friends to this day of reflection.*





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