

ST. NORBERT'S PARISH

BULLETIN

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SECRETARY

Raquel Reis



OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Sat: Closed

Tue – Wed - Fri

9 am to 4 pm

Lunchtime

From 12 to 1 pm

Thurs

9 am to 12 pm

First and third Sundays
of each month

9:45 am to 11:45 pm

Closed on holidays

HOLY HOUR

First Friday of the month

8:30 am mass

from 9 am to 12 pm

from 5 pm to 7:30 pm

7 pm mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Wednesday

7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

8:30 am

Saturday

5:00 pm

Sunday

9:00 am (Italian)

10:30 am

12:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4 pm – 4:30 pm
and upon appointment.

RESERVED SEATING

The first-row pews in the Church are for persons with special needs/disability and for ease when giving and receiving Holy Communion.

MEMORIAL MASS

We celebrate Memorial Masses in the Parish during a regular Mass and upon request.

BAPTISM

To baptize your child at St. Norbert's Church, it is necessary to be a registered parishioner. If attending elsewhere, you must request and bring a permission letter from your Pastor. Baptisms are held on most Saturdays at 3 pm. For more information, please contact the office or visit our website.

MARRIAGE

Please **contact the office at least one year in advance**. Weddings are held at 12 pm on most Saturdays of the month.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Call the office to arrange for our Lay Pastoral Team to visit and bring Holy Communion.

REFERENCE LETTER

Anyone seeking a letter of recommendation or reference letter, must be attending St. Norbert's Church and has volunteered in a Parish activity for at least one year. Referrals cannot be issued if we do not know you.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please visit our website and download the fillable registration form. Once the form is completed, kindly submit it to the parish office.

SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARISH

ST. NORBERT - 60 Maniza Road - 416-393-5309

ST. ROBERT - 70 Bainbridge Avenue - 416-393-5297

MADONNA - 20 Dubray Avenue - 416-393-5506

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Please call – (416) 342-7590

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

RENOVATION CAMPAIGN

Maintenance Collection (Blue envelope)

NEW STATIONS OF THE CROSS & NEW LIGHTS FOR THE CHURCH

Dear parishioners, as previously stated, we are set to embark on a new phase of our renovation project. We plan to repaint the Stations of the Cross, which are extremely worn and uncolored, following the installation of the new boiler.



We will also be changing the church's lighting system at the same time. Additional lighting for the stairs in front of the church, motion sensors in some places, and new adjustable beam LED projectors for the altar area, crucifix, tabernacle, and baptismal font.

PRAYERS FOR POPE FRANCIS

Dear parishioners as you are all aware, Pope Francis has been hospitalized for several weeks. Cardinal Leo recently asked everyone to pray for our Pope's health in a letter that was delivered to every parish. Please remember to pray for Pope Francis every day.

ST JOSEPH DAY - March 19th SPECIAL MASS FOR FATHERS @ 7 pm



The Church honors Saint Joseph, the father of Jesus and Mary's husband, on March 19. We will honor this unique event by bestowing a special blessing on every father in attendance at the Mass. Come honor St. Joseph with us!

TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2024

Tax receipts for 2024 are AVAILABLE in the parish office. You are welcome to pick it up during regular business hours. We are grateful to everyone for their generous donations.



FOOD FOR THE POOR

"I was poor and you gave me some food" Mt 25:35

As we did for Christmas last December, we will begin gathering nonperishable food for the underprivileged until Easter. When you go grocery shopping, you are encouraged to keep the poor in mind and bring your donation to church when you attend mass. Someone is going to benefit from the least you can offer. Put your contribution on the altar's front steps. Thank you!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY 7PM

Every Friday at 7 p.m. throughout Lent, we have the Stations of the Cross in the church.

Anyone can assist with reading the Stations, carrying the cross, and lighting the candles. Anyone who wants to assist must arrive at least twenty minutes before the start of the service. I strongly encourage everyone to participate in this powerful moment of prayer.



PARISH FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Colomba & Easter Egg Sales

In order to raise money for the parish's restoration efforts, we will be selling Easter eggs and Colomba after every mass on the weekends of March (22, 23, 29, and 30) and April (5 and 6). Colomba (Easter cake): \$15ea. Easter Eggs: \$10ea. To facilitate payment, please bring cash!

MAKE YOUR BUSINESS KNOWN



Contact the office if you would like to place an advertisement for your company in our parish bulletin. For one spot, the annual fee is \$300. Please assist the parish in locating

advertisers so that we can continue to publish the bulletin in color. The deadline is the 30th of March.



A Catholic Charities agency supported by ShareLife

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

The ShareLife Campaign has returned, and we continue to rely on your generosity to support those in need. \$22,000 is the target amount set by the archbishop for our parish. Beginning on March 30th, the campaign runs through the end of the year. You can use envelopes in the parish or donate online. If you don't have an envelope box, you can apply for one or pick up a ShareLife envelope donation at the church entrance.

NEW SECRETARY



During a probatory time, Raquel Reis was appointed new secretary. Raquel has a degree in physiotherapy and was born and raised in Brazil. She eventually felt compelled to dedicate her life to evangelization. Since becoming a member of the

Shalom Catholic Community, she has been traveling the world performing pastoral service.

Raquel formerly served as a pastoral assistant at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Boston, as the communication assistant in the international office of her Community in the Vatican in Rome, and as a secretary in the Pilgrim's Office at the Shrine of Nazareth in the Holy Land. She can communicate in English, Portuguese, and Italian. She is thrilled about this new experience at St. Norbert's and loves to serve God and His Church.



DATE	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Sat, Mar 15 5 pm	+ Stefano & Esterina Martino + Robert Isidore Lavallee	Family Maria Lavallee
Sun, Mar 16 9 am	+ Sestilio & Romana Di Silvestre + Sesto Montefiore (1st Anniversary)	Wife & Daughter
Sun, Mar 16 10:30 am	+ Eze Clement Okey Dike + Deceased Family Members of Melvin Viaje & Cherry Viaje +Roxanne Hipolito	Stanley Dike Cheryl
Sun, Mar 16 12 pm	For all Parishioners (Pro Popolo)	
Tue, Mar 18 7 pm	Available	
Wed, Mar 19 7 pm	+ Nicola Mancini + Annunciata & Domenico Franzone	Mancini's family Daughter
Thurs, Mar 20 8:30 am	+ Maria Clauser	Sirge Clauser
Fri, Mar 21 8:30 am	Available	

PARISH HALL RENTING

We will resume renting the parish hall following a review of the circumstances and several requests. To rent the hall, you must meet these requirements:

1. Enter into a contract with the parish, agreeing to the terms and accepting responsibility for the usage period.
2. Cover the cost of insurance while using it.
3. In the event of use, apply for and pay for an LCBO license.
4. Only when no church events are going on, like meetings or catechism lessons, may the parish hall be rented.
5. The cost is \$280 for parishioners who have been enrolled in the parish and have been a regular contributor for at least six months.
6. There is a \$400 fee for non-parishioners (those who are not enrolled in the parish and do not regularly donate to the cause).
7. No activity that does not align with Christian Catholic values may be rented out the venue.
8. It is not possible to rent the hall for a child's birthday.

For further information call the parish office.

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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