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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
of Lent  
March 30<sup>th</sup>,  
2025**

*Be reconciled to God.  
(2 Corinthians 5:20)*

These four words from St. Paul are a great summary of what Lent is all about. But just what does it mean to “be reconciled to God” (2 Corinthians 5:20)?

For Paul, reconciliation with God meant to *be restored to God's favor*. He taught that we have all turned away from God through sin, but that in Christ, God has brought us back. By coming into this world as a man and offering himself on the cross, Jesus has repaired the breach in our relationship with God. He has done something we could never do on our own. “All this,” Paul wrote, “is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ” (2 Corinthians 5:18). Now the Lord asks us to receive the favor he holds out to us.

And what favor it is! We can live as sons and daughters of God; we can experience all the riches of heaven filling our hearts. Sin might cloud our relationship with him, but our heavenly Father continues to offer us his mercy. It's as if we hear God calling out to us personally as we read Paul's words.

We can hear our Father's pleas in today's Gospel story of the prodigal son, too. The father of the prodigal stands ready, on the lookout, to welcome his wayward younger son back into the family. And he goes out to beg his resentful older son to join him and experience the fullness of life that is already his.

Lent is a perfect season to lay hold of this restoration in a new and deeper way. And what better way to do it than through the Sacrament of Reconciliation! The examination of conscience on page 74 can help you prepare to receive this sacrament with an open heart. So let your heavenly Father restore you through the life-giving power of Jesus' death and resurrection. Listen to his voice as he pleads with you to receive all the riches of his “home.” It's all there-come and receive it!

*“Lord, I say yes to the reconciliation you offer me!”*  
(Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)



**Coffee Sunday**

Our Coffee Sunday will be held on April 6<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30am Mass in the parish hall. All are welcome!



**Day of Confessions**

**Parish Lent Confessions: Mon. April 7<sup>th</sup> 7 - 8:30 pm**

*Daily Confessions:* Monday to Saturday from 7:30am to 8am. *Saturday:* 4:00 to 4:45 pm. *First Friday of the month:* from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment. Click to see [Lent, Holy Week & Easter Schedule](#)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**March 31<sup>st</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Mon., March 31<sup>st</sup>, St. Benjamin**

Antonio Bonadie

Mere Des Roses

For healing & Special Intention

We pray for all deceased specially those in our community who passed away this month: Edward Healy, Giuseppina Galati and Pasqua Marcoccia.

**Tues., April 1<sup>st</sup>, St. Hugh**

Maria Vetro

Vincenzo & Ida Gerasolo

Gus Calderone

**Wed., April 2<sup>nd</sup>, St. Francis of Paola**

Antonio & Maria Meffe & Perrino & Meffe Families

Maria Bellissimo

Sr. Claudia

**Thur., April 3<sup>rd</sup>, St. Richard**

Ernesto & Maria Arturi

Donato & Lina Mideo

Rossana & Joe Mossa

**Fri., April 4<sup>th</sup>, St. Isidore**

Emilia Scalera

Maria Anna Horn

Michael Juby

**Eucharistic Adoration 3-5pm followed by 5pm Mass**

**Fri., March 4<sup>th</sup> - 7pm:**

Stations of the Cross

**Sat., April 5<sup>th</sup>, St. Vincent Ferrer**

Gianluca Primucci

Siena Margani

Pierina Arturi



**Our Journey Lent Holy week and Easter**

**\*\*NEW\*\* Half Hour**

Program on [Radiomaria.ca](http://Radiomaria.ca)

Thursday at 9 pm or

Saturday at 2 pm.

Kindly click [On Air Live /](#)

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Please join parishioners Mariangela and Nick

**Part 1** – Discussing Lent and Easter: Choosing to have a deeper prayer life with God. Focusing on the necessary thing in Lent, to know Jesus intimately. We recap our Lenten journey towards Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus.

**Part 2** – the Prayer portion we recite the Stations of the Cross, Jesus on the Via Crucis. Words to mediate on Prayer Fasting, Almsgiving, Conversion, Passion and Resurrection.





**LITTLE SAINTS** - for students in Grades 2 - 4 Meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month @ 6:45 – 8 PM in the parish hall.

**EDGE – Raising Saints** - for students in Grades 5 - 8 Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm.

**THE SAINTS – Pizza Nights** - for students in Grades 9-12 Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session April 4. *Please confirm attendance at [1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com)*



**Formation Sessions  
at All Saints:**

We invite the parish community to our Faith Formation Sessions held in the parish hall. **Title: Confirmation - Presenter: Fr. Michael Mascarenhas** - Sunday, March 30 from 4-5 pm



**Pre-Registration for  
Sacraments 2025-2026**

(Baptism children ages 4 to 7, First Communion & Confirmation) opens May 1<sup>st</sup> to Aug. 30. <https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/sacramental-preparation/>



**Palm Sunday April 12 & 13** at all the Masses (except the 8 AM), we will be asking all the children to come up and be part of the Palm Sunday Entrance Procession. They will enter before the Procession,

waving palms.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE (13 days trip):**

Parish pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France visiting Fatima & Lourdes departing October 14, 2025 is almost sold out! If you are thinking of joining this group, please do so as soon as possible. We have 2 seats left out of a group of 45. Call Henry at International Heritage Tours 647-272-2811 to reserve your spot. A \$300 deposit required.

**All Saints' Virtual Recommendations for April 2025  
Perspectives on Current Events that Impact our Faith**

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Access current and past recommendations here:

<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/our-ministries/outreach/virtual-recommendations/>

Like the forgiving father of Luke's Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness and calls us to a life of holiness.

Where are you at home? Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or visit [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



**This weekend  
is ShareLife  
Sunday**

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. But ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. From children to seniors, and everyone in between, more than 40 ShareLife agencies are there each step of the way.

As a family of faith, we lift each other up from our lowest moments. Nick's life had an easy start – he came from a good home, where he was raised with a strong work ethic, and he welcomed a son. But living with a mental illness, he struggled more than some. Deep inside, he felt like something was missing, and he devastatingly fell into addiction. With your helping hand, he rose up through the DARE Program at Good Shepherd.

"By the grace of God, I am still alive," he proclaims. "I'd love to be able to give back what was so freely given to me. I am taking roles of service, giving back as much as I can. I was afraid I'd never be able to feel the way I feel. I am very grateful that I have been given this opportunity to be sober." Thanks to your support, he is no longer just surviving—he is thriving, with a heart full of hope and a future filled with promise.

Our parish goal this year is **\$161,000.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at <https://sharelife.org/donate/>



**Join us! Chess Fun Time**

**at All Saints Church (Hall)**

**Drop-in & Board Games OPEN TO  
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**Tuesdays:** April 1, 8 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm

**Saturdays:** April 12 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm.



Contact Carmela [carmelacieri@gmail.com](mailto:carmelacieri@gmail.com)

**Volunteers Welcome**

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Update**



**Our inaugural Bundle-Up**

**Weekend was a huge**

**success!! The BIN was packed to capacity. Thank you to the**

**All Saints' community for looking after our neighbours in need!! We plan to do this**

**again next year. Let us know what you**

**think. Lenten Blessings to all** ♥

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