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Charles Borromeo Giving Communion to the Plague Victims  
TANZIO DA VARALLO CIRCA 1616

*IF WE WISH TO MAKE ANY PROGRESS IN THE SERVICE OF GOD we must begin every day of our life with new eagerness. We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end in all our actions but the divine honor. – Carlo Borromeo*

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** Parents who wish to have their child baptized must complete a Baptism Preparation Program. Please contact the Parish Office for registration information.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples planning to be married must contact the Pastor at least ONE YEAR in advance of the anticipated date and participate in a Marriage Preparation Course.

**RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):** Confessions are heard every Saturday, from 3:30pm to 4:00pm.

## PASTORAL TEAM

**Fr Mario Cafarelli, C.P.P.S.** Pastor  
**Fr Gerardo Laguartilla, C.P.P.S.** Associate Pastor  
**Sergio Spadafora** Deacon

## PARISH STAFF

**Mary Magno** Office Manager  
**Connie Marcoccia** Receptionist  
**Felix Vargas** Custodian

## OFFICE HOURS

**MON / TUE / THU / FRI** 9am to 3:00pm  
**WED** 9am to 12:30pm  
**SAT** 9am to 12pm

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

<b>MON to FRI</b>	8am	Italian
	12:05pm	English
<b>SAT (SUN VIGIL)</b>	4:30pm	English
<b>SUN</b>	8am	Italian
	9:30am	English
	11am	Italian
	12:30pm	English

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

On the first Friday of the month, the Holy Rosary is prayed at 6:30pm, followed by the celebration of the Holy Mass, Holy Hour, and Confession.

## OUR SCHOOLS

- ▶ **ST CHARLES CS** 416.393.5250  
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## PARISH AND LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

**Adult Choir** (English, 12:30pm)  
**Catholic Women's League**  
**Coro Adulti** (Italiano, 11am)  
**Daughters of Isabella**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**  
**Ministers of the Word**  
**Ministers of Welcome**  
**Ministers to the Altar**

**Ministry to the Sick**  
**Precious Blood Prayer Group**  
**RCIA** [rcia.stcharles@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.stcharles@gmail.com)  
**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**

**SEDER MEAL**

This year in anticipation of Holy Week we will celebrate our annual Seder Meal on Thursday April 10 at 6:00PM in the Church Hall. The Seder is a family meal which celebrates Passover. It follows an ancient Jewish ritual which was celebrated by Our Lord and the apostles at the Last Supper. Through the Seder meal our parish will celebrate the fulfillment of the promise of the Passover, the resurrection. Please join us in celebrating this special feast. Everyone is welcome. Bring family and friends. Share this unique opportunity to deepen our understanding of our heritage and the origins of our Mass. The cost is \$45.00 per person (Roasted Lamb, Roasted Chicken, Rapini, Potatoes, Salad and Dessert). Tickets are available in the church office. Don't delay tickets are limited.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Missionaries of the Precious Blood, (Development Office), is a community of priests and brothers who serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto and around the worldwide. They are looking for volunteers to start as soon as possible. The schedules for volunteers run weekly, biweekly, or monthly depending on the volunteer's availability. Volunteers can determine the commitment they are looking to provide (3 months, 6 months, 1 year). **RESPONSIBILITIES:** Assist with an administrative office and simple data entry and or filing. **QUALIFICATIONS:** Must be at least 18 years of age, passion for helping others and making a difference in the developing countries, ability to work collaboratively with a diverse team of staff and volunteers. Friendly and professional demeanour. Basic computer skills, able to maintain confidentiality. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Lui at [luicpps@yahoo.ca](mailto:luicpps@yahoo.ca)

**RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED!**

The RCIA program is urgently seeking sponsors for our adult candidates for Baptism and Confirmation. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your faith with a new Catholic and to celebrate with them as they join our Church at Easter. No experience is required, and the time commitment is minimal. Please contact Sarah at [rcia.stcharles@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.stcharles@gmail.com) or 416-256-3534 for more information.

