

CANADIAN MARTYRS CHURCH



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Weekday Masses		Weekend Masses	
Tuesday	9:00am	Saturday	5:00pm
Thursday	9:00am	Sunday	12:30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation			
First Thursday: 9:30am to 10:00am		Saturday 4:00pm to 4:30pm	
For any other day: by appointment only			
<u>Baptism:</u> By appointment and after an interview with the parents.			
<u>Marriage:</u> Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.			
<u>Care of the sick:</u> Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.			
<u>New Parishioners:</u> Registration Form is available in the vestibule of the church, in the parish office or on the website.			
Canadian Martyrs School: 416-393-5251			
Principal: Nathalie Bangala			
Address: 520 Plains Rd, East York, ON M4C 2Z1			

Daily Mass Readings for Sunday, June 21 2026
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jeremiah 20.10-13
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35
Second Reading: Romans 5.12-15
Gospel: Matthew 10.26-33 – Whom to Fear

MASS INTENTIONS

June	Mass For	Requested by
22, Mon – 9am	NO MASS	
23, Tue - 9am	All parishioners & visitors	
24, Wed – 9am	HOLY CROSS CHURCH	
25, Thurs – 9am	All parishioners & visitors	
26, Fri – 9am	HOLY CROSS CHURCH	
27, Sat – 5pm	All parishioners & visitors	
28, Sun - 12:30pm	+ Cathy Betsworth	Bill Betsworth and family

****Prayerful reflection on Scripture****

Be not Afraid



Do not be afraid!” These words from Jesus in today’s Gospel should be a source of reassurance for all of His stewards. These same words were echoed by St. John Paul II

at his inaugural homily as Pope. He said, “Brothers and sisters, do not be afraid to welcome Christ and accept his power. Help the Pope and all those who wish to serve Christ and with Christ’s power to serve the human person and the whole of mankind. Do not be afraid. Open wide the doors for Christ.”

As stewards of Christ, it is easy to succumb to various fears. The fear of financial burdens, family

crises, health complications as well as the spiritual fear of not being a “good” enough disciple. It is to these fears and more that Jesus, and St. John Paul II, says to be not afraid.

But how do we fight these temptations of fear? We fight them through prayer and trust in God. Whenever fears or worries take hold of our lives, whenever we doubt the fruits or importance of our stewardship, let us run to prayer. It is in those quiet moments before the Lord that He will slowly reveal His love for us which “casts out fear” (1 John 4:18). Let us take

a moment today to intentionally pray to God, asking Him to fill us with greater trust in His goodness.

Summary: Jesus in today's Gospel, as well as St. John Paul II throughout his pontificate, encourages us to "be not afraid!" In our lives as followers of Christ and stewards many fears and worries may begin to take hold of us. Let us strive to fight these fears through the power of prayer and daily grow in greater trust in God. <https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship>

Prayer:

Lord Jesus,

Free me from fear and help me trust in Your loving care. Remind me that I am precious in Your sight and never forgotten by You. Give me the courage to live and speak as Your faithful disciple each day. Amen.



**Thank you to all who helped with Fr. Claudio
Farewell and for all you do!**

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank everyone who worked so hard to make Fr.

Claudio's farewell celebration such a beautiful and memorable occasion. Special thanks to Rosela Cortina, Elaine Kelly, Christina Doobay, Vicky Simone, and Lanie Bitendzadeh for organizing the event, and to Rico De Leon our custodian, Danny Selga, and all parishioners who helped prepare the venue, clean the church, cook food, and assist in countless ways. We are also grateful to everyone who donated food, volunteered their time, organized activities, and shared their talents through performances. Your generosity and loving service made this celebration truly meaningful.

We were blessed to celebrate a beautiful Thanksgiving Mass in honor of Fr. Claudio, enriched by the dedication of Ms. Mary Quinagon together with the Holy Cross Choir, CMC altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, and all who participated. The joyful reception that followed allowed us to share food, laughter, and cherished memories together.

Though Fr. Claudio's time with us was brief, he touched many lives through his compassion, faith, and dedication to God's people. His ministry inspired us to trust in the Lord and live out the Gospel with courage and humility.

Fr. Claudio, thank you for your guidance, prayers, friendship, and faithful witness to Christ. As you begin this new chapter, please know that you remain in our hearts and prayers. May God continue to bless, strengthen, and guide you always.



MISSION APPEAL 2026 (Disciples of Mary)

We sincerely thank all parishioners and visitors for your generous donations to the Mission Co-op Appeal last Sunday. Your support and prayers will help further the mission's work and bring hope to those in need. May God bless you abundantly for your kindness and generosity.

Financial Report

May	Amount
Offertory	\$ 3,754.60
Building Funds	\$ 747.00
ShareLife	\$ 1,016.00
Mission Coop	\$ 1,117.05
Mass Offering	\$ 180.00
Votive Candles	\$ 252.80
Mary Grove	\$ 159.00
Pastoral Works	\$ 15.00