



EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS | SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

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In the first reading, the people complain against God and Moses, so the Lord punishes them by sending a plague of saraph serpents. Then God heals his people of the plague by instructing Moses to make a serpent and mount it on a pole. Anyone who looks at the serpent will be healed. In the second reading, Paul writes of Christ who emptied himself, becoming obedient even to death. In the Gospel, Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man must be lifted up like the serpent in the desert so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

SUNDAY WEEKLY COLLECTION



Our regular offertory collection, for last week was **\$2,770.40**. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.

SACRED HEART CANDLE



This week's candle is being offered for the repose of the souls of **Hyacinth Joyce, Wilbert, Romauld, Rudolph & Rinaldo Martineau, and Hyacinth Louisa Mohammed**. If you would like to offer your intentions by purchasing the candle next to the Sacred Heart, please call the office to arrange. The candle will be lit from Saturday until Friday.

MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS

Each month, we offer a special Memorial Mass in remembrance of our beloved departed, especially those marking a significant anniversary of their passing (e.g., one month, one year, ten years). Our next Monthly Memorial Mass will take place on **Friday, September 26, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.** If you would like to have your loved one included in this special community Mass, please contact the parish office. The **suggested offering is \$25**. Thank you for giving us the honor of praying for your loved ones as a parish family.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CLASSES

COMING SOON!

Please be on the lookout for more details coming soon about upcoming **First Holy Communion and Confirmation classes for children in Grades 2 and 7**. We're excited to support our youth and families in their faith journey. Stay tuned for dates, registration info, and more!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS UPDATE



The parish office will be closed **every Tuesday**. New Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM; Thursday: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM; Closed for lunch daily: 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you thinking about becoming Roman Catholic? Are you baptized but have not yet received the sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation, or Confirmation? You may be interested in joining our RCIA Program. The RCIA program is for adults (and children 7 years or older) who are:

- Unbaptized and wishing to become Catholic
- Baptized Roman Catholics wishing to receive the sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation, and Confirmation
- Baptized in another Christian tradition wishing to be in full communion with the Catholic Church

For more information or to register, send us an email at stclaresto@archtoronto.org or call the parish office at 416-654-7087. Our RCIA **weekly sessions will begin on Monday, September 22, 2025.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help with Sunday School. If you're interested, please contact the parish office and leave us your name, phone number, and email address. Thank you for supporting our children's faith formation!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations to Our Newly Married Couple:

ANDRÉ BRITO FIGUEIREDO + JESSICA NICOLE RASSETTA

May Almighty God bless and sustain them in their life and may we keep them in our prayers.

SHARELIFE

ShareLife From the heart of the Church – Food Security Grants to fight hunger. As food insecurity worsens across the GTA, ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT), and two generous anonymous donors, have pledged a combined \$800,000 in Food Security Grants for 2025—building on previous commitments of \$500,000 in 2023 and \$750,000 in 2024. Living the Gospel means caring for those who are hungry and vulnerable every single day. This is why we need your help to reach our parish goal. We have currently raised **\$28,778.35** towards our suggested goal of **\$33,000.00**. Please help fight hunger through sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your kind generosity!



ESALTAZIONE DELLA SANTA CROCE | 14 SETTEMBRE 2025



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

12:30 – WEDDING: Andre Figueiredo & Jessica Rasetta

5:00 – Pro Popolo

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

10:00 – † Bryan Bradley, Giuseppe Lista, Gino Della Pia, Diego Failla, Antonio Ricci, Giuseppe & Elena Ricci, Mariano & Olympia Ricci, Francesca Lauricella

12:00 – † Adele Ross

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9:00 – Pro Popolo

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 – OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 – † Fernando Santos

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:00 – † Angelina Raviele, Luigi Marro

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 – † Pina Venditti

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9:00 – Pro Popolo

1:00 – WEDDING: Nicholas Fraser Buccione & Cindy Vanessa Paredes Bonilla

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

1:30 – WEDDING: Wilson Manuel Medeiros Carreiro & Maegan Grace Bautista

5:00 – † Alfonsus, Dorothy, Michael, and John O'Leary, Raul Dionisio, Roy Harris

COLLEZIONE SETTIMANALE DOMENICA



La nostra collezione regolare, per l'offertorio della scorsa settimana, è stata **\$ 2,770.40** dollari. Grazie per il vostro costante supporto e generosità!

CANDELA DEL SACRO CUORE



La candela di questa settimana viene offerta per il riposo dell'anima di **Hyacinth Joyce, Wilbert, Romauld, Rudolph & Rinaldo Martineau, and Hyacinth Louisa Mohammed**. Se desideri offrire le tue intenzioni per la candela accanto al Sacro Cuore, chiama l'ufficio per organizzare. La candela verrà accesa da sabato a venerdì.

ESALTAZIONE DELLA SANTA CROCE

Nella prima lettura, il popolo si lamenta contro Dio e Mosè, così il Signore li punisce inviando una piaga di serpenti saraceni. Poi Dio guarisce il suo popolo dalla piaga ordinando a Mosè di fare un serpente e di metterlo su un'asta. Chiunque guardi il serpente sarà guarito. Nella seconda lettura, Paolo scrive di Cristo che svuotò se stesso, facendosi obbediente fino alla morte. Nel Vangelo, Gesù dice a Nicodemo che il Figlio dell'uomo deve essere innalzato come il serpente nel deserto, affinché chiunque crede in lui abbia la vita eterna.

UFFICIO CHIUSO



L'ufficio parrocchiale sarà chiuso ogni martedì.

Nuovi orari di ufficio: lunedì, mercoledì, venerdì: 10:00 - 17:00; giovedì: 13:30 - 17:00; chiuso per pranzo tutti i giorni: 12:30 - 13:00.

MESSA COMMEMORATIVA MENSILE

Ogni mese celebriamo una speciale Messa in memoria dei nostri cari defunti, in particolare di coloro che ricordano un anniversario significativo della loro nascita al Cielo (ad esempio: un mese, un anno, dieci anni). La nostra prossima Messa Commemorativa Mensile si terrà **venerdì 26 settembre 2025 alle 19:00**. Se desiderate includere un vostro caro in questa celebrazione comunitaria, vi invitiamo a contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale. **L'offerta suggerita è di 25 dollari**. Grazie per averci affidato il privilegio di pregare per i vostri cari come famiglia parrocchiale.

SHARELIFE



Dal cuore della Chiesa: sovvenzioni per la sicurezza alimentare per combattere la fame. Con l'aggravarsi dell'insicurezza alimentare nella GTA, ShareLife, le Catholic Charities dell'Arcidiocesi di Toronto (CCAT) e due generosi donatori anonimi hanno promesso un totale di 800.000 dollari in sovvenzioni per la sicurezza alimentare per il 2025, aggiungendosi ai precedenti impegni di 500.000 dollari nel 2023 e 750.000 dollari nel 2024. Vivere il Vangelo significa prendersi cura di coloro che soffrono la fame e sono vulnerabili ogni singolo giorno. Ecco perché abbiamo bisogno del vostro aiuto per raggiungere l'obiettivo della nostra parrocchia. Attualmente abbiamo raccolto **\$28,778.35** dollari rispetto al nostro obiettivo suggerito di **\$33,000.00** dollari. Aiutateci a combattere la fame tramite sharelife.org/donate o donando presso la nostra parrocchia utilizzando una busta ShareLife. Grazie per la vostra generosità!