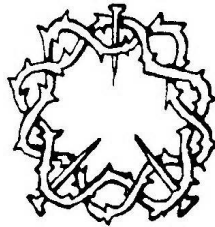


The statue of the “Ecce Homo” that is so much a part of St. Mary’s church, was brought to Toronto by the Portuguese immigrants in 1965. It is roughly a life-size bust of Christ being presented to the crowds as Pilate says “Ecce Homo!” in English “Behold The Man!”.

In 1966, we had the first procession of Senhor Santo Cristo dos Milagres and today it is still the greatest religious event that takes place in our parish every year, and always takes place in the sixth Sunday of Easter.

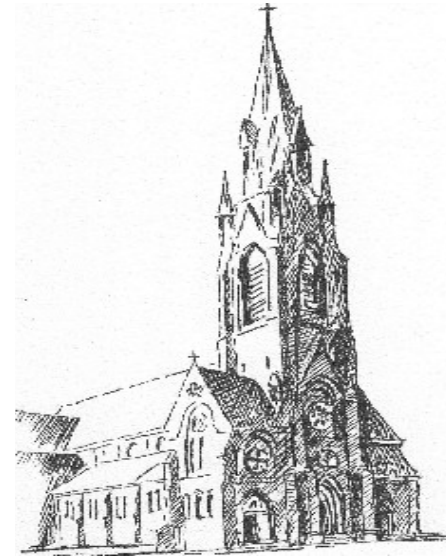
This Sunday, we will have a special Mass at 1:00 p.m. and procession starting at 3:30 p.m. Many of our parishioners are from the Azores Islands where this feast has been celebrated since the year 1700. Similar festivities also take place every year in Brampton, London, Kingston, Montreal, Winnipeg, New England, California and Brasil and many other places with significant Azorean immigrants.



O good and most sweet Jesus, who for the love of our souls wished to be crowned with thorns and regarded as king of mockery in the Praetorium of Pilate, giving us the highest example of humility, attract us by your divine face, so that we have no other thought that is not to praise you, and no other desire that is not to love you.

Lord may our lives be always illuminated by your Sacred Passion, so that, in adversity we may feel your help, in affliction your consolation, in sorrow your joy, thus arriving unblemished to your Eternal kingdom.

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Rev. Fr. Benny Joseph (Associate Pastor)



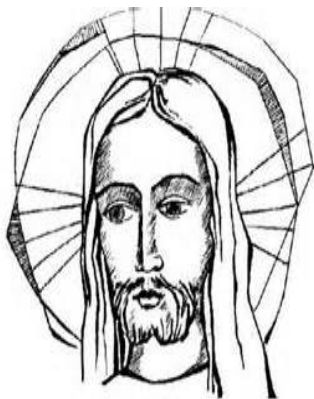
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Mon.—Fri. 8:30—12:00 and 1:00—4:00

8:30 am Portuguese
10:00 am Portuguese
11:30 am English
1:00 pm English

Monday—Friday	9:00 am Portuguese 6:00 pm English
Saturday	5:00 pm English

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VI Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

First Reading (Acts 15:1-2.22-29). A big issue for the early Church was how much of the Law and traditions of Moses should be imposed on Gentile converts. This reading tells us how the problem was solved. Many Gentiles had accepted Christianity as a result of the preaching of Paul and Barnabas. But then a question arose: how much of the Law and traditions of Moses should be required of these Gentile converts? The answer was; the bare minimum. And so, instead of becoming a Jewish sect, Christianity became a universal religion.

Psalms: *Let the peoples praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.*

Gospel (Jn 14:23-29). The Gospel reading is taken from Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper, and is dominated by his imminent departure. He is concerned to assure his disciples that he will not leave them orphans. Despite his leaving, he and they will not be apart.

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. [Refrain]

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

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Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

Make me a channel of Your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring Your love
Where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

**Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul**

Make me a channel of Your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to each one that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women
and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death.
Amen.

**Gentle woman, quiet light,
morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom; teach us love.**

You were chosen by the Father;
you were chosen for the Son.
You were chosen from all women
and for woman, shining one.

Blessed are you among women,
blest in turn all women, too.
Blessed they with peaceful spirits.
Blessed they with gentle hearts.

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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!**

Mass Intentions For This Week



Saturday, May 24

5:30 pm. Santo Cristo Procession followed by the Mass

Sunday, May 25

8:30 am. Osvaldo Terceira

10:00 am. Community — Santo Cristo Association—
Irene Victoria—Maria Sofia Couto—João e Angelina
Rodrigues

11:30 am. Ana Carvalho—Veronica Franco—
Thanksgiving & praise to the Holy Spirit — Manuel
Fernandez Perez—Jaime Rodrigues Rego

1:00 pm. Santo Cristo Feast Mass

3:30 pm. Procession

Monday, May 26

9:00 am. Rosária Ferreira

7:00 pm. Thanksgiving to Santo Cristo

Tuesday, May 27

9:00 am. All souls in purgatory

6:00 pm. Odilia & Michael Correia

Wednesday, May 28

9:00 am. Luciano & Rosa Borges, parents & in-laws,
souls in purgatory

6:00 pm.

Thursday, May 29

9:00 am. Intention of Maria Medeiros & family

6:00 pm. Artur, Maria e Luisa Cabral

Friday, May 30

9:00 am. Manuel Calmeira

6:00 pm. Intention of Filomena & Jamie Melo

Saturday, May 31

5:30 pm. Manuel & António Faria—José Pereira