

Prayer of Petition

I asked for health that I might do great things;
I was given infirmity that I might do better things.
I asked for riches that I might be happy;
I was given poverty that I might be wise.
I asked for power that I might have the praise of men;
I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.
I asked for all things that I might enjoy life;
I was given life that I might enjoy all things.
I got nothing that I asked for, but everything I hoped for.
Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered.
I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

Jubilee Mass

This Thursday, February 20, at 7:00 p.m. we are having the opening Mass of the Jubilee of Hope at St. Mary's Church.

The Mass will be presided by Bishop Robert Kasun with several priests concelebrating.

Confessions will be available from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.



Church Hours

Our church is open every weekday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. and from 4:00—6:30 p.m. At other times, please contact the parish office and we will let you in. Pilgrims and groups of pilgrims that wish to visit our church, please contact us to book your visitation, Mass etc.

Pope Francis

Pope Francis, who is 88 years old, has been hospitalized to undergo treatment for bronchitis. Please keep Pope Francis in your prayers.

St. Mary's Church

Rev. Msgr. Fernando Couto (Pastor)
Rev. Fr. Benny Joseph (Associate Pastor)

Parish Council

Parish Finance Council

English Choir

Susan Taylor 416-531-0503

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Espirito Santo

João & Lilia Tavares 647-308-7556

St. Vincent de Paul

416-247-8868

Volunteer Co-Ordinator

Delia Medeiros (Please contact parish)

Baptism—Sundays

Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

Marriages

Please contact the priest **12 months** in advance

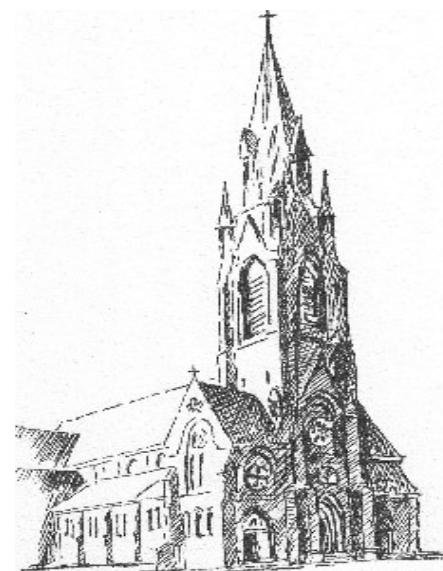
Confessions

Every day **before** Mass, except on Sunday

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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



VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

The First Reading is a little bit of wisdom poetry. It contrasts the wicked who trust in human beings and the righteous who trust in God. The former are compared to a barren desert shrub; the latter to a fruitful tree planted beside a flowing river. This prepares us for the Gospel, where Jesus declares the poor blessed. The poor are the ‘little ones’ who have no one to trust in but God.

Psalm: *Blessed the one who trusts in the Lord.*

The beatitudes echo the program Jesus announced in the synagogue at Nazareth. Whereas Matthew has nine Beatitudes, Luke has only four, with, however, four corresponding ‘woes’.

For this and the following two Sundays we will be reading from Luke’s ‘Sermon on the Plain’ which parallels Matthew’s ‘Sermon on the Mount’.

Blest Are They

Blest are they, the poor in spirit
Theirs is the kingdom of God
Blest are they, full of sorrow

They shall be consoled

Rejoice and be glad

Blessed are you; holy are you

Rejoice and be glad

Yours is the Kingdom of God

Blest are they, the lowly ones

They shall inherit the earth

Blest are they, who hunger and thirst

They shall have their fill



All That We Have

**All that we have and all that we offer
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.**

Take what we bring now and give what we need.

All done in his name.

Some would rely on their power,

Others put trust in their gold.

Some have only their Savior,

Whose faithfulness never grows old.

Sometimes the road may be lonesome,

Often we may lose our way;

Take courage and always remember

Love isn't just for a day.

Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert

But you shall not die of thirst

You shall wander far in safety

Though you do not know the way

You shall speak your words to foreign men

And they will understand

You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid

I go before you always

Come, follow me and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea

You shall not drown

If you walk amid the burning flames

You shall not be harmed

If you stand before the power of hell

And death is at your side

Know that I am with you through it all

And blessed are your poor

For the kingdom shall be theirs

Blest are you that weep and mourn

For one day you shall laugh

And if wicked men insult and hate you

All because of me

Blessed, blessed are you.

Blest Be The Lord

**Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord,
The God of mercy, the God who saves.**

I shall not fear the dark of night,

Nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.

He will protect me from their wicked hands.

Beneath the shadow of his wings I will rejoice

To find a dwelling place secure.

Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday, February 15

5:00 pm. Maria do Carmo Soares—Maria Dolores Anceriz

Sunday, February 16

8:30 am. Parents, in-laws of José & Margarida Silva, souls in purgatory

10:00 am. Community—Maria da Conceição Santos Lousada—Jaime de Sousa—Irene Loureiro

11:30 am. Nada Dean

1:00 pm. João Luis Faria—Cristiano & Mercês Ventura, family & souls in purgatory—Apolinar Bundalian, Sandra Depaoli, Manuel Fernandes Pires Neto

Monday, February 17

9:00 am. Manuel de Amaral Morgado

6:00 pm. No Mass

Tuesday, February 18

9:00 am.

6:00 pm.

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am. Liberal Paul Silva

6:00 pm.

Thursday, February 20

9:00 am. Maria & Manuel Cabral, Ronnie Govia

7:00 pm. Jubilee Mass with Bishop Kasun

Friday, February 21

9:00 am. José & Rosa Pacheco & children

6:00 pm. José Manuel Oliveira Correia, intention of Lucia Correia

Saturday, February 22

5:00 pm. Mariano Machado, parents, siblings—Albertina Gaspar—Jonas Veiga—Intention of Jerry Guerra—Manuel & António Faria