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Lectors

Music Ministry

Ushers - Ministers of Hospitality

Welcome Committee

Youth Ministry

PASTOR

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 am – Noon

Tuesday 1:00pm – 7:00 pm

Wednesday – 9:30am – 3:00pm

Friday 9:30am - 3:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 11:00am

Tuesday 7:00pm

Wednesday 9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

Friday 9:00 am

Saturday 9:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday – 9:30am – 10:30am

Friday 9:30am – 4:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Friday 4:00pm – 5:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 am to 10:30 am

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the Parish Office
one year in advance.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The Lord is near to all who call on Him.”

Sunday, September 20th

CATHOLIC LAND MOVEMENT – PORT PERRY GTA

All are welcome and families are encouraged to attend our Catholic Land Movement Port Perry GTA Inaugural Chapter Event on **Saturday, September 26th at 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, which will include fellowship with a Potluck and a workshop on “Milling Your Own Flour” and “Sourdough Breadmaking.” The Catholic Land Movement (CLM) is a laity-led initiative that supports Catholic families who have a desire for rural living and acquiring homesteading skills (e.g.: beekeeping, food preservation, gardening/seed saving, milling wood, animal husbandry, salves and soap making), in order to live a more self-sufficient lifestyle. The CLM is a renewal of family, faith, and community life. It has growing ecclesiastical support, including most recently, an Apostolic Blessing from the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV. Praise God!

Please R.S.V.P. to Carolyn at CLMPortPerry@gmail.com.

RESTORE HIS HOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Restore His House Capital Campaign
September 13th, 2026 Update
Total Fundraising Goal - \$750,000
Gifted and Pledged to Date - \$370,000

LIFE CHAIN

Please join us for one hour on behalf of the pre-born by taking part in Life Chain on **Sunday, October 4th from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.** in front of our parish as a peaceful pro-life event. The Life Chain has taken place annually across Canada for 35 years. We will gather in front of the church to distribute banners and go over the simple procedures of prayerful conduct.

WEEKLY DONATIONS – September 13th, 2026

• Total Donations	\$ 4,080.00
• Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,870.00
• Maintenance	\$ 190.00
• ShareLife	\$ 5.00
• Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 5.00
• Canadian Missions	\$ 5.00
• Mary Grove	\$ 5.00

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

September 26th/27th – Needs of the Church in Canada



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Upcoming Events

- General Meeting – September 22nd at 7:30 p.m.

KNIGHTS' WELCOME BBQ

There will be a Welcome BBQ for all Knights, their families, and for any men (and their families) considering joining our council. ALL men of our parish and their families are

welcome!!! **Sunday, September 20th from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.** - hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, corn, and desserts - at the home of (Grand Knight) John and Marg Peco, 3250 Bradburn Road, Blackstock. EVERYONE is WELCOME. Please RSVP to mjohn.peco@gmail.com.



I.C. WOMEN'S AUXILIARY GROUP

Upcoming Events

- Coffee Sunday - September 20th after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses

W.A.G.'S COOKBOOKS

We have 43 cookbooks available for sale. Cookbooks are \$25 each. All proceeds will go towards Restore His House. Parishioners can purchase cookbooks weekdays during office hours. The cookbook is dedicated to Anne Marie Taillon. These would make a great host/hostess Thanksgiving gift or as a part of your Christmas gift giving!

PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE

Kim Smith, Christopher Dupont, Fred Jennings, John Brock, Veronica Kirk, Patricia Reilly, James Albert, Juan Diego Jimenez Mendez, Joseph Taillon, Becky B. Joyce and Henry Janssen, Paul Philip, Mary Jane G., David Scott, Fr. Christopher Reynolds



URGENT NEED FOR USHERS

We currently have an urgent need for ushers for the 11 a.m. Mass. If you are willing to assist us with this ministry or would like more information, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA: SUPPORTING BISHOPS IN THEIR PASTORAL MISSION ACROSS THE COUNTRY

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on the weekend of **September 26th and 27th**. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the Collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

O.C.I.A. (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

If you or someone you know in our community would like to enter the Catholic faith, please contact the parish office. Registration forms are now available. Sessions will begin in January. Catholic adults who have not yet celebrated their First Eucharist or the Sacrament of Confirmation, are encouraged to also take part.

YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

Our Youth Ministry Program will resume in October for students in grades 7-12.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – EVENT SET-UP & TAKEDOWN

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up and take down tables and chairs before and after parish events (e.g.: funeral receptions, parish dinners, etc.).

If you are able to assist, please contact the parish office to have your name added to a list of volunteers.

REQUEST FOR ALTAR SERVERS

We are currently seeking additional altar servers to assist at all Sunday Masses, as well as an adult volunteer to help lead this important ministry. A training session for both current and new servers, along with a schedule will be forthcoming.

Any child who has received their First Holy Communion and is interested in serving, is invited to contact the parish office for a volunteer form.

WELCOME COMMITTEE MEMBER NEEDED

This is a very straightforward role requiring little time: sending out approximately five welcome letters twice per year to new parishioners, with a follow-up phone call. We provide the standard letter and instructions to you. You are responsible for two months per year. Very easy, but important work. Please email judifunnell92@gmail.com

PASTORAL REFERENCE LETTER FOR TEACHERS

Teachers seeking pastoral reference letters for employment with a Catholic school board are reminded that you must be a practicing Catholic. Any requests need to be made to Fr. Silva one year in advance.

COME & SEE WEEKEND DISCERNMENT RETREAT

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on **Friday, November 6th (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 8th (2 p.m.)**. This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

SHARELIFE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY ON OCTOBER 3RD

ShareLife's 50th anniversary celebration continues! Join us on **Saturday, October 3rd**, at St. Augustine's Seminary. Doors will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tour the beautiful and historic seminary, meet representatives from ShareLife-funded agencies and see how your kindness helps our brothers and sisters in need.

This event is free! To help us prepare for your visit, please register by **Friday, September 25**. Registration link can be found in sharelife.org/50. For any inquiries, please contact us at SLEvent@archtoronto.org

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Online webinar on Zoom

All are welcome to join this free webinar hosted by the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Participants will learn about:

- How to avoid problems in your Will, Powers of Attorney, and Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own Catholic legacy
- Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals.



To register:

1. Scan the QR code:
2. Or visit qrco.de/WebSep26
3. You may also register by email by contacting Development@ArchToronto.org. Please write **"Webinar September 26"** in the subject line and include your name in the body of the message.

ELECTRONIC PARISH BULLETIN

Please consider having our parish bulletin sent directly to your email each week if you have not already done so. This will help

us greatly reduce our printing costs. To sign up, please follow the link below:

<https://immaculateconceptionpo.archtoronto.org/en/contactus/sign-up/>

Instructions:

<https://immaculateconceptionpo.archtoronto.org/sites/sets/bulletins/parish-e-bulletin-sign-upinstructions.pdf>

PARISH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Office Open – Monday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday – 1:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

ROSARY TO PRECEDE EVERY MASS BY 30 MINUTES.

Weekday Masses

Monday – 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 9:00 a.m.

Thursday – 9:00 a.m.

Friday – 9:00 a.m.

Adoration – 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Holy Hour - Friday - 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - Saturday 9:25 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Saturday 9:30 a.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS – Week of September 20th

Monday, September 21st

11:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Zach Adams

Req. by Anonymous

Tuesday, September 22nd

7:00 p.m. Mass - +Fedele Gesualdo

Req. by Maria Gesualdo

Wednesday, September 23rd

9:00 a.m. Mass - +Manuel Antonio Pacheco

Req. by Alice Mandi

Thursday, September 24th

9:00 a.m. Mass - +Ed and Leona Canal

Req. by Emilie Lemieux

Friday, September 25th

9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, September 26th

9:00 a.m. Mass – Intentions of Patti Reilly

Req. by Mike Reilly

5:00 p.m. Mass – Intentions of the Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish

Sunday, September 27th

9:00 a.m. Mass – +To Overgoor

Req. by the Taillon Family

11:00 a.m. Mass – +Intentions of Xena Gangwani

Req. by Robert and Ellie LeBlanc



**Homily of His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto
Stewardship Sunday - 20 September 2026**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

Praised be Jesus Christ.

