



Masses For The Week

Saturday Mar 17	5 pm	† Jaroslav Chokota (Mila & Paul) † Constantina & Luis Amaral (Daughter) † Pat Chisholm (The Chisholm Family) † Michael & Katherine Krubnik (The Surman Family)
Sunday Mar 18	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia) † Giovannina Mazzacca & Maria Salvatore (Franco & Luisa Sarrapochiello) † Michael & Sally Sheridan (The Sheridan Family) † Adam Lecznar (Family & Friends) † Marian Martin (The Martin Family) “On the Occasion of James & Jessica Engagement” (Iris Purdy) † Elisabete De Melo (Anselmo De Melo) † Catalina De Blois (The Moreno Family) † Josephina Doronila (The Family) † Aurora de Vera Flores (Linda V. Flores) † Joseph de Vera Flores (Linda V. Flores)
	11.30 am	PRO POPULO
Monday Mar 19	8 am	† Giuseppe Lo Giudice (The Family)
Tuesday Mar 20	8 am	
Wednesday Mar 21	7 pm	† Manuel Buenafed (The Family)
Thursday Mar 22	8 am	
Friday Mar 23	8 am	
Saturday Mar 24	5 pm	† Ludmila & Frank Vitasek (Mila & Paul) † Giorgina & Carlos Maia Lopes (The Lopes Family)
Sunday Mar 25	8:30 am	“In Onore al Bambino Gesù” † Donato, Concetta & Giuseppe Zita (Lucy Zita)
	10 am	† Joao De Medeiros & Antonio, Lourdes & Jose (Maria De Medeiros) † Aldo Gemma (Lucy Gemma & Family) † Adam Lecznar (Family & Friends) † Michael & Annie Sheridan (The Sheridan Family) † Agostino Tobia (10 Yr. Mem.) (Anna Tobia & Family) † Elisabete De Melo (Anselmo De Melo)
	11:30 am	† Isabelo P. Bergado Jr. (The Magsila Family) † Marciana U. Magsila (The Magsila Family)

ShareLife Sunday - March 18, 2018

Living the Gospel locally and around the world

“It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they’re invisible, but always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping. Please prayerfully consider how you can be supportive today on ShareLife Sunday.” — Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. Today is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.



Traditional Lenten Disciplines

Fasting & Abstinence: Catholics aged 14 and older are to abstain from meat Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition on Good Friday Catholics age 18-59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals.

Prayer: Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Almsgiving: Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting; giving to the poor the money they saved by buying less.

Meatless Fridays

Many Catholics mistakenly think that Friday abstinence from meat is a thing of the past or only to be observed during Lent. It’s not! The universal law of the Church requires all Catholics to abstain from meat on every Friday of the year. In Canada our bishops permit us to substitute another penance of “equal value”. Please offer your Friday sacrifice for those Catholics who no longer come to Mass.

Let us go the poor

Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society is always on duty. Volunteers field calls from individuals and families in need within our parish boundaries. They respond with home visits, grocery assistance and love. Please remember the Poor Box on your way out of church.

Serra Vocation

Unless a seed first dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we die to our selfish ways, we cannot expect to be people who will “lay down their lives for their friends”. If you think God is calling you to lay down your life as a priest, religious or deacon for His Church, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 **Email:** vocations@archtoronto.org

For safety sake

If you are elderly and living alone, it is always helpful to have a friend who you will call each day, and if the friend doesn’t hear from you, ask them to call to check on you. Also, check into safety alerts available in the market that are very helpful.

Parental Instruction

1st Communion and Confirmation

1. Saturday, March 24th @ 1:00 pm
2. Monday, March 26th @ 7:30 pm
3. Tuesday, March 27th @ 7:30 pm

The instruction is for the parents or guardians and sponsors of those who are to receive the Sacraments and it is obligatory. There is one instruction required. You may attend any one of the above date on which the instruction is held. Attendance will be taken. Confirmation St. Louis School will be Sunday April 8th – Confirmation St. Leo's School will be Sunday April 15th @ 4 pm. 1st Communion for St. Louis School will Sunday April 29th 1st Communion for St. Leo's School will be Sunday May 6th @ the 11:30 am Mass.

Attention Lectors & Minister of Communion

Please review the Minister of Communion and Lectors' schedule for Palm Sunday and Holy Week in the sacristy and mark your calendar. If you are not available or are going to be away on the assigned date please trade with another lector or Eucharistic Minister to ensure coverage.

Missal Prayer Book

We still have a few copies of the new prayer book "St. Joseph's Sunday Missal" for the 2018 season available. The cost of the Sunday Missal is \$5.00. Please ask one of our social committee volunteers. They will be happy to help.

Memorial Mass

Saturday March 24th @ 9:30 am a memorial mass will be celebrated for the soul of Anna Maria Salandra on the 30th anniversary of her passing. The family will gather and pray for Anna Maria. The parishioners are invited to participate. *Eternal rest grant unto them o Lord!*

National Catholic Mission 2018 - The Mass:

The Mystery at the Centre of Salvation with Father Michael Coutts S.J. will be broadcast during Holy Week on the following Networks across Canada:

1. Vision TV: Part 1 Monday March 26; Part 2 March 27th at 8 pm ET
2. Salt + Light: Part 1 March 27th; Part 2 March 28th at 8 pm ET

Novi Singers Toronto

Novi Singers Toronto invites you to a Lenten concert entitled **THE PASSION AND RESURRECTION**, on Sunday March 18, 2018, at 4:00 pm. We will present a prayerful reflection through poetry and sacred music at Islington United Church, 25 Burnhamthorpe Road, Toronto. Tickets for this event are \$30, and can be purchased before the concert, at the entrance; children under 12 free. For more information, flyers are available on tables at the back of the church, or call (647) 447-6581. Check out our website novisingerstoronto.ca



Happy St. Patrick's Day Mar 17th & Happy St. Joseph Mar 19th

We reach out to all our Irish parishioners and friends and wish them and their loved ones "Many Blessings, Love and Laughter and lots of good luck". We also congratulate all our Polish and Italian parishioners on the Feast of St. Joseph March 19th. St. Joseph is the patron saint of Poland as well as Canada and Italy. We extend our congratulations to all the persons named Joseph, Josephine, Josie, Joe etc. Happy St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's day everyone!



Saturday Morning Study Series:

Understanding the Holy Eucharist

10 AM St. Leo's Church Basement Meeting Room

- April 21, 2018; *The Eucharist: Biblical Roots in Revealing Human Love;*
- April 28, 2018; *The Eucharist as Sacrifice/Meal;*
- May 5, 2018; *The Eucharist as Sacrament-Memorial (Last Supper, Crucifixion, Easter, Christ Second Coming)*

Why do I have to confess my sins to a Priest?

Some people say that they don't need to confess to a man. They say they can tell God they are sorry and he will forgive them, anywhere, any time. Actually, that's true if you are only looking to be forgiven. But there is more to Confession (or Reconciliation) than being forgiven. If we are really sorry, we need to change, to stop sinning. Anything is a sin if it hurts others. Most people don't think about others, so they keep on sinning. Confession forces us to take a look at our lives and see who our acts are affecting. The priest is a counselor who can explain why we are wrong and how to change. He's not there to judge or punish us. He's there to diagnose the problem and suggest a cure. He can explain things and even tell you if you're not doing anything wrong. The penance is a small step towards changing our lives. We don't have to change our lives right away, but we do need to change. The Sacrament gives us the strength to make the changes.

