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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 - 5 p.m.

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. & 12 p.m.

**CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday: 4 – 4:45 p.m.

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:**

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month: 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
in the upper room of the church hall

**TORONTO VOCATIONS OFFICE**

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**WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS!**

New Parishioners are asked to register.

Cards are available at the back of the church.

**BAPTISM:**

By appointment only.

Baptismal instruction required.

**MARRIAGE:**

Archdiocesan policy requires making arrangements one year prior to the date of marriage. Preparatory course is required.

**COMMUNION SERVICE:**

For the sick. Contact the Rectory.

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

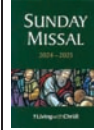


**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – Youssef Sawaya †
- Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – Stephen Demanuele †
- Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. – James Balch (SI)  
– Luis & Felicisma Co †
- Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - 9 a.m. – Richard D'Souza †
- Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> - 9 a.m. – Don Balbesino †
- Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> - 9 a.m. – Luigi Zana Ha (SI)  
– Edwin Turner †  
– Catherine Mitchell (SI)  
– Giovanni Rossetta †  
– Herbert Jayaweera & Lulu Goonewardene †

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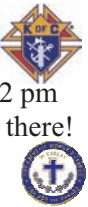
**Offertory:**  
November 10<sup>th</sup>: \$ 6,102.25  
Building Fund: \$ 2,287.10



**SUNDAY MISSALS**  
will be available to purchase  
next weekend for \$10 each.



Tickets are sold out for  
**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**  
Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> / 9:30 am to 12 pm  
Thank you for your support and see you there!  
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus  
with help from the CWL.



**UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION!** We continue to expand our database to be able to communicate with parishioners more easily. Parishioners are asked to email their contact information to [stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjohnfisherbr@archtoronto.org). Please include:  
❶ Name(s) ❷ Mailing Address ❸ Email Address ❹ Phone Number  
Thank you for your cooperation!

Do you have gifts and talents that you can share with our parish? Join a parish ministry today! Volunteer what you can, when you can and as often as you can. No contribution is too small. Training and support will be provided. We especially need: **Lectors, Ushers, & Sacristans.**  
*Call or email the office to sign up!*



There will be a second collection this weekend, for the **SHEPHERDS' TRUST**. The mission of the Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

We thank all of you who regularly give your weekly offering using envelopes.

*Please remember to write your name on the outside of the envelope every week, and especially if you are a new registrant to our parish or just new to using envelopes.* We want to make sure that the envelope number matches the name so we can allocate the donation to the correct person. Thank you for your cooperation!



**LIVE THE GOSPEL!** We have raised \$26,739.73 towards our parish campaign goal of \$35,000. Please share your blessing by making a contribution at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel.

**OUR PARISH PICTORIAL BOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!**

Please visit the parish office during regular hours to pick up your copy.



Visit our website regularly to stay up to date.  
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Of course, we all want to receive Jesus in the Eucharist and the other sacraments for our eternal salvation. If you are one of those people who love the Eucharist and want others to have the same love for Jesus in the Eucharist for their eternal salvation, we invite you to join the **SERRA CLUB OF NORTH PEEL**. Become a promoter of vocations for the priesthood and the religious life, for without priests we are deprived of God's instruments for saving souls. Serra International is a global institution aggregated to the Pontifical Work for Priestly Vocations of the Holy See. Our Patron Saint is St. Junipero Serra. *We meet every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at St Anne's Church (115 Vodden St. E.) Brampton, after the 9:15 am Mass. Need more information?*

Carlos Abug, [carlq7@gmail.com](mailto:carlq7@gmail.com) / 416-409-1384



If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church,  
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Each November, the Church asks us to remember in a special way those who have died.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**





Dear Brother & Sisters in Christ,  
I'm pleased to announce that **Deacon John Coletti** has been assigned to minister at our Parish commencing next weekend. He will also be our homilist next weekend, and will give you all a break from hearing me all the time.

**Here is a little bio on our new Permanent Deacon John Coletti:**

Deacon John was born in Toronto, to Italian immigrants, Loreto and Maria Coletti, and has one sibling, Renato Coletti. He was baptized at St Agnes Church and grew up in Little Italy attending St Francis of Assisi Church, St Francis of Assisi Elementary School, and Brother Edmund Rice High School.

