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Mother's Day

May 10, 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

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St. Francis de Sales Parish

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 11 MAY
 9:00 AM S.I. JAIME GEROCHE

TUESDAY, 12 MAY
 9:00 AM + RICARDO & CONSOLACION LIM

WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY
 9:00 AM + IAN LOWING
 + ANTONIO TAINO
 + EUGENE TANIO
 + VIRGILIA TEOFILO
 + RUTH KELLY

THURSDAY, 14 MAY
 9:00 AM + JOSE ARBOLEDA

FRIDAY, 15 MAY
 7:00 PM S.I. ANGEL JOSEPH
 + RAMI AMEM

SATURDAY, 16 MAY
 9:00 AM + JUANITO ESGUERRA
 5:00 PM + PATRICIA ELLUL

SUNDAY, 17 MAY
 8:30 AM + IAN LOWING
 10:15 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH
 12:00 PM + ZENIDA ARBOLEDA
 7:00 PM **NO EVENING MASS**



Please note. There will be no 7pm Mass on Sunday 17 May due to the Victoria Day Long Weekend. The Parish office will also be closed on Monday 18 May.

ROSARY PROCESSION



On Friday May 22nd, the St Francis de Sales Legion of Mary will be having a **Rosary Procession at 6:30 PM** in the parking lot followed by evening Mass in the church. All parishioners are welcome.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVID FISCHER

On Saturday 23 May at 10am at St. Michaels Cathedral, our parishioner David Fischer will be ordained as a Permanent Deacon. All parishioners are invited to attend the ordination ceremony at St. Michaels Cathedral. On Sunday 24 May the newly ordained Rev. Mr. David Fischer will assist at the weekend Masses. At the end of the 12noon Mass, we will have a reception for him and his family in our lobby. All parishioners are welcome to join in on the celebration.

Visit our NEW website:

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FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR APRIL 2026

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$60,000	\$53,145
MORTGAGE FUND	\$10,000	\$5,157
BUILDING FUND	\$5,000	\$4,525
DEBT OUTSTANDING		\$1,292,553



Thank you for all that you are doing for the ShareLife campaign. We are very grateful for your generosity and support. **To date, we have raised \$31,655 which is 31% of our goal.** You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card. To donate online go to: www.sharelife.org



The CWL will have their General Meeting on Wednesday May 13th at 7pm in the foyer of the church. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend!

CONGRATULATIONS FR. DEREK

Congratulations, Fr. Derek, on your 25th anniversary to the priesthood on 12 May! Your dedication and faithful service are a true blessing to our community. Thank you for all that you do! May God bless and protect you always.



DISTINGUISHED CATHOLIC ALUMNI AWARD

On Thursday, April 23, 2026, the Durham Catholic District School Board recognized eight graduates at the Durham Catholic Children's Foundation Gala with the Distinguished Catholic Alumni Award. One alumnus from each Durham Catholic secondary school was honoured for their outstanding achievements and contributions. Our Church would like to recognize two of the award recipients, Edmar Selda and Bernadette Santiago, long-serving parishioners of St. Francis de Sales and excellent witnesses to God's love and mercy in the world.

Congratulations Edmar and Bernadette!

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



CALLING FOR GARDENING VOLUNTEERS

Do you like gardening? Are you able to spare an hour or two, weekly during the growing season in the church gardens? Whether you are a beginner or pro, whether you can handle muscle driven tasks like turning heavy soil or large transplanting, or you prefer lighter jobs such as weeding or deadheading, we need your help. We will be delighted to have you join the Gardening Ministry, and to share with you our common goal of beautifying our church grounds for the community, and for the glory of our loving God. To sign up or for more information, please leave your contact details with the office.



Join us for the biggest pro-life demonstration in Canada the National March for Life in Ottawa on Parliament Hill on May 14th at 12:00pm.

The theme for the 2026 National March for Life is “FOLLOW ME”.

