



## JESUITS SPEAK

*St. Ignatius highly valued failure because it brings objectivity. It causes us to ask why. It gives us a reason to ask what we could have done and what we can do better in the future.*

**Jim Manney**

## SACRAMENTAL

### First Reconciliation & First Communion

Registration is open for the first reconciliation and communion programs. Registration forms are available in the parish office from 10am to 4:00pm, Monday to Friday, and at the Sunday welcome desk from 8am to 1:30pm. Please return a completely filled form with a copy of the baptismal certificate and \$50 contribution towards logistics. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 28, 2025. For information call 4169246257 or email [info@lourdes.to](mailto:info@lourdes.to)



RCIA  
Rite of  
Catholic  
Initiation of  
Adults



### RCIA: Journey Into the Catholic Faith Begins This Fall

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Do you have questions about the faith, or want to complete your Sacraments of Initiation?

Our parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program begins on **Sunday, September 28**. This is a prayerful and engaging journey of formation that leads to full reception into the Catholic Church at the **Easter Vigil**.

Whether you're unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or a Catholic seeking Confirmation, RCIA is for you.

**Start Date:** Sunday, September 21, 2025 (Meet & Greet)

**Reception into the Church:** Easter Vigil, 2026

**Location:** [Library and Loyola Halls]

**To Register or Learn More:** Contact the Parish Office  
[[info@lourdes.to](mailto:info@lourdes.to)] or call 416-924-6257]

Come and discover the beauty, depth, and joy of the Catholic faith. All are welcome!

## PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you are new to the area and would like to become a member of the parish, you are invited to obtain a Parishioner Registration form from the Parish Office between 10am and 4pm Monday through Saturday, or at the Welcome Desk in Bernadette Hall after the Sunday Masses at 8am, 9:45am, 11:30am and the 1:30pm. Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes!



## Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



**AUGUST: For mutual coexistence**

Leo XIV

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

*Jesus, Lord of our history,  
Faithful companion and living presence,  
You who never tire of coming to meet us,  
Here we are, in need of Your peace.*

*We live in times of fear and division.  
Sometimes we act as if we were alone,  
Building walls that separate us from one another,  
Forgetting that we are brothers and sisters.*

*Send us Your Spirit, Lord,  
To rekindle within us  
The desire to understand one another, to listen,  
To live together with respect and compassion.*

*Give us the courage to seek paths of dialogue,  
To respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity,  
To open our hearts to others without fear of differences.*

*Make us builders of bridges,  
Able to overcome borders and ideologies,  
Able to see others through the eyes of the heart,  
Recognizing in every person an inviolable dignity.*

*Help us create spaces where hope can flourish,  
Where diversity is not a threat  
But a richness that makes us more human.*

*Amen.*

## PILGRIMAGE TO CANADIAN MARTYRS' SHRINE



The Annual Pilgrimage to Canadian Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario, is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2025. Tickets are available from the Parish Welcome Desk and Parish Office.

Tickets are \$50.

Bus leaves church: **8:30am**

Returns: **6pm**

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE



OUR LADY OF LOURDES IS OFFERING THE marriage preparation course on 2 SATURDAYS: **OCTOBER 4 and 11, 2025 FROM 9am - 4pm.** FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 416-924-6257.

## PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN



Many of the parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto have implemented a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan as an alternative to the traditional Offertory Collection during Mass. The Plan is already in place at Our Lady of Lourdes. Sensitive to each person's preferred way of giving, this Plan provides a convenient debit directly from your account monthly. If you have questions or wish to sign on to the Plan, please call the Parish Office at 416-924-6257.

*MARIA'S BEADS Rosary Making Group - Meeting next Saturday Aug 30th at 1pm in Bernadette Hall*

*All are welcome [all ages and abilities] to our rosary making group Maria's Beads. Come next Saturday Aug 30th at 1:00pm in Bernadette Hall. Beads and equipment will be supplied and we can teach you how to start your own rosary making journey. This group is a perfect opportunity to express your creative gifts, make new social connections, and to grow in your devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary. If you have any questions please email John at [johnzamiska@gmail.com](mailto:johnzamiska@gmail.com).*



*Have a great Summer!!!*

## CANADIAN MISSION COLLECTION



This weekend, August 16 & 17, there will be an opportunity for those who wish to contribute to the Canadian Missions in Canada. The CMC goal is to advance and sustain the Catholic faith in Canada from sea to sea by prayer, awareness & education. Envelopes can be found in the pews and placed in the basket during offertory collection.



### The second Kids @ Mass summer activity

Date: Sunday, August 24, 2025  
 Venue: Church Rectory Garden  
 Time: Drop off by 10:30am -11:00 am  
 Pick Up: 1:00pm  
 NB: If your kid (s) are younger than 5 years, we encourage parents to stay with their children at all times.

All registered children are welcome.

## PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 13-14 – Parish Ministry Fair**  
**September 22-October 5 – Parish Pilgrimage**  
**September 27 – Pilgrimage to Canadian Martyrs**  
**October 4 & 11 – Marriage Preparation course**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, August 18

12:10pm Frida & Alexander Karl + [Virginia]

5:15pm David Sequeira + [Sequeira Family]

### Tuesday, August 19

8:00am Mary Joseph & Mary George + [Roslinda Jithin]

12:10pm Edwin Repatacodo + [Divine]

### Wednesday, August 20

12:10pm Angelita Magistrado's Birthday [Angelita]

5:15pm Thanksgiving [Sr. Hazel]

### Thursday, August 21

8:00am Gunbie + [Marsy]

12:10pm Thanksgiving – Martina Green [Cynthia]

### Friday, August 22

12:10pm Olga Kolisnyk & Gina Jones + [Ada]

5:15pm Sebastien Nzomwita + [Family]

### Saturday, August 23

8:00am Charles Harris & Ellen Sullivan + [Victor Harris]

12:10pm Franzi Arana's Birthday [Denise]

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
**Sr. Grace Sauv , CSJ, Consuelo Duque, Lorreta Chin**  
**Mary Winders, Alex Turk**