



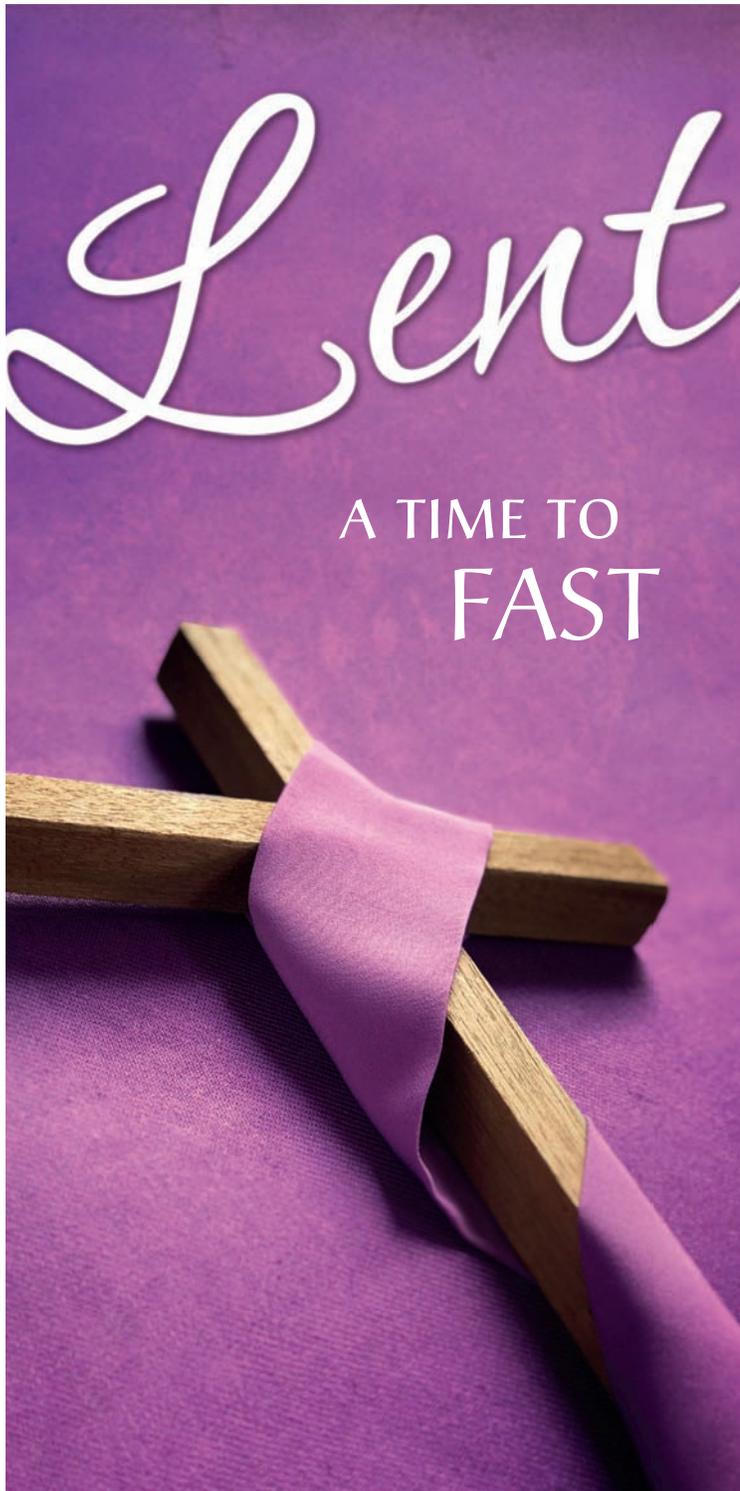
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### The Second Sunday of Lent

March 1st, 2026



**Our mission :** We joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith. May our parish be a sanctuary of peace for you as we journey together to the Father's house.

### Parish Hours

#### DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 am  
 FRIDAY 7:00 pm  
 SATURDAY 9:00 am

#### SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm | 7:00 pm

#### HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 7:00pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm  
 SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm  
 or by appointment

#### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 4:00 pm (church open until 5pm)  
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

### Parish Contacts

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 2 MARCH**  
 9:00 AM S.I. COMMITTING THE FAMILY OF EDWARD UZOMA TO THE HANDS OF GOD

**TUESDAY, 3 MARCH**  
 9:00 AM + VILMA BUENBRAZO

**WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH**  
 9:00 AM + ANNIE & JOHN D’SOUZA  
 + PHILIP MALOLOS  
 + JOSE de MELO BOTELHO

**THURSDAY, 5 MARCH**  
 9:00 AM + BERYL REBERIO

**FRIDAY, 6 MARCH**  
 6:30 PM S.I. JULIO & LUCAS ADUNA  
 S.I. LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ROSARIO FAMILY

