

ON MARRIAGE

-A marriage is a covenant by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership which of its very nature is ordered to the well being of the spouses and to the procreation and upbringing of children.

The essential properties of marriage are unity and indissolubility. A marriage is brought into being by the manifested consent of persons who are legally capable.



How do I know if an annulment is possible for me ?

-Start by contacting your parish priest or the Archdiocesan Marriage Tribunal (416-934-3423)

How long does an annulment procedure take ?

-Anywhere from six months to three years.

Age and special circumstances can make a difference.

Do I need a divorce before beginning annulment procedures ?

-Generally speaking, no. However, the annulment is never given until a final decree of divorce has been declared.

I am a catholic. The person I want to marry is a divorced, non-Catholic Christian. Must he/she have his/her annulment in order to be married in the Catholic Church ?

-Yes, the Catholic Church recognizes the marriage of two baptized Christians as valid.

Therefore such marriages, even though they did not take place in the Roman Catholic Church, must also be presented for annulment before a marriage to a Catholic party can take place.

If, for a serious reason, a catholic wishes to marry a non-Catholic in the other person's church, special permission must be sought and received from the Archdiocese.

In any case, only one religious ceremony is permitted.

A Marriage Preparation Course is required for all before a wedding may occur.

Catholics who are divorced with reasonable cause are not prevented from participating in any of the sacraments. When not sure, speak with an understanding priest.

Confirmation Rehearsal

All young adults receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation will have a practice rehearsal today, at 4:00 p.m. Confirmation is next Saturday, April 13th at 11:00 a.m.

First Communion

Today, our first group of children will receive their First Communion. Congratulations to all the children and their families. May God Bless you.

Next Sunday, April 14th our second group of children will receive their First Communion at 1:00 p.m.



St. Mary's Church

Rev. Msgr. Fernando Couto (Pastor)

Rev. Fr. Andre de Lima (Associate Pastor)

Parish Council

Parish Finance Council

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of Every Month at 5:00 p.m.

English Choir

Susan Taylor 416-277-6291

Portuguese Choir

Ana da Silva 905-891-5444

Santo Cristo

Artur Rocha 647-624-7113

Santo Cristo Band (Hall)

Paul Valerio (President) 416-703-2231
647-998-5916

Santo Cristo Association

Please contact the parish 416-703-2326

Espirito Santo

Jose & Margarida Silva 905-873-1908

Saint Vincent De Paul

416-247-8868

Volunteer Co-ordinator

Delia Medeiros (contact the parish)

Baptism—Sundays

Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

Marriages

Please contact the priest 12 months in advance

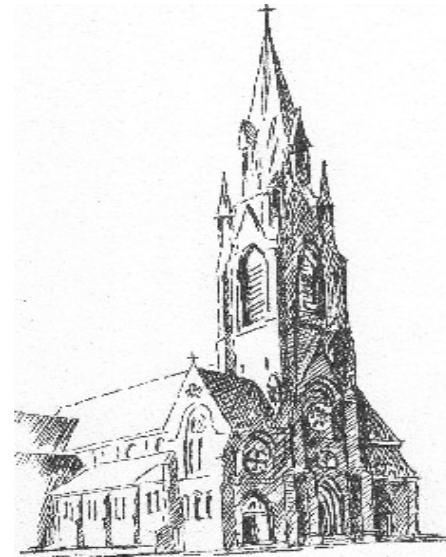
Confessions

Every day before Mass, except on Sunday

Schools

St. Mary Elementary 416-393-5205

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon.— Fri. 8:30—12:00 and 1:00—4:00

Sunday Masses

8:30 am Portuguese

10:00 am Portuguese

11:30 am English

1:00 pm English

Weekday Masses

Monday—Friday 9:00 am Portuguese

6:00 pm English

Saturday 5:00 pm English



II Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

First Reading (*Acts 4:32-35*). The reading from Acts gives a picture of a Christian community that is ideally faithful to the Gospel. It is a community of shared faith and shared possessions.

Psalm: *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.*

Second Reading (*1 Jn 5:1-6*). The Second Reading stresses the Christian vocation to love. Through faith in Jesus Christ, Christians have become children of God. They will show their love for God by keeping his commandments.

Gospel (*Jn 20:19-31*). In the Gospel Jesus appears to his apostles, showing them his wounds and bestowing peace on them. Then he entrusts his mission to them, giving them the gift of the Spirit and the power to forgive sin. Thomas's profession of faith, 'My Lord and my God', is the supreme Christological statement of John's Gospel. Originally John's Gospel ended where today's passage ends.

Sing To The Mountains

Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea.
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.
This is the day the Lord has made.
Let all the earth rejoice.

I will give thanks to you, my Lord.
You have answered my plea.
You have saved my soul from death.
You are my strength and my song!

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory!

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us be glad and rejoice.
He has turned all death to life.
Sing of the glory of God!

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of every nation,
Has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us;
Faith believes nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

How Great Thou Art

Oh Lord, my God
When I, in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.**

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Sing A New Song

**Sing a new song unto the Lord;
let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.**

Yahweh's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord.
And play for him on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep;
your Saviour now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song.

Masses This Week

Saturday, April 6

5:00 pm. Rosa Novaco-Faiello—José Oliveira Brum

Sunday, April 7

8:30 am. Jacinto & Beatriz Martins Medeiros, Domingos & Alda Alves, grandparents of Ana Alves

10:00 am. Community—Henrique Sebastião—José Luis & Maria Teresa Branco—Bernardino & Theresa Arruda—José Carlos Silva, Manuel Pereira—Maria Cabral & José Carreiro — Manuel de Couto Vieira — Abel Ferreira, parents, in-laws & family

11:30 am. In honour of God the Father Almighty—Arlindo, Ilda & Richard Vicente—José & Angelo Medeiros & in-laws—Luis Alfonso Burgos

1:00 pm. Manuel Inácio, Maria Amaral, children & grandson

Monday, April 8

9:00 am. Manuel de Amorim

6:00 p.m. Luis Augusto Ribeiro Raposo

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 am.

6:00 p.m. Ermelinda Arruda

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 am.

6:00 p.m. Manuel & Maria Couto & family

Thursday, April 11

9:00 am. Souls in purgatory

6:00 p.m. Nelson de Melo

Friday, April 12

9:00 am. Souls in purgatory

6:00 p.m. Ildeberto Camara

Saturday, April 13

11:00 am. Confirmation

5:00 p.m. Souls in purgatory