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**SUNDAY EUCHARIST**  
Saturday: 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
Monday to Saturday: 9:05 a.m.

**FIRST FRIDAY:**  
Exposition 9:30 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**BAPTISM**  
Please contact the Pastor at least two months before the proposed date.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**  
Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**  
Please let us know if you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Upon request, Communion will be brought to the sick and shut-ins.

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**PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL**

# Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 8, 2024

YEAR B

## FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Sept 9: St. Peter Claver, *priest*  
Thrs. Sept. 12: Most Holy Name of Mary  
Fri. Sept. 13: St. John Chrysostom, *bishop, doctor*  
Sat.. Sept. 14: The Exaltation of the Cross  
Sun. Sept 15: 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



*The firstfruits of hope*  
(Rom 8:19-25)

## TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

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September 1- October 4

The annual event of Season of Creation began September 1, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends on October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology. Each year an ecumenical steering committee selects a theme. This year's theme is "To hope and act with Creation" and the symbol is "The first fruits of hope," inspired by Romans 8:19-25.

An introductory video and resources to observe this season at home, church and school may be found at the following links:

**RESOURCES:** <https://drive.google.com/file/d/12M3weSD4D2mvjCil3Mxen3JQZ5Rrazz3/view>

**VIDEO:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLI5cT-56Yk>

*In the letter of Paul the apostle to the Romans, the biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the Earth as our sister and our mother in his Canticle of Creatures. The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used.*

*And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles. Just as in childbirth, we go through a period of intense pain, but new life springs forth.*



## MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Sept. 9 - Sun. Sept 15

### Monday 9:05 a.m.

Maria Connor (RIP)

*Req. by Frances McKee*

### Tuesday 9:05 a.m.

Deceased members of the  
Dias and Clementino Families (RIP)

*Req. by R.C.*

### Saturday 7 p.m.

Jardelina Melo and Manuel Umbelina (RIP)

*Req. by Their Children*

### Sunday 9 a.m.

Cecilia Fernano and Stetenbro Family (RIP)

*Req. by Celia Franca*

### Sunday 11 a.m.

Frank Frendo (RIP)

*Req. by Helen and Fred Frendo*



## Sunday Adoration

THIS Sunday

September 8th, 2024  
after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.



## MARIAN PRAYER GROUP

The Marian Prayer Group meets on Mondays in the Church from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Everyone is Welcome!



## DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Catholic Moms Group Leadership Breakfast & Summit  
Saturday, September 14, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
The Old Mill, 21 Old Mill Rd. (Old Mill Subway)

Speakers include:

### **Teresa Hartnett, *Women of the Church:* *Leaders Showing US the Way!***

This talk will use the example of God-given inspirational women saints to help you grow in your leadership role. Teresa Hartnett (M.R.E.) is in her 20th year as Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton and teaches for both St. Peter's Seminary and the Halton Catholic School Board's Staff Religion courses. **Alexandra Zyla, *Brick by Brick - 3 Tips to Build Your Catholic Moms Group*** Alexandra will share her experience getting involved with the ministry and how her parish group functions. Alexandra is a Catholic wife and mother and her husband is a Ukrainian Catholic. They have created a bi-ritual home for their kids.

**INFO:** [info@CatholicMomsGroup.com](mailto:info@CatholicMomsGroup.com)

**REGISTER:** [www.CatholicMomsGroup.com](http://www.CatholicMomsGroup.com)

## PLANNED GIVING & PERSONAL GIFTS

A bequest in your Will to our church is an acknowledgment of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime. Charitable bequests can have a favourable impact on your overall estate plan. Bequests are NOT just for the wealthy! Consider including your parish or any of the archdiocesan charities or departments in your Will. Let your Will reflect your Catholic values. We have a free estate planning guide to help you make your plan. The Archdiocese of Toronto also maintains a list of advisors across the GTA who are available to assist in your estate planning and the preparation of a Will. Please contact us at: [Development@archtoronto.org](mailto:Development@archtoronto.org) for a list of Catholic estate advisors in your area.

## SHARELIFE

### ***Answer the call to compassion***

100,000 people in Toronto are expected to turn to food charities for the first time in 2024. Through our parish's support, ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto, and a generous anonymous donor are committing \$750,000 to fund food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese. Reaching our parish campaign goal will help to make these grants possible. We have currently raised **\$38,808.85** towards our suggested goal of **\$63,500.00** Please help combat hunger at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion.



## OFFERTORY

To be reported next week  
Thank you for your generosity!



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Details for the sacramental programmes for 2024-2025 will be announced at Mass and posted on our website next week. They will also be communicated to our parish schools. Please be reminded that Sacramental preparation is to take place in your **home** parish.

***If St. Cecilia Parish is not your parish, please contact your home parish as soon as possible regarding their sacramental programmes as their registration may be underway.***

## CHORISTERS WANTED!

The parish choir invites people of all ages with an interest in singing to join the choir. All experience levels are welcome! Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7 p.m. and the choir sings at the 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays. For more information, please contact Choir director Peter Treen: 416 760 4416, [peterstreen@hotmail.com](mailto:peterstreen@hotmail.com)

## WELCOME BACK COFFEE SUNDAY

September 15<sup>th</sup>

Please plan to stay after Mass NEXT weekend for treats and to catch up with fellow parishioners.  
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## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Isaiah 50.5-90*

*Psalms 116*

*James 2.14-18*

*Mark 8.27-35*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Hang Sam Lee, Richard Mijares, Drew Fiala, Connie Tari-Kornhauser, Lisa Reardon, Stuart Robson, Rosa Maria Santos, Bianca Auriemma, Rosie Po, Frank Ferreira, Antonina Koziara, Julia Collins, Mary Ann Cuschieri, Sebastian Carvalho, Anne Tran Fazzalari, Gabriel Sebastian Romano, Robert Freimuts, Giuseppe R., Mikayla Haswell, Victoria Cooper, Anna Solims, Lorenza Varga, Steven McKinney, Krysten Telfer, Edward Spiteri, Maria Rucolo, Dominic Coccimiglio, Winifred Ismail, Mimi Ashton, Ann Baby, Marta DiGregorio, Rosa Loschiavo, Anne Marie Skewes, Blossom Reid, Sophia Oppel, Timothy McNulty & Gwen Chabane*

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