

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH

TOGETHER IN PRAYER AND WORSHIP





Holy Angels Parish walks with you in your journey of faith. We are a community of believers, coming together to pray and give glory to God through liturgy and sacraments. Our Catholic community welcomes you. We pray that each parishioner will be blessed and strengthened by the power of Jesus Christ our Saviour and live a life of abundance in fellowship, joy and love. May God bless you always!

PASTORAL TEAM/ SQUADRA PASTORALE:

Rev. Mariusz Wilk OMI Pastor Anna Schaefer Secretary/Catechist

Maria Park Music Director Anna Capuano Organist

Danny Franchi Hall Caretaker

MASS TIMES/ORARIO DELLE MESSE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. English Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Italian 11:30 a.m. English Weekday Masses: 8:00 a.m. English (Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri) NO Mass on Tuesdays

CONFESSIONS/ CONFESSIONI:

4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Saturdays or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS/ ORARIO DI UFFICIO:

Monday By Appointment Only **Tuesday** Closed Wednesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday Closed

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February 18, 2024 | First Sunday of Lent Gn 9:8-15 | 1 Pt 3:18-22 | Mk 1:12-15

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

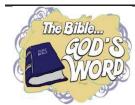
Today is the first day of Lent! It is the beginning of a new liturgical season in the Church, a season of prayer, service and self-sacrifice. It is a time of preparation, culminating in the holiest day of the year: Easter. As we embark on our Lenten journey, we hear a reading from Genesis in which God makes a covenant with Noah where he promises, "the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings." The Lord has said that no matter our disobedience, sin and rebellion, he will never destroy us! Saint Peter explains how the story of Noah, "in which a few persons ... were saved through water," prefigures baptism, and baptism, as we know, marks us as the Lord's own forever. We are sealed with a sign that can never be relinquished. So, just as the great flood signaled a rebirth for the world, our baptism is a rebirth of our soul in Christ. We are washed clean of our original sin, and the door to salvation is opened for us. It is fitting that at the beginning of our Lenten journey we hear the story of the beginning of our eternal covenant with the Lord. Both the covenant, and Lent, will be fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

As a child, Lent meant lentils for dinner, Stations of the Cross on Fridays, and no TV ever. For a 10-year-old, it was a time to be endured. Now, as an adult, Lent can still be hard, but I recognize it as a time of opportunity as well. It is a chance to strip away all the excess in my life and focus on what matters most. While I am not exactly jumping for joy at the thought of fasting, I can't deny that it is easier for me to spend time in prayer when I'm not mindlessly grazing on chips and chocolate all day long. I may grumble at times, but with God's grace I have grown in understanding of the Church's wisdom in encouraging us to fast, pray and give alms during Lent. All three practices invite us to reflect on the great sacrifice of the Lord and prepare our hearts to receive him each Sunday in the Eucharist, as well as on our final judgment day.

PRAY Lent is the perfect time to take stock of your current spiritual practices and add new ones to your daily routine. Remember the words we heard from Jesus today: "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Start off your Lenten season right by taking time to receive the sacrament of reconciliation and designating a time each day to pray. If you aren't sure what to say to God during this time, choose a verse or two of Psalm 6 and let your heart take it from there.



I Domenica di Ouaresima

Come Gesù, che si ritira quaranta giorni nel deserto, pregando e digiunando, così noi siamo invitati a

trovare spazi di silenzio interiore che chi conducano a una vera conversione, con l'adesione totale a Dio, in una vita di fede, nutriti dal vero pane che è la sua Parola.



Sanctuary Lamp Prayer for the week of February 18th is offered in memory of the deceased parents of Giuseppina Zaccaria.

La lampada del SS. Sacramento della settimana di 18 febbraio è stata offerta in memoria dei genitori defunti richiesta da Giuseppina Zaccaria.



Thank you for supporting your church. Collection for February 11th was \$3,095.00. Grazie della generosità per la vostra Chiesa. L'offertorio della domenica 11 febbraio era \$3,095.00.

Holy Angels Building Repairs Fund: Second collection for February 11th was \$697.00. *La Seconda Raccolta per la Chiesa:* Seconda raccolta della settimana 11 febbraio era \$697.00.



<u>Dr. Simone:</u> We will be collecting sugar for the month of February.

Questo mese accogliamo lo zucchero per la missione del Dr. Simone.

Tax Receipts for 2023: will be mailed directly to you by the end of March. We apologize for the delay this year, but the new program has created some issues which has caused the data entry to be behind.



Fish & Chips will take place on Good Friday, March 29th following the CHIPS 3:00 p.m. service. We will also be selling these tickets. The price once again this year is \$20 per person.

Queen of Apostles Lenten Retreat: facilitated by the centre team on Saturday, March 9, 2024. Cost \$45 includes lunch. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Please call Jean at 905-278-5524 or email office@goa.ca

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy ٠
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER: 1. scan this OR code: 2. follow this QR link:

https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24 3. send an email to:



Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



Spring Garage Sale: Doing some spring cleaning over the next few months? Consider bringing us your stuff to sell at our Garage Sale! Or, rent a table for \$25 and come sell your

treasures on May 11th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. More details to follow in the next coming bulletins.

Coins For Life 2024: Would you, your family and friends put aside your toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during the next 4-6 weeks, and contribute these savings to help in the struggle to end abortion and to create a Culture of Life in Canada? If so, Coins for Life boxes will be available at the back of the church. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 9, 2024. life. For more information call Jenny at 416-267-7126. Volunteers are always needed!

Feast of St. Anthony Committee: The committee is busy working on the St. Anthony book for 2024. If anyone wishes to include a memorial page for their loved one in the St. Anthony program book, please contact Rosanne at 905-629-4080.

Mass Intentions February 19th to February 25th

Monday, February 19th

Lenten Weekday 8:00 am Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima by Anna Policelli

Tuesday, February 20th

Lenten Weekday 8:00 am No Mass

Wednesday, February 21st

St. Peter Damian 8:00 am † Donato De Santis by Famiglia Niro † Carmela Maselli & Lucia Saldutto by Nicolina Marinaccio † Anne Cahill by Teresa & Martin Kuervers

Thursday, February 22nd

Chair of St. Peter 8:00 am † Domenico & Anna Palumbo by Michele & Michelina Policelli

Friday, February 23rd

St. Polycarp 8:00 am † Frank Szura by Wife Mary

Saturday, February 24th

Lenten Weekday 5:00 pm † Joanna & Roman Robak and Family by Dorota Cieslik

Sunday, February 25th

2nd Sunday of Lent 9:30 am † Maria & Francesco Gimondo by Maria & Vincenzo Gimondo

11:30 am

Brian, to beat any neurological challenge and to find appropriate school and services for his needs by Mom Jana

Lent and Devotion: We will begin our season of Lent with the Ash Wednesday celebration receiving the mark of ashes symbolizing repentance and commitment to the Lord. During this Holy Season, each Friday we will celebrate The Way of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. This devotion will remind us of the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Please join us in this traditional prayer of the church.

Tempo di Quaresima è un tempo molto importante che ci aiuta a crescere nella nostra fede e adesione a Cristo Signore morto sulla croce per la nostra salvezza. Durante questo tempo, ogni venerdì alle ore 7:00 di sera, celebriamo la Via Crucis, con le preghiere, canti e meditazioni della passione del Signore.

