

MARRIAGE AND ANNULMENT

-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)

Do I need a divorce before beginning annulment procedures ?

-Yes. The annulment is never given until a final decree of divorce has been declared.

A formal decision process by the Marriage Tribunal involves an adjudication of grounds for invalidity of a union previously presumed to be valid. The union may involve Catholics as well as non-Catholics.

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.

Annulments issued by the Orthodox Church are not automatically binding; a review and ratification of the Orthodox annulment must be done by a Catholic tribunal.

Income Tax Receipts

As previously announced, we will be preparing our tax receipts in February. Once we have them ready, we will mail them to our parishioners. To make sure you receive your receipt without delays, please notify the office of any address changes. Thank you.

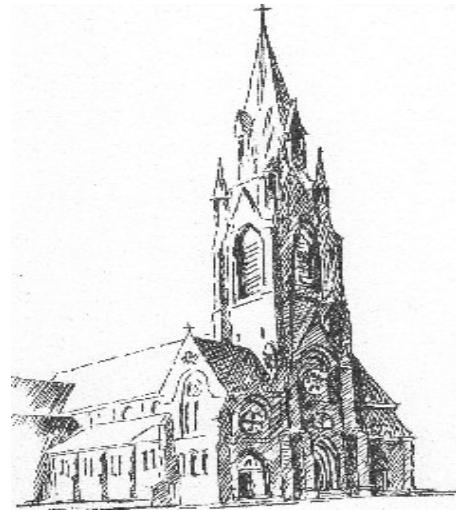
2026 Donation Envelopes

Your numbered box of envelopes is still available. If you did not pick up your box, please do so. To all that will be using donation envelopes for the first time, do not forget to include your name and address on the envelope.

If you have changed your address or phone number, please inform our office so that we may update our files.

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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

Santo Cristo
Artur Rocha 647-624-7113

Santo Cristo Band (Hall) 416-703-2231
Marco Lima (President) 416-818-5462

Santo Cristo Association
Please contact the parish 416-703-2326

Espirito Santo
Kevin & Christina Cordeiro 647-218-1601

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



III Sunday in Ordinary Time

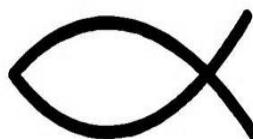
January 25, 2026

First Reading (Is 8:23-9:3) The prophet predicts future liberation for an oppressed people.

Second Reading (1 Cor 1:10-13.17) Paul launches a passionate appeal for unity in the community of Corinth.

Psalm: *The Lord is my life and my salvation.*

Gospel (Mt 4:12-23) Matthew compares the arrival of Jesus on the scene to the coming of a great light to a people who had been living in deep darkness. He saw Jesus as fulfilling the great prophecy of Isaiah: 'The people that lived in darkness have seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.'



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
The Lord of all kindness
has called us to be
A light for all people
to set their hearts free.

The Light of Christ

**The light of Christ
Has come into the world
The light of Christ
Has come into the world**

All men must be born again
To see the Kingdom of God
The water and the Spirit bring
New life in God's love

God gave up His only Son
Out of love for the world
So that all men who
Believe in Him will live forever.

The Summons

Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
In you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in me?

Let Heaven Rejoice

**Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;
Let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim to every land:
Hosanna to the King.**

Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near.
Wake His people, lift your voice,
Proclaim it to the world.

Rise in splendor, shake off your sleep;
Put on your robes of joy.
And in the morning you shall see
The glory of the Lord.



Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday, January 24th

5:00 pm. Avelino & Celeste Magalhães—Manuel e Antônio Faria—Abel Macedo

Sunday, January 25th

8:30 am. Antônio de Faria

10:00am. Community—Santo Cristo Association—João & Angelina Rodrigues—Marlene Fernandes de Castro, souls in purgatory

11:30 am. José & Angelo Medeiros—Juan Solis Solas

1:00 pm. João Luis de Faria

Monday, January 26th

9:00 am. Souls in purgatory

6:00 pm.

Tuesday, January 27th

9:00 am. Praise to Saint Jude

6:00 pm. Odilia & Michael Correia

Wednesday, January 28th

9:00 am. Thanksgiving to St. Amaro, Our Lady of Grace, world peace, souls in purgatory

6:00 pm.

Thursday, January 29th

9:00 am. Sara Coutinho

6:00 am.

Friday, January 30th

9:00 am. José & Maria Couto, parents, family, souls in purgatory

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

Saturday, January 31st

5:00 pm. Abel Macedo