Today is Stewardship Sunday which is observed annually across the Archdiocese of Toronto on the third Sunday of September. The parable which our blessed Lord taught, at first glance doesn't appear to be about stewardship at all. It seems to be about a vineyard, odd hiring practices, and unfair wages. But if we listen closely, we discover it is really about how we live and experience what has been entrusted to us.

Notice how the parable unfolds. The landowner goes out again and again: early morning, mid-morning, noon, afternoon, even the eleventh hour. God does not call us once; there are a series of invitations throughout life. Stewardship, then, is listening to these grace-filled invitations and being faithful to the hour we are in.

The trouble begins when the early workers stop living in their present moment. They measure their whole day against someone else's final hour. Comparison pulls them away from their own call and blinds them to the situation of others; namely the late workers. Those who waited in the marketplace until the final hour were not on vacation; they were unwanted, passed over. Anyone who has been unemployed knows the pain of being overlooked and the fear of not having what it takes, not having the basic necessities of life. Imagine their joy and relief when they received the "usual daily wage". The "wage" given is not their pay for an hour's labour—it is mercy and a restoration of dignity and underscores God's generosity and providential care for us.

One great danger of the spiritual life, and indeed our entire walk of faith, is not only that *we fail to welcome and receive what we have been given*—our attention shifts to someone or something else. We can labour in the vineyard for years and still drift into resentment, routine, or quiet calculation. We may be faithful outwardly yet wonder: "Why is my life harder? Why do others have more with less effort?" When those questions take root, stewardship collapses—not because we stop working, but because we stop trusting. Our focus shifts from God's presence and grace to ourselves and the limitations of our heart.

Back to the story, the landowner answers plainly: "Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?" In other words: Was what I gave you not enough? Stewardship is not maximizing output or returns; it is about remaining faithful to what God gives now and finding ways to share even more. The early workers received a full day's wage in the vineyard, but by looking elsewhere they turned a gift into a curse.

When we see our work, families, friendships, and daily responsibilities not as places of divine encounters where grace unfolds, but as burdensome obligations to painstakingly endure, we lose sight of God's presence, love and action – not to mention of one another. Fellow labourers become competitors, burdens, or strangers, and we begin imagining that grace is elsewhere—in another hour, another calling, another life.



Grace, God's love, presence and action in and around us is located in the present call, in the here and now. This is deeply freeing. Stewardship is not constructing a perfect life of service; it is fidelity to the hour we are living—being present to the One who is ever loving, present and active in my life and surroundings.

When we are present to God, intentionally and loving, generosity follows abundantly. The vineyard is not abstract; it is here—in our parish, our homes, and the quiet responsibilities that fill our days. God places us beside one another with different gifts and burdens. Part of stewardship is receiving our own call and also recognizing, honouring, and making room for the call of another.

Being present to graces offered asks, “What is being asked of me right now?” rather than “How much should I give?”. We are moved not by comparison, but compassion; not by obligation, but love. The Master goes out repeatedly to call workers, marking the day with divine initiative. Each hour—early or late—spent in the vineyard is time with him, and no moment is spiritually insignificant as Gerard Manley Hopkins wrote: “The world is charged with the grandeur of God.”

To remain. To abide. To accept the hour given without comparison. To trust the Lord who calls us, even when we don't understand. This is the Gospel's quiet invitation today: return to the present moment and receive the concrete reality of your life again—not as something to measure, but as something entrusted. In the end, the wage is not the point. The gift is that we are invited to live, work, rejoice, give thanks, and love in the presence of the Lord and Master— in the end, he himself is the true gift.

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