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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
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OFFICE HOURS

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

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

MON to FRI	8am	Italian
	12:05pm	English
SAT (SUN VIGIL)	4:30pm	English
SUN	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
50 Claver Avenue tcdsb.org/o/stcharles
- **REGINA MUNDI CS** 416.393.5362
70 Playfair Avenue tcdsb.org/o/reginamundi
- **STS COSMAS AND DAMIAN CS** 416.393.5398
111 Danesbury Avenue
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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
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Today's feast embodies a great mystery. Like the people of Israel in the first reading, we are called to a long journey to the Promised Land of heaven. Like them, we can lose patience and fall into sin, sin that can literally kill us (Numbers 21:4-5). Like them, our only hope for salvation is to cling to God's merciful provision.

By raising our eyes towards the Crucified one, we adore him who came to take upon himself the sin of the world and to give us eternal life.

On this wood Jesus reveals to us his sovereign majesty, he reveals to us that he is exalted in glory. Yes, "Come, let us adore him!" In our midst is he who loved us even to giving his life for us, he who invites every human being to draw near to him with trust.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION

First Holy Communion Registration for all children who are currently enrolled in Grade 2 will take place on **Tuesday, September 16 from 3:45PM-4:30PM and 6:30PM-7:30PM in the Parish Hall.** Registration forms will be brought to St. Charles, Regina Mundi and Sts. Cosmas & Damian Schools. Public/Private and other schools can pick up a registration form in the office. **We ask that you fill out the forms and have a PHOTOCOPY of your child's Baptismal Certificate available that evening.** Registration forms will not be accepted without a ROMAN CATHOLIC BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE.

CATECHISM TEACHERS NEEDED

We are looking for Catechism teachers who are retired teachers, present teachers and/or students studying to become teachers. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talent, please contact Mary in the parish office email stcharlesborromeoto@archtoronto.org or 416-787-0369.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please keep in your prayers all our parishioners who are elderly, depressed, sick and/or hospitalized and are unable to attend our Eucharistic celebrations here in our parish. May the Lord give them health and strength in their time of need.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will start meeting on Tuesday September 9 at 7pm in the small hall. We welcome anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church, or anyone (Catholic or not) who is interested in learning more about our faith. Please contact Sarah, rcia.stcharles@gmail.com, 416-256-3534 for more information.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA PASTA AND CARD NIGHT

The Daughters of Isabella are thrilled to announce the return of Pasta & Cards Night. Join us with your family in the church hall on Friday Sept. 26, 2025. Enjoy pasta, sausage, veggies and more for \$30 per person. The playing cards will be provided. Doors open at 5:30 pm and dinner begins at 6:00 pm sharp. Tickets will be available after each mass on Sept 13, 14, 20 and 21. Call Mary at 647-365-1625 with any questions.

OUR LADY OF SORROW



September 15 is the Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows, as we honor the Blessed Mother's Sorrowful Heart, it's important to understand that a "sorrowful" heart is not the same as a "sad" heart. Sorrow is one of the Beatitudes, and therefore one of the holiest qualities we can possess. "Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted"

(Matthew 5:4). To "mourn" is to have a sorrowful heart. A heart that mourns is a heart that loves.

Prayer: Most Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart of Mary, I thank you for the unending depth of compassion you had for those who sinned against your Son and for loving me with that same love. As you grieve with a holy sorrow over my own sins, please pray for me, that I will more fully understand your compassion. As I do, I pray that I will be able to more fully imitate and participate in that love, flowing from your pure and perfect Sorrowful Heart. Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

Please join us for Mass on Monday at 8:00AM & 12:05PM.

L'ESALTAZIONE DELLA SANTA CROCE

La festa di oggi racchiude un grande mistero. Come il popolo d'Israele nella prima lettura, siamo chiamati a un lungo viaggio verso la Terra Promessa del cielo. Come loro, possiamo perdere la pazienza e cadere nel peccato, un peccato che può letteralmente ucciderci (Numeri 21,4-5). Come loro, la nostra unica speranza di salvezza è aggrapparci alla provvidenza misericordiosa di Dio. Alzando gli occhi verso il Crocifisso, adoriamo Colui che è venuto a prendere su di sé il peccato del mondo e a donarci la vita eterna.

Su questo legno Gesù ci rivela la sua sovrana maestà, ci rivela di essere esaltato nella gloria. Sì, «Venite, adoriamolo!» In mezzo a noi c'è Colui che ci ha amati fino a dare la vita per noi, Colui che invita ogni essere umano ad avvicinarsi a Lui con fiducia.

ISCRIZIONE ALLA PRIMA COMUNIONE

L'iscrizione alla Prima Comunione per tutti i bambini attualmente iscritti alla seconda elementare si terrà martedì 16 settembre dalle 15:45 alle 16:30 e dalle 18:30 alle 19:30 presso la sala parrocchiale. I moduli di iscrizione saranno consegnati alle scuole St. Charles, Regina Mundi e Sts. Cosmas & Damian. Le scuole pubbliche/private e altre scuole possono ritirare il modulo di iscrizione in ufficio.

LE FIGLIE DI ISABELLA

Le Figlie di Isabella sono entusiaste di annunciare il ritorno della Serata di Pasta e Carte. Unisciti a noi con la tua famiglia nella sala della chiesa venerdì 26 settembre 2025. Goditi pasta, salsiccia, verdure e altro per \$30 a persona. Le carte da gioco saranno fornite. Le porte si aprono alle 17:30 e la cena inizia alle 18:00 in punto. I biglietti saranno disponibili dopo ogni messa il 13, 14, 20 e 21 settembre. Chiama Mary al 647-365-1625 per qualsiasi domanda.

PREGHIERA PER I MALATI

Ti preghiamo di tenere nelle tue preghiere tutti i nostri parrocchiani che sono anziani, depressi, malati o ricoverati in ospedale e non possono partecipare alle nostre celebrazioni eucaristiche qui nella nostra Chiesa. Possa il Signore dare loro salute e forza nel momento del bisogno. Ricordate che offriamo lo streaming live ogni domenica per coloro che non possono venire in chiesa. Tenete presente che questo non sostituisce la presenza alla messa per chi è fisicamente sano.

Mass for the Intentions Week

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

4:30PM Antonio Gomes

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:00AM Caterina e Rocco Di Vizio

9:30AM Pro Populo

11:00AM Franco Palazzolo, Alida Rizzo, Armando Tamburrini, Valli Tiatto, Teresa e Nicola Mazzitelli, Anna Pezzo e Domenico Scalamogna, Rev. James Reposkey, C.P.P.S.

12:30 PM In Thanksgiving for the Nardo Family

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Safe Travels Ema & Vito Wong

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Nadine Sacco Birthday, For the Souls of Tony Bifano, Rosa Carlisano, Arcangela & Ippolito Covelli

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:00AM Anna e Luigi Iannacci

12:05PM Riccardo Esposito

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue

12:05PM Anna Morrone

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00AM Salvatore Giancola

12:05PM Carmine Iodice

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

4:30PM Special Intention for Folake Irojah
For the Souls of Bambina Ascenzo,
Elena & Settimo Naccarato

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL

Join us at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, September 29th at 2:30 PM as the distinguished faculty of St. Michael's Choir School present an unforgettable afternoon of music for voice and organ, featuring timeless works that echo the grandeur of our sacred space. Experience the artistry and spirit that define SMCS in a concert celebrating tradition, talent, and transcendent sound.

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