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Sunday Masses
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am
Children's Liturgy: September - June

Weekday Masses
Tuesday 6:00 pm
Wednesday through Friday 8:30 am
Rosary/Adoration before Weekday Masses

Confessions
Sat 4 - 4:45 pm or before weekday Masses

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Sunday 12:00 pm by appointment

Marriage
Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.
Marriage preparation course required

Sacrament of the Sick
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Please call the office.

Secretary
Sandy Johnson
Office hours: Wednesday and Friday
8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Enter on Victoria St.

Schools
St. Patrick Elementary School
905-835-1091
Lakeshore Catholic High School
905-835-2451

Cemetery
Mount St. Joseph's, 712 Lakeshore Rd E
289-213-2509

Diocesan Website: www.sainted.com

Min. Schedule - Sept 20/21

Hospitality:
5:00 pm - Victor Gatt
9:00 am - Roland Belanger
11:00 am - Susan Brown

Communion:
5:00 pm - Linda Haakman
9:00 am - Susan Foebel
11:00 am - Lisa Shibley

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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Year C

For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son.

Lectors:
5:00 pm - Bettina DiGiulio
9:00 am - Tim Grawey
11:00 am - Mark Morasse

Video:
5:00 pm - Sandy MacIntyre
9:00 am - Dave Bilodeau
11:00 am - Alberty DeLaat

Organist:
5pm, 9am & 11am - Dino Sicoli

September 14, 2025 A.D. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Year C



*Lord may the request of our
people rise before you like a fragrant offering*

Tues Sept 16 St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian
6:00 pm +Joe Cassar

Wed Sept 17 8:30 am +Peter Saltarelli

Thurs Sept 18 8:30 am +Tom Maloney

Fri Sept 19 8:30 am +Camillo & Rosina Marinelli

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat Sept 20 5:00 pm +Maria Saltarelli

Sun Sept 21 9:00 am +Antonio D'Uva

11:00 am +For the living and deceased members of St. Patrick's Parish

by Tom & Carmen Lannan

by Dino & Lily Sicoli

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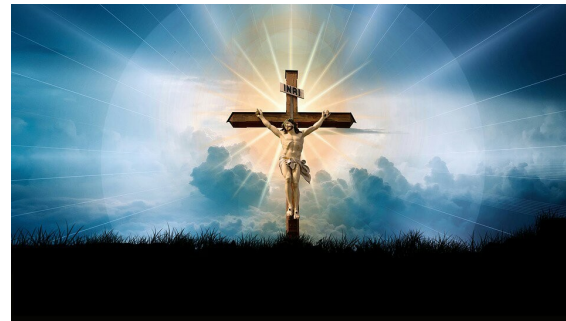
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THE CROSS = LOVE

On this Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we celebrate the Holy Cross as the instrument of our salvation. Multiple scriptural references are made of Jesus having been "hung on a tree." The reference to the Cross as a tree has a deeper meaning for us. The Cross became a life-giving tree and it turned around Adam's original sin when he ate of the tree of knowledge in the Garden of Eden.



The readings for this Feast each have a strong relationship to our appreciation and understanding of the meaning of the Cross. Numbers is the fourth Book in our Old Testament and derives its name from the historical fact that it involves two censuses taken of the Israelites during their time in the wilderness, one at the beginning of the trek and one at the end. Numbers 21 describes how the people are discouraged, and they literally speak out against God. One of the hallmarks of stewardship is trust in God, faith in the Lord, our hope in salvation through Jesus Christ. Like the Israelites, we may at times become discouraged, but we must always focus on the fact that God is there for us always, that He watches over us, and that He is our strength.

Paul presents Jesus as the ultimate example of humility. Humility is another key characteristic of a christian way of life. From His humble beginnings in a manger to the humiliation of death on the Cross, Jesus bore humility like none other. His example of humility is a standard for each of us as we approach living as a steward. St. Paul

makes reference to some of Jesus' humiliations, but it is well for us to keep in mind all the ways the Lord might have approached living among us, but He chose the more humble approach consistently, represented by His birth, the fact that he came as a baby, not as a grown adult; His willingness to be a child beholden to His parents; His humble way of teaching and addressing people; His humble approach to life in general, becoming a carpenter, a basic and useful trade; but most of all His humble acceptance of death on the Cross with all of the agony and sacrifice associated with that.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish, but might have eternal life." (John 3:16) That statement, is so full of consequence to us that we could analyze it in detail phrase by phrase. Let us just examine the opening phrase, "For God so loved the world..." We tend to filter our own understandings through the many ways a word is used and what it may mean to us. The word "love" certainly falls into that category. The love described here, the love that God feels for us, that He felt for His Son, and that was returned to Him by His Son, is a love almost beyond our comprehension. It is a complete love, shared with all and felt for all, believers and non-believers. There is no way that we can match or equal that love. It is a love beyond our ability to feel, but that is exactly what we are called to strive toward. Another word for stewardship is quite simply love - unconditional and total.

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Do you or someone you know wish to become Catholic? Have you been baptized Catholic but did not receive the other Sacraments? Have you already received all of your Sacraments but would like to grow and strengthen your Catholic faith and your love of Jesus?

If so, join our new OCIA Programme - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults.

This programme will start on September 22 and will run every week until May 21.

The Journey of Faith is not a blind walk of self-discovery. It is a **confident journey taken over a lifetime accomplishing all that God sets before us until we are conformed to the image of His Son.** (Romans 8:29) He will guide us.

You will be lead through each step of the programme every week by fellow parishioners.

Please call the office to register so course material can be purchased for you

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For more information, visit www.actscanada.org or contact:

Sandy Johnson (Women's Retreat)

905-512-5757 sandy.cj@live.com

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ST. PATRICK'S 4th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SOCIAL

Saturday September 27, 2025

Whiskey Run Golf Club

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:30 am Shotgun Start

Cost per player

Golf & ride with BBQ lunch - \$80

BBQ lunch only \$30

BBQ Lunch

**Choice of: Burger, Chicken or Sausage on a Bun
with Roasted Potato Salad and Garden Salad**

If you are interested in playing a round of golf or just for the lunch, let the parish office know before Sept 8th by email, phone call or stop into the office and we will register you. Please let us know if you want the burger, chicken or sausage for your lunch.

If you already have a 4 some arranged, let us know and we will register you with your 4 some.

**To some golfers, the
greatest handicap
is the ability to add
correctly.**