Tickets \$40. A coach bus will leave Holy Family Parish in Whitby Parish at 6:45 am. To get more information on March for Life visit: <https://marchforlife.ca/event/rally-march-2026/>

For more information or to book a spot please call: Gwen: 905-259-8504 or Tony Carvalho: 416-683-6085

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

It has been so nice to see the children during the First Communion preparation classes. We are getting so close to the children's First Communion Day! Please see attached for the rehearsal and First Communion dates and remember to return the “kindness challenge” on the rehearsal date. We kindly remind all families to arrive at least 45 minutes before your child's First Communion Mass time, as it will take time to get the children ready. Looking forward to seeing all of you soon and we can't wait for the children to receive Jesus for the first time! Here is a reminder for attire:

Boys -in their Sunday best with white dress shirt and dark pants

-preferably in a suit but not necessary -First Communion arm bands are allowed

Girls -in a white or off-white dress -no gloves, no purses and no veil covering the face

For both boys and girls: no running shoes, no prayer books, and no rosary beads during the time of Mass
God Bless, Mrs. Selda

School	First Communion Rehearsal	First Communion
St. André Bessette	Thursday May 21 st at 6:30pm	Saturday May 23 rd at 10:00am
Public/Private/Other Catholic Schools	Thursday May 21 st at 6:30pm	Saturday May 23 rd at 10:00am
St. Francis de Sales	Thursday May 28 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 30 th at 10:00am
St. Josephine Bakhita	Thursday May 28 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 30 th at 10:00am
St. Jude	Thursday May 28 th at 7:30pm	Saturday May 30 th at 1:00pm
St. Catherine of Siena	Thursday May 28 th at 7:30pm	Saturday May 30 th at 1:00pm
St Patrick	Thursday May 21 st at 7:30pm	Saturday May 23 rd at 1:00pm

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all of our Confirmandi candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation! You are now sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and we know you will continue to defend and practice our faith. We look forward to seeing all of our Confirmandi at Mass every Sunday. A reminder, the passport program continues until the end of June. A big thank you to our catechists and volunteers for their support during the year and at the Masses. Your time, talent and wisdom with our Confirmandi throughout the preparation classes is appreciated. To all the parents and families, we encourage you to continue to come to Mass every Sunday and thank you for your patience throughout this whole process. May God bless each and every one of you!

God Bless, Noah Aquino



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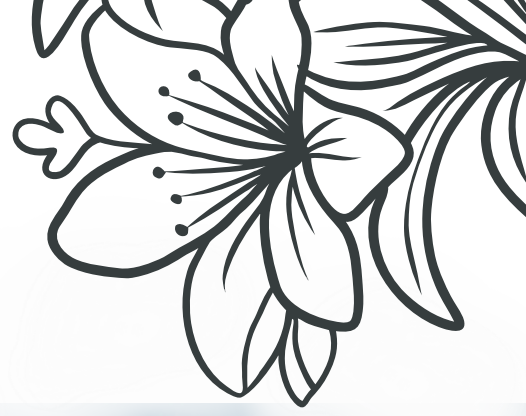
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HAPPY Mother's Day



Today, we honor and celebrate all mothers—those who have nurtured their children, those who have faced the heartache of loss, and all spiritual mothers who embody the loving and nurturing spirit of motherhood. Each of you play a vital role in our community, offering love, guidance, and support in countless ways.

As we reflect on the beauty of motherhood, we are reminded of our Blessed Mother, Mary, who exemplifies the perfect model of maternal love. Mary's deep faith and unwavering trust in God inspire us all, as she embraced her role as the Mother of God with grace and humility. Her prayers and devotion remind us of the power of a mother's love and the strength found in surrendering to God's will.

On this special day, may we be inspired by the love and sacrifice of mothers everywhere, just as we look to Mary as our spiritual mother. Let us give thanks for their unwavering faith and commitment, and may we strive to embody that same nurturing spirit in our own lives. Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers and mother figures in our lives!



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23/24**

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