



JESUITS SPEAK

I am happiest and most myself when I choose to love others unselfishly; I do this freely. It is what I am created to be and do.

William A. Barry, SJ

RCIA: Journey Into the Catholic Faith Begins This Fall

Our parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program began 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] or call 416-924-6257]

Come and discover the beauty, depth, and joy of the Catholic faith. Deadline of registration is on Sunday, October 26.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund – Special Collection – October 4/5, 2025

The Archdiocese of Toronto will hold a special collection this weekend, October 4 & 5, 2025 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The fund will support both local and national programs proposed by Indigenous communities to nurture the ongoing reconciliation journey. You can donate through your local parish or online anytime at:

www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

BLESSING OF PETS

This 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.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



October 2025

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us join together as the community of Our Lady of Lourdes to pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

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!

NOTICE



The weekends, October 18 and 19 and October 25 and 26, 2025, the Archdiocese of Toronto asks all parishes to conduct a head count after the homily at the Sunday Masses.

Food Bank Thanksgiving Appeal



Next weekend, October 11 and 12, Our Lady of Lourdes Food bank is holding a Thanksgiving Appeal collection. 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.

UPDATING OUR PARISH LIST

Before we issue the 2026 boxes of Church Offering Envelopes, we need to update our list of parishioners. If you have moved, changed your phone number, or are new to the parish and have not informed us, please do so by calling the Parish office at 416-924-6257 or send us an email at info@lourdes.to, before Friday, 24 October.

ROSARY RALLY

On Saturday, October 11, 2025 after the 12:10pm Mass, there will be a Rosary Rally procession starting from Lourdes Rose Garden on Lourdes Lane side and finishing at Lourdes Grotto on Sherbourne side.

Parish Mini-retreat: October 18

On Saturday, October 18, 2pm-4:45pm, Our Lady of Lourdes is offering a mini-retreat to consider how better to live the Spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus and close patron of our parish. The day's theme will be **'What Matters Most and Why'** and all are welcome. Scripture reflection based on Luke 24, 'The Road to Emmaus' will be in focus as will the book, *What Matters Most and Why*, by Jim Manney. We will be using a familiar method of spiritual (small group) conversation. Persons with a copy of Manney's book are encouraged to bring it. Additional copies will be available. Fr. Earl is our facilitator. Welcome everyone to this day of blessings!



PIILGRIMS OF HOPE

OUR LADY OF FATIMA + Infant Jesus Shrine – Buffalo NY
Shopping at Premium Factory Outlet – Canada side

October 25th 2025 (Saturday)

Cost \$ 80.00 adult/child sitting on the bus (Air con Bus)
Proceeds going to **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**
FOR RESERVATION PLS. CALL

Contact Adele or text 647-522-1958 or
Our Lady of Lourdes office: 416-924-6257

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

October 18
Parish Mini-Retreat

December 8
Communal Penance Service

December 13
Parish Christmas celebration

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
St. Vincent de Paul
Annual Children Christmas Gift Giving
Saturday, December 6, 2025

**Registrations are only for
children 12 years and under**

REGISTRATION DATES:

Friday, October 17	4pm-7pm	Bernadette Hall
Saturday, October 18	2pm-4pm	Bernadette Hall
Sunday, October 19	2:30pm-6:30pm	Bernadette Hall

At the time of registration, Identification Card with name, date of birth and proof of address will be required for everyone planning to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 6

12:10pm Osita Ermac's Birthday [Roselle Makinano]
5:15pm Flavio Makinano Sr.'s Birthday [Roselle Makinano]

Tuesday, October 7

8:00am J.S.M. & Irene de Sequeira [Sequeira Family]
12:10pm Deceased Members of Pereira Family [Jason & Lovlyn]

Wednesday, October 8

12:10pm Denise Baillargeon + [John West]
5:15pm Thanksgiving [Pat & Family]

Thursday, October 9

8:00am Minda De Jesus + [Mitos]
12:10pm Marcello P. Thomas' Birthday [Caridad]

Friday, October 10

12:10pm David Athus Hugh Ewens + [Douglas & Jackie]
5:15pm Rafael Orellana + [Tomas O]

Saturday, October 11

8:00am Mariana Carmela Vargas + [Kathy Ilano]
12:10pm Patricia Roberts + [Isabelle Roberts]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

J.K. Paul, Elijah Kutty, Fidel Chong
Josefina David, Colin Cowie