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE  
PARISH**

**Stations of the Cross**  
Fridays at 7:00PM in English

**Lenten Missions**  
**English Mission – March 24-26 at  
7:00PM**

**MESSAGE FROM HIS EMINENCE FRANK  
CARDINAL LEO**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you may be aware, Pope Francis has been hospitalized at Gemelli Hospital in Rome where he has been since 14 February. His Holiness is suffering from pneumonia and some mild kidney failure.

I ask you to consider praying the Rosary for Pope Francis, be it before Mass or even a decade of the Rosary following Mass for his recovery.

**Prayer for Pope Francis**

*O merciful and loving God, fountain of all grace and source of eternal healing, be with our Holy Father as he faces this battle with illness. Surround him, O Lord, with boundless compassion and strengthen his spirit so that he may regain the health needed to continue to lead your flock with a father's heart. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Thank you very much for welcoming this prayer request and may the Lord reward you for your solidarity and Christian charity.

Sincerely yours in Jesus with Mary,

*† Frank Card. Leo*

Frank Cardinal Leo  
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

MARCH 9, 2025

**PROSSIMI EVENTI IN  
PARROCCHIA**

**La Via Crucis**  
Martedì alle 7:00PM in Italiano

**Missione Italiana**  
**Aprile 2-3 at 7:00PM**

**PASTO SEDER (Cena Pasquale)**

Quest'anno in preparazione alla Settimana Santa, vogliamo celebrare il "Pasto Seder", giovedì 10 aprile ore 6:00 p.m., nella nostra sala parrocchiale. Il Pasto Seder, è una cena che festeggia la Pasqua Ebraica. Questo evento viene da un'antica tradizione ebraica, dove il Nostro Signore celebrò l'ultima cena con gli apostoli. Tramite questo pranzo Seder, la nostra parrocchia celebrerà l'adempimento della promessa della Pasqua, della Risurrezione. Vi invitiamo tutti a celebrare questo evento speciale. Condividiamo questa unica opportunità per meglio capire le nostre origini cristiane della Santa Messa. Il prezzo è di \$45.00 a persona, e i biglietti sono disponibili all'ufficio della parrocchia.

**CERCHIAMO SPONSORS RCIA (RITO DI  
INIZIAZIONE CRISTIANA DEGLI ADULTI)**

Il programma RCIA è alla ricerca urgente di sponsors per i nostri candidati adulti per il battesimo e la cresima. Questa è una meravigliosa opportunità per condividere la tua fede con un nuovo cattolico e per festeggiare con lui/lei, mentre si unisce alla nostra Chiesa a Pasqua. Non è richiesta esperienza e l'impegno di tempo è minimo. Per maggiori informazioni, contattare Sarah: [rcia.stcharles@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.stcharles@gmail.com) o al numero 416-256-3534.

**REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the soul of Stefano La Verde, Domenico Perri, Pietro Ferrari, Filomeno Palladino whose funerals were celebrated this past week in our Church.

***Masses of the Week***

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8**

4:30PM Rocco Tacconelli

**SUNDAY, MARCH 9**

8:00AM Giuseppe Giancola

9:30AM Angela Iacobucci, Franco Accettola

11:00AM Francesco e Giacomo Riga, Giuseppe Vito,  
Rosa Gambino e Famiglia, Edward Daudlin,  
Giuseppe Colacino, Pasquale Patamia

12:30PM Pro Populo

**MONDAY, MARCH 10**

8:00AM Luigi e Marta Di Matteo

12:05PM Luciano Chiarotto

**TUESDAY, MARCH 11**

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Luisa & Giovanni Celenza, John Mores,  
Santo Giordano, Rosario & Calogera  
Falzone, Cesario Pascua, Maria Lopreiato,  
Ida & Franco Leone

7:00PM Via Crucis

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12**

8:00AM Assunta Cafarelli

12:05PM Luis Pontes

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13**

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Antonio Gomes, Franco Palazzolo,  
Sebastiano Montoni

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14**

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Manuel Barbosa & Josè Pontes

7:00 PM Station of the Cross & Mass

**SATURDAY, MARCH 15**

4:30PM Pro Populo

**ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK**

The annual Mass of St. Patrick at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in Toronto will take place on Monday, March 17 at 10 a.m. His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome. Those unable to attend can participate in the celebration via livestream at [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

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