

# **THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

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Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Saturday at 9 am & 5 pm (Vigil)

Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

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Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

Sunday at 11 am

## **CONFESSIONS**

Monday to Friday at 11.30 am

Saturday at 4.30 pm

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Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

## **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

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Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator

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## Imitating the Good Shepherd

### Jesus the Good Shepherd

John 10:1-10

**“The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures.”**

These are the beautiful opening verses of Psalm 23 which describes God as a shepherd taking care of His people. One attribute of shepherds that is especially poignant is how hard they labour for the good of their flock. Faithful shepherds will journey with their flock, seek out the lost sheep and defend them from any ravaging predators. Jesus does this as well, labouring for us so that we may reach our eternal home where we will rest in His love.



As Christians we are called to imitate Christ in all things including being a shepherd. We too should labour for others, putting their needs before our own. To be a shepherd is essentially to be a good steward. As stewards, we offer ourselves and our gifts for the good of others, especially our parish communities. Let us labour for Christ and His Church in thanksgiving for how he labours for us.

One practice we can adopt, especially on this world day of prayer for vocations, is to encourage and pray daily for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\* says that “stewardship parishes report an ... increase in religious and priestly vocations.” Let us play our part as stewards and begin to share our gifts for the good of the Church.

#### Summary

Faithful shepherds labour for their flock by journeying with them, seeking out the lost sheep and defending them from any ravaging predators. As Christians we are called to imitate Christ in all things including being a shepherd, which means we too should labour for others, putting their needs before our own. Let us labour for Christ and His Church in thanksgiving for how he labours for us.

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

## A Day with Mary, Mother of Jesus

**When:** Saturday May 13, 2023, 9:00am to 3:00pm

**Where:** Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga  
Facilitated by Father Daniel and Anne Hales

**Cost:** \$45.00 lunch included

**Contact:** Jean 905-278-5229 or [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)



This week  
The Sanctuary Lamp  
is dedicated  
For the repose of the soul  
of  
**Pedro Sevilla**  
requested by  
**Sevilla family**

## Mass Intentions for the week

Monday	May 1	12:05 pm	Healing of Maria Adelainda Abengcogo, <i>requested by Maria</i>
Tuesday	May 2	12:05 pm	† Felix Hipolito on his death anniversary, <i>requested by Jesus &amp; Judith Hipolito</i>
Wednesday	May 3	12:05 pm	In thanksgiving & intentions of Teresita Migia on her birthday, <i>requested by Migia family</i>
Thursday	May 4	12:05 pm	† Noemia Resendes, <i>requested by Fatima Cabral</i>
Friday	May 5	12:05 pm	
Saturday	May 6	9:00 am	
		5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	May 7	9:00 am	For the Protection of Unborn Children, <i>requested by Masses for Life Project</i>
		11:00 am	In thanksgiving & for the intentions of Nathaniel Sevilla on his 19th birthday, <i>requested the Sevilla family</i>

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## Purpose of Crowning Mary



It's a Catholic tradition to honor Mary during the month of May by crowning her statue with flowers. The reason why we crown Mary is best summed up by Pope Paul VI who wrote in 1965 that May is an occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven." The crown symbol is attributed to Mary

because she is the Mother of the Son of God, who is our Heavenly King.

**Join us for the Crowning of Mary  
On Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm Mass**

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him?

Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our archdiocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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Facilitated by Father Daniel and Anne Hales  
**Cost:** \$45.00 lunch included  
**Contact:** Jean 905-278-5229 or [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)

## A DAY RETREAT FOR CANCER PATIENTS AND CAREGIVERS

**When:** Thursday May 18, 2023 9:00am to 3:00pm  
**Where:** Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga  
*A Relic of St. Peregrine will be in our chapel*  
Facilitated by Anne Hales and Betty Dotzko  
Mass by Father Daniel  
**Cost:** \$45.00 lunch included  
**Contact:** Jean 905-278-5229 or [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)

## Questions & Answers

### What is the Catholic significance of May?

In the Catholic Church the month of May is Mary's month. **It's the month we honor Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother.**

### Why is May called the month of Mary?

Here's a brief explanation. For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, mind you, but the entire month. The custom spans both centuries and cultures, with roots going back as far as the Ancient Greeks.

### Why do Catholics pray the Rosary in May and October?

The months of May and October are special months on the Catholic Church's liturgical calendar, dedicated to the veneration of the Virgin Mary, mother of Jesus. May is the liturgical month of the Blessed Virgin Mary whose commemoration according to the Catholic Encyclopaedia dates from the 17th century.

### Which month is dedicated to our Lady of the Rosary?

The month of **October** each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7.

### What month do the Catholics honor Mary?

**May** is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

### Why is the rosary so powerful?

After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Holy Rosary is the prayer most pleasing to Our Lady. *Why is it so pleasing to her?* Because it brings us closer to Jesus. That is the single most important reason we should pray the Holy Rosary: through it, we grow closer to Our Lord.



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