Deacon John attributes his strong faith and devotion to our Blessed Mother and the Saints to his mother, Maria. At a young age he began serving the Church with a strong calling to join the Franciscan Order at the age of 18. However, with a strong desire to also get married and have a family he was advised by his Franciscan Pastor, Fr Angelo, that he can get married, have a family and become a Permanent Deacon later in life. Entrusting everything to our Blessed Mother, Deacon John was blessed to meet Serina in 1989 and married in September 1992. The couple has been blessed with two wonderful girls, Leanna & Teresa.

Over the years he would consider answering the call to the Diaconate, but it wasn't until 2010, at the age of 46, while looking at the Divine Mercy painting at St Joseph's Parish in Streetsville, that he heard the inner voice say, "it's time to answer the call". After five years in the Diaconate Formation Program at St Augustine Seminary, he was ordained a Permanent Deacon in May 2016.

He was assigned to Saint Francis Xavier Parish in Mississauga, and was there for six years until being assigned to St Mary Star of the Sea in Port Credit in July 2022. Deacon John and Serina have been Mentors in the Permanent Diaconate Program since 2016. Deacon John also serves as the Liturgist for the Diaconate Program at St Augustine Seminary. He's also a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 12067 and for the last two years was the Spiritual Director for the Saint Andre Bassett Fourth Degree Assembly. Deacon John was previously the Liaison to his Eminence Cardinal Collins, for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council for the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCRC) and in July 2023 was appointed, by Archbishop Leo, as Spiritual Director for the CCRC. Deacon John has recently been accepted as a Third Order Secular Franciscan at St Peter's Parish in Woodbridge and is truly humbled by the acceptance.

Finally, Deacon John is honoured to be assigned to serve at our Parish and is looking forward to meeting you all. Let us keep Deacon John and his family in our prayers, that the Lord may give him the words he will share with us and therefore lead us closer to the Love and Will of the Lord.

**BLESSINGS,** Fr. Liborio

P.S. I would like to thank **Msgr Alfred Grima** for helping us by celebrating the Masses while I have been away. May God bless him a hundred-fold for his kindness and care.

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**QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTER  
FALL RETREAT DAY PROGRAMS**

- ▶ Nov 25: Day of Retreat Meditating on the Last Things (Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell)
- ▶ Dec 7: Advent Retreat
- ▶ Dec 14: Bereavement Day of Retreat

For info or to register: 905-278-5229 / [www.qoa.ca](http://www.qoa.ca)  
1617 Blythe Road Mississauga ON L5H 2C3

**Cost: \$45 / 8:30 am-3 pm**

*Day retreats include: talks, Holy Mass, and an opportunity for prayer and reflection. Morning coffee/muffins and a hot lunch will be served.*



**FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2025**

**Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)**

Please read John 11:17-43 for full understanding. Write an essay and win great prizes! Deadline to enter is January 13<sup>th</sup>. High school students (ages 13-19 years) are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Write a 500-word essay that explores the 2025 theme. More details at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>

**SECURITIES AS A CHARITABLE GIFT OPTION:** One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate these and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherd's Trust and many others.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/social-justice--outreach/development-and-sharelife/home/gifts-of-securities/>

Or email: [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org)



**Advent Retreat: HERE I AM, LORD - LIVING THE UNCONDITIONAL YES OF MARY & JOSEPH**

The Institute of Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary presents this retreat as part of its Spirit & Life Series for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

Led by Rev Edwin Gonsalves

Sat Dec 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 am-4 pm / In-Person only at St Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd, Scar  
Cost: \$45 - Includes warm croissants, pastries, coffee and tea on arrival, as well as lunch. Mass, Confession, & Adoration.

Capacity is limited. Registration mandatory.

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/spirit-life-series-advent-retreat-tickets-1056644906359?aff=oddtcreator>

As we enter the Advent season, this retreat will allow us to strengthen our own many "yesses" to God, with the model and help of Mary and Joseph.

**ST MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL PRESENTS GLORIA!**

A magical blend of secular and sacred choral repertoire to usher in this Christmas season. A Toronto holiday tradition, this is the Choir School's 59<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas concert. It is packed with exceptional works including Vivaldi's *Gloria*, *Carol of the Bells* and *The Star Carol* and includes close to 300 voices, five choirs consisting of students and alumni taking the stage. **Sat Dec 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.** For tickets: [www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com). Please use promo code: STARLIGHT.

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