

CONFIRMATION

In the **Catholic Church** the sacraments of infant Baptism and Confirmation are closely linked – although separated by several years. At Baptism, parents and godparents make promises on a child's behalf. Later at Confirmation young people have the opportunity to make their baptismal vows for themselves.

All the candidates being confirmed are asked to renew the promises that others made for them when they were baptised and everyone repeats the words of the Apostles Creed to show that they accept the teaching of the Catholic Church. The bishop or the priest delegated by the bishop, anoints each candidate and says: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit".

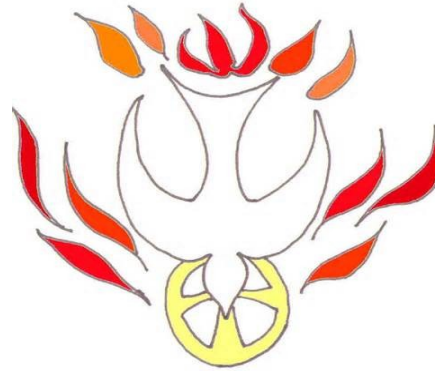
At the end of Confirmation those who were confirmed are told: "May God bless you and give you courage in professing the true faith".

It is very important for each person to receive Holy Communion after they have been confirmed.

The three sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion are called "sacraments of initiation".

The **Orthodox Church** confirms the babies at the time of Baptism and they have their own distinctive way of doing it. The clothes of the baby are removed and he or she is plunged into the water three times – in the name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. The child is then dressed and anointed by the priest with oil.

The sign of the cross is then made on the baby's forehead, eyelids, ears, lips, chest, hands and feet. As the priest does this he says "the seal of the Holy Spirit". This service, called "chrismation" is equivalent to Confirmation in the Catholic and Anglican Churches.



St. Mary's Church

Rev. Msgr. Fernando Couto (Pastor)
Rev. Fr. Andre de Lima (Associate Pastor)

Parish Council

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday of Every Month at 5:00 p.m.

English Choir
Susan Taylor 416-277-6291

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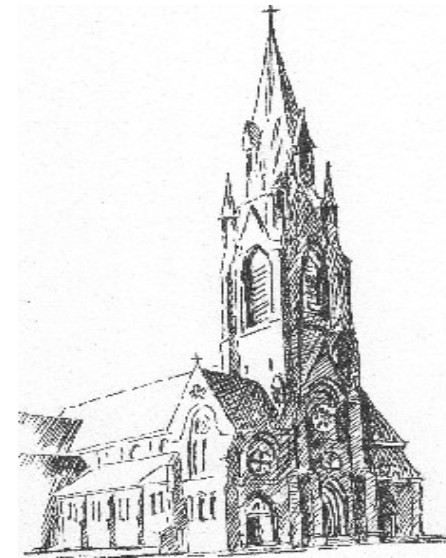
Volunteer Co-ordinator
Delia Medeiros (contact the parish)

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
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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

Confirmation



Congratulations to all the young adults that received their Confirmation this weekend.

First Communion

Today, at 1:00 p.m. our second group of children will receive their First Communion. Congratulations to all children and their families. May God Bless you.





3rd Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

In the First Reading Peter shows great courage when he confronts the people with their part in the death of Jesus. However, he goes on to excuse them on the grounds that they acted in ignorance. In this he may have been inspired by the dying prayer of Jesus: ‘Father, forgive them, they know not what they do’.

Psalm: *Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord.*

In the Second Reading John says that authentic love is proved by obedience to the commandments. Anticipating that the Christian will sin, he reminds us that we have in Jesus an advocate who will plead our cause.

In the Gospel Luke’s primary interest is to show that the risen Jesus is the same person the apostles had known prior to the crucifixion. He emphasizes the reality of Jesus’ bodily resurrection, but makes it clear that the resurrection is not a return to earthly life—Jesus has risen to a new life beyond death. It was only by combining various passages from the prophets that the early Christians came to accept the idea that a suffering Messiah was part of God’s plan of salvation. So Luke has the risen Lord showing the apostles how the Scriptures had foretold that the Christ would suffer and so enter into his glory. Jesus also gives them a mission—the proclamation of repentance and forgiveness of sins.

That Eastertide With Joy Was Bright

That Eastertide with joy was bright
The sun shone out with fairer light,
Alleluia, alleluia!
When to their longing eyes restored
The glad apostles saw their Lord,

**Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

He showed to them his hands, his side,
Where yet those glorious wounds abide,
Alleluia, alleluia!
The tokens true which made it plain,
Their Lord indeed had risen again!



Per Crucem

Per crucem, et passionem tuam
Libera nos Domine, libera nos Domine
Libera nos Domine, Domine.
Per crucem, et passionem tuam
Libera nos Domine, Libera nos Domine
Libera nos Domine, Domine.
Per sanctam, resurrectionem tuam
Libera nos Domine, Libera nos Domine,
Libera nos Domine, Domine.

Song of the Cross

**Love lifted on the cross for me:
my Lord, my God, my salvation.
Love lifted high to set me free:
my Lord, my God, my salvation.**

Behold the wood of the cross,
behold the lamb that was slain.
Behold your king comes victorious,
behold he has risen again.

O be exalted, O God,
above the heavens and the earth.
For by your cross and resurrection
you have redeemed the world.

Give glory to the Father,
give glory to the Son,
give glory to the Holy Spirit;
give glory to the Holy One.

City of God

Awake from your slumber,
arise from your sleep
A new day is dawning,
for all those who weep.
The people in darkness,
have seen a great light
The Lord of our longing,
has conquered the night.

**Let us build the city of God
May our tears be turned into dancing
For the Lord our light and our love
Has turned the night into day.**

We are sons of the morning,
we are daughters of day.
The one who has loved us,
has brightened our way.



Saturday, April 13

11:00 am. Confirmation

5:00 p.m. Souls in purgatory—António Braga

Sunday, April 14

8:30 am. Souls in purgatory, parents & in-laws of José & Margarida Silva

10:00 am. Community—Ermelinda Arruda—Jaime de Sousa—Francisco Caetano, spouse & family—Oligia Couto Resendes

11:30 am. Giuseppe Farinaccio—João Batista Camilo—Luis Alfonso Burgos—Richard D’Souza

1:00 pm. First Communions

Monday, April 15

9:00 am. Cousins of Rosa Mota

6:00 p.m. Intention of Andy Medeiros

Tuesday, April 16

9:00 am. Family of Carlos Arruda

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 17

9:00 am. Miguel Medeiros, parents, in-laws & family

6:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 18

9:00 am. Manuel de Amaral Morgado

6:00 p.m. Fernando Coutinho

Friday, April 19

9:00 am. Liberal Paul Silva

6:00 p.m. José Manuel de Oliveira Correia, intention of Lucia Correia

Saturday, April 20

5:00 p.m. Mariano Machado, parents and in-laws—João Rodrigues & parents—Luciano Pereira Henriques & daughters—Elmira Barbosa