**SATURDAY, 7 MARCH**  
 9:00 AM S.I. LILLY ANTONY  
 5:00 PM + EMMANUEL QUINTAL

**SUNDAY, 8 MARCH**  
 8:30 AM + MANUEL & MARIA CHAVES AND FAMILY  
 10:15 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH  
 12:00 PM + SEBASTIAN & JACQUELINE DE SOUZA  
 7:00 PM + RUBEN JORGE



Our Share Life contribution total for 2025 was **\$94,011**, which was **94%** of our goal of **\$104,000**. Our suggested ShareLife goal for **2026** is **\$102,000**. The dates for our Share Life collection are **March 22, April 26 and May 31**. We thank-you for your continued generosity. You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card. To donate online go to: [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)



**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**Fridays during Lent:** 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adoration  
 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mass  
 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**40 CANS FOR LENT**



During Lent, Catholics are asked to alleviate another’s misfortune and through the 40 Cans for Lent Program, your council can bring the joy of the Resurrection to those in need.

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

Collect one can of food per day during the 40 days of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday and then one extra can per person on Easter Sunday. Drop off your cans any time throughout the Lenten season in the designated boxes in the church foyer and they will be distributed to those in need. Thank you for your generosity!



During the season of Lent, there is a board of envelopes in the foyer for “40 Days of Giving”. We invite you to collect an envelope of your choice to support the youth of our parish as they continue to grow as strong disciples of Christ. We thank you for your generosity! **Our next Life Teen night will be on March 7<sup>th</sup> and Edge will be on March 13<sup>th</sup>!**

**VOCATIONS**



Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

*Let us pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.*



**March 7/8**

**6 FOR \$5 and 12 FOR \$8**

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# LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Lift Jesus Higher Rally Toronto  
 “No Greater Love”

March 14, 2026 - 9am to 5:30pm  
 Metro Toronto Convention Centre  
 Adult Rally \$55 Youth Rally \$40

To purchase tickets (price includes admission and transportation), please email Noah Aquino at [youth.sfds@gmail.com](mailto:youth.sfds@gmail.com). For more information on the rally visit [www.ljhr.ca](http://www.ljhr.ca)



*While awaiting death, someone asked how Perpetua would endure the suffering of martyrdom. She replied, “Now it is I who suffer what I am suffering, then, there will be another in me who will suffer for me, because I will be suffering for Him.” Today these women are mentioned in the first Eucharistic Prayer.*

## SVDP BUNDLE SUNDAY

Calling all Spring Cleaners! The St. Vincent de Paul society will be collecting gently used clothing and linens on the weekend of March 21/22. You can drop off your items at the truck that will be located in the east parking lot. Please note they are not accepting any appliances, furniture, mattresses or dishes.



The CWL General Meeting will be held on **March 11 at 7:00pm**. Ladies of the parish are invited to attend if you are interested to learn more about the CWL or want to join.

Please note, Children’s Liturgy will be on hold for the March Break from March 15-22. We will resume our program on March 29. Thank you and we wish all the children a blessed break!



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all the children on receiving the beautiful sacrament of First Reconciliation this weekend. If your child was unable to attend, please contact Mrs Selda as soon as possible, as this sacrament is required in order for the children to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please also contact Mrs. Selda if your child did not submit their passport and prayer challenge this weekend. The First Communion preparation classes will begin in April for all the children attending our six parish schools and the RCIC classes will also resume in April. We look forward to seeing the children at Mass each week as they prepare to receive Jesus on their First Communion Day!

## CONFIRMATION

If your child did not submit their passport, please do so next weekend. Below you will find the Confirmation rehearsal dates; attendance is mandatory. **Lenten confession date is March 25<sup>th</sup>. Remember to bring your own pencil or pen as we unfortunately don’t have a sufficient supply to provide our Confirmandi.** Even though you may be picking up your child “quickly” and leaving right away, **please DO NOT use the accessible parking** unless you have an accessibility permit and are parking for Mass or going to the parish office. We thank you for your cooperation. God Bless.

School	Confirmation Rehearsal Date	Confirmation Mass Date	Mandatory Lenten Confession
St. Josephine Bakhita	Tuesday, April 21 at 7pm	Monday, April 27 at 7pm	<p><b>The Lenten Confession night is on Tue. March 25<sup>th</sup> from 7pm - 10pm</b></p>
St. Jude	Tuesday, April 21 at 7pm	Monday, April 27 at 7pm	
St. Catherine of Siena	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
Other Catholic	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
Public/ Private	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
St. Patrick	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	
St. Francis de Sales	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	
St. Andre Bessette	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	



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