



## JESUITS SPEAK

*"Father Ignatius says that God deals with us differently than do worldly human beings. They look to find what is bad or imperfect in our actions, they take note of it and then hold it against us. God, however, looks to see what good we have done and closes an eye to our imperfections."*

**Jerome Nadal, SJ,**

*(A close friend and collaborator of St. Ignatius)*

## 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 4pm, 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 416-924-6257 or email [info@lourdes.to](mailto: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 28, 2025, 9:30am-11:30am followed by the 11:30am Mass



**Reception into the Church:** Easter Vigil, April 4, 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!

## BLESSING OF PETS

**On Sunday, October 5, 2025 at 3pm, we will bless cats, dogs, birds and any pets you wish. Simply bring them on a leash or in a cage to the Parish Patio.**



## PLANNING FOR MARRIAGE?



If you have begun planning your wedding for 2026, we are here to help. Just call the Parish Office at 416-924-6257, or send us an email at [helen@lourdes.to](mailto:helen@lourdes.to) to get more information about Archdiocesan requirements. We can also register you for our Marriage Preparation course in October 2025.

## SENIORS MONTHLY SOCIAL



We welcome back Seniors from Vacation on **September 24, at 2pm** in Lynch Hall. Let's come together and jointly plan our new Seniors year. **New and Old Members are welcome.** See you all.



**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network**



*September 2025*

**All creatures are loved by God and worthy of love and respect**

**Help us to discover Your presence in all creation, so that...we may feel and know ourselves to be responsible for this common home where You invite us to care for, respect, and protect life.**

## 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, 945am, 1130am and the 130pm. Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes!

## NOVENA PRAYER TO THE CANADIAN MARTYRS

The Novena to the Canadian Martyrs will start on September 17 and ends on September 25. Here is the link for the Novena prayer:

<https://lourdes.to/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/NOVENA-CANADIAN-MARTYRS-2025.pdf>

## 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.

### PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 22-October 5 – Parish Pilgrimage**  
**September 27 – Pilgrimage to Canadian Martyrs**  
**October 4 & 11 – Marriage Preparation course**  
**December 8 – Communal Penance Service**  
**December 13 – Parish Christmas celebration**

### SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

Next weekend, September 27 and 28, 2025, there will be an opportunity to contribute to the Needs of the Church in Canada Fund. This collection helps our Canadian Bishops meet the needs of the Canadian Church, especially in underdeveloped areas. For those who wish to contribute, simply put your offering in one of the special envelopes provided in the pews and place it in the collection basket at the same time as you make your regular Sunday Offering.

### NATIONAL DAY OF RECONCILIATION

ANISHNAABE “KNOWLEDGE KEEPER” NOAH MACDONALD WILL VISIT TWO OF OUR SUNDAY MORNING MASSES TO SPEAK ON THE SPIRITUALITY OF RECONCILIATION AND LEAD US IN AN INDIGENOUS SMUDGING. A SMUDGING IS A CEREMONIAL CLEANSING OR PURIFICATION WHEREIN VARIOUS MEDICINAL HERBS (SUCH AS SAGE) WILL BE BURNED IN ORDER TO BLESS US AND MOTHER EARTH AS OUR SPIRITS CONNECT WITH GOD. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, AT 9:45AM AND 11:30AM IN THE CHURCH.

### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9am

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

#### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. Scan the QR code



2. Follow this QR link: [qrco.de/WebSept27](https://qrco.de/WebSept27)

3. Send an email

to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write “webinar Sep 27” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR FR. MBUGUA AND OUR PARISHIONERS WHO WILL BE ON PILGRIMAGE SEPTEMBER 22 TO OCTOBER 5

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

##### *Monday, September 22*

12:10pm Dan Angela Magistrado [Angelita]

5:15pm Angela Arnold +

##### *Tuesday, September 23*

8:00am Cinquina Family + [Catherine Cameron]

12:10pm Rodney & Winston Lovendhal + [Loretta F]

##### *Wednesday, September 24*

12:10pm Roberto & Remedios Caldillero + [Eva C.]

5:15pm Valdmir Dolanjski + [Millie Dolanjski]

##### *Thursday, September 25*

8:00am Krystyna & Chester Stankiewicz + [Janina]

12:10pm Brenda Wilson's Birthday [Sylvia]

##### *Friday, September 26*

12:10pm Hermina Schweizer+ [Sievert Family]

5:15pm Ljubica Amanda Dolanjski + [Millie Dolanjski]

##### *Saturday, September 27*

8:00am Jose Ramos III + [Irma Ramos]

12:10pm Profetiza Diaz + [Shine]

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

*Denise Shenker, Edward Yatta, Flora Doringo Flores  
 Rodolfo Tan, Teodorico dela Cruz*