

ALL SOULS DAY

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest time as an act of Christian charity. In the middle of the eleventh century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny (France), decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers for the Dead on November 2, the day after All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgement of human frailty. In other words, some period of purification may be necessary before the soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

In All Souls day we remember those who have died, and especially, those we have loved. We also pray for anyone who have wronged us, or that we have wronged.

The Church has always prayed for the dead. At every Mass we pray for those who have gone before us.

2nd Eucharist Prayer: “Bring all the departed into the light of your presence”

3rd Eucharist Prayer: “Welcome into your Kingdom our departed brothers and sisters and all who left this world in your friendship”

4th Eucharist Prayer: “Remember those who died in the peace of Christ and all the Dead whose faith is known to you alone”

Today we pray for the dead because one day we will b one of them.

World Missions

Last weekend we took up your offerings towards the World Missions Collection. We received a total of \$825.00. Thank you for your generosity.

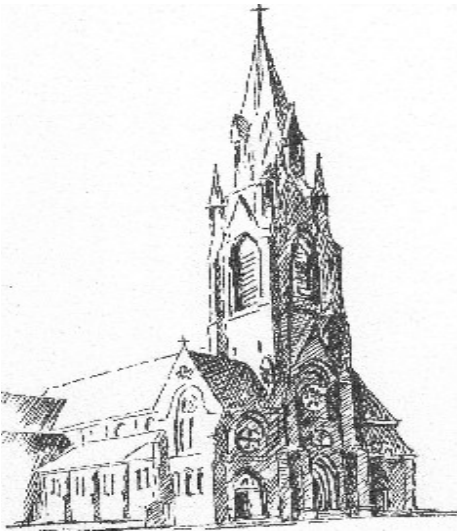
Please Support St. Mary’s

St. Mary’s is a beautiful church and the 3rd oldest Catholic Church in Toronto. The first two churches on this site (1852 and 1858) had to be demolished due to structural problems and the present one dates from 1885.

The maintenance of a church like ours is quite costly. Besides snow removal, and heating during the winter months, we also have the annual insurance that every year goes up. This year our insurance premium was raised to \$52,942.95 and for this reason we request the help of all our parishioners. Needless to say, we are very grateful for all your support in the past.

St. Mary's Church

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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

Parish Council

Parish Finance Council

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

English Choir
Susan Taylor 416-531-0503

Portuguese Choir
Ana da Silva 905-891-5444

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Artur Rocha 647-624-7113

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Please contact the parish 416-703-2326

Espirito Santo
Joao & Lilia Tavares 647-308-7556

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

School
St. Mary Elementary 416-393-5205
Bishop Macdonell 416-393-5462



All Saints Day

November 1, 2025

First Reading: (*Revelation 7.2-4,9-14*)

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, this is the company of those who seek your face.

Second Reading: (*1 John 3.1-3*)

Gospel: (*Matthew 5.1-12a*)



All Souls Day

November 2, 2025

First Reading: (*Wisdom 3.1-9*)

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading: (*Revelation 21.1-5a,6b-7*)

Gospel (*Luke 7.11-17*)

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.

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.



Eye Has Not Seen

Eye has not seen,
ear has not heard
what God has ready
for those who love him;
Spirit of love, come,
give us the mind of Jesus,
teach us the wisdom of God.

Our lives are but a single breath,
we flower and we fade,
yet all our days are in your hands,
so we return in love what love has made.

On Eagles' Wings

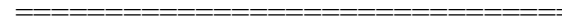
You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord, "My Refuge,
My Rock in Whom I trust."

**And He will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His Hand.**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His Wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day,
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.

For to His angels He's given a command,
To guard you in all of your ways,
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.



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.

Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday, November 1st

5:00 pm. Feliz Luis Martins—José Teves, Fátima Valério—Alda dos Santos Medeiros

Sunday, November 2nd

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

10:00 am. Community—António Correia—Henriqueta Rebelo—José Luis & Maria Teresa Branco—Liliana Correia Vieira—José Dias Farias—Albertina de Sousa

11:30 am. Deceased family members of Pascoal family—José Medeiros & spouse—Sandra Dias, Cajetan D'Souza, Sylvia Phillips—Alfredo Castro

1:00 pm. Stjepan Cicvaric—Victorino Guerra, souls in purgatory

Monday, November 3rd

9:00 am. Liliana Arruda—José Manuel Correia
6:00 pm.

Tuesday, November 4th

9:00 am. Joe Gaspar, grandparents & uncles
6:00 pm.

Wednesday, November 5th

9:00 am. Joe Gaspar, grandparents & uncles
6:00 pm.

Thursday, November 6th

9:00 am. Ermelinda Arruda
6:00 pm. Rogelio Gatabonton

Friday, November 7th

9:00 am. Intention of Martinho Rodrigues & family
6:00 pm. Maria José, António Medeiros & family

Saturday, November 8th

5:00 pm. Odilia Correia, souls in purgatory—Cor Illohan, intention of Corrie Illohan, family, souls in purgatory—Luis Raposo & family