



JESUITS SPEAK

*Humility says, "How can I serve you."
Arrogance says, "Here's how you can fix yourself."*

Gregory Boyle, SJ

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



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) 10am

Reception into the Church: Easter Vigil, 2026

Location: [Library and Loyola Halls]

To Register or Learn More: Contact the Parish Office
[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 130pm. 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.



The Parish Ministry Fair is your opportunity to acquaint yourself with the many and varied ways the community is involved in service to the Church. Come visit the booths in the church halls following the Saturday vigil Mass and all Sunday Masses on September 13 & 14. This is an invitation to become more engaged in your parish by putting faith into action. See you then!!

ALL MINISTRIES AND GROUPS ARE INVITED TO COME TO THE OFFICE TO GET THEIR DISPLAY BOARDS AND BEGIN PREPARING THEIR DISPLAY AND PROMOTION MATERIALS.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every first Friday of the Month 8:30am to 5pm
 Take time with the Lord and Our Lady in quiet prayer
September 5, 2025

Benediction begins at 5pm followed by
 Mass of the Sacred Heart at 5:15pm.

MONTHLY SENIORS SOCIAL



Seniors Social is on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 2pm in Lynch Hall. Coffee and a snack will be served. Most importantly, an experienced lawyer has been invited to discuss will making, Powers of attorney and other related legal issues. Every senior is welcome.

Lourdes-Development and Peace invites all to help us prepare for the Season of Creation. This Wednesday, August 27, we need volunteers to help us assemble gifts of hope for our common home. The final product will enable all Lourdes parishioners to Plant the Seeds of Peace. Be prepared to get your hands dirty as we put soil in pots, seeds in envelopes and assembled kits in gift bags. Meet in the Rectory backyard at 3:30 p.m.

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 25

12:10pm Aurea Inong + [Revy]
 5:15pm Peterson Pereira + [Family]

Tuesday, August 26

8:00am Manuel Torre + [Rose Campbell]
 12:10pm Honey Muniosguren + [Alberto Sarthou]

Wednesday, August 27

12:10pm Archimes de Guzman + [Rosita de Guzman]
 5:15pm Rosalina Rivera + [Helen Rivera]

Thursday, August 28

8:00am Ean Peralta + [Horacio Carluen]
 12:10pm George Gallent + [Alberto Sarthou]

Friday, August 29

12:10pm Ramon Sarthou + [Alberto Sarthou]
 5:15pm Fr. William German, SJ + [Wendy]

Saturday, August 30

8:00am Thanksgiving [Mary Paul]
 12:10pm Caridad Thomas' Birthday [Family]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Ferdinand Amongo, Joseph Muyizzi
Mariana Carmela Vargas, Kim Roberston