Guardian Angels Paris

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# WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m. First Friday: 7:30 p.m. (after the 6 p.m. Holy Hour & First Friday Devotion)

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 30 minutes before Masses

# **BAPTISM IS CELEBRATED**

Only for those parishioners of this parish who are currently practicing their faith. Pre-Baptismal instructions are required.

# SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact the parish priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. This means that you must take a marriage course.

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# **PARISH MINISTRIES, COMMITTEES & LAY ORGANIZATIONS**

# LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild Altar Server Eucharist Lector Music

# **OTHER MINISTRIES**

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Marriage Preparation Course Sacramental Preparation Lay Pastoral Visitor Youth

# COMMITTEES

**Building Maintenance Collection Counters Finance Council Fundraising Committee** Joint Stewardship Council and Volunteer Screening Committee

# LAY ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Women's League Knights of Columbus Legion of Mary Rosary Apostolate

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# MASS INTENTIONS



## Sunday, April 28

9:00 a.m.+Jose A. Santos by Ligaya S. Platon10:30 a.m.+Anna Callaghan by Rosary Apostolate12:00 p.m.No Mass Intentions

Monday, April 29

7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 30

7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

#### Wednesday, May 1

7:30 a.m. Spec.Int.-Fem-Zovko by Glori Kilic +Ernesto Vicente by Vicente Family

Thursday, May 2

7:30 a.m. Spec.Int.-Gerard & Joy Del Castillo

Friday, May 3

7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions 7:00 p.m. +All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 4 5:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

#### 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

"The readings for the 5th Sunday in Easter Year B remind us of our dependence on God and each other. In the gospel Jesus explains that he is the vine and we must depend on him. The second reading also echoes this teaching.

(www.young-catholics.com)

#### THE LORD'S PROMISE:

"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you." (*Jn 15:7*)

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Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997, <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>, <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca</u>



#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of the

Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for Your church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. Amen.

# **REFLECTION ON THE 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**On the Vine** By Scott Hahn Excerpts from young-catholics.com

"In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations (see Sirach 24:17–24).

In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist.

Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His Church. Once the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life (see Matthew 7:16–20).

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness.

Jesus cautions us, however, that if we're bearing fruit, we can expect that God will "prune" us—as a gardener trims and cuts back a plant so that it will grow stronger and bear even more fruit. He is teaching us today how to look at our sufferings and trials with the eyes of faith. We need to see our struggles as pruning, by which we are being disciplined and trained so that we can grow in holiness and bear fruits of righteousness (see Hebrews 12:4–11).

We need to always remain rooted in Him, as today's Epistle tells us. We remain in Him by keeping His commandment of love, by pondering His words, letting them dwell richly in us (see Colossians 3:16), and by always seeking to do what pleases Him. In everything we must be guided by humility, remembering that apart from Him we can do nothing.

As we sing in today's Psalm, we must fulfill our vows, turning to the Lord in worship, proclaiming his praises, until all families come to know His justice in their lives."

### SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

*Feast Day: April 29 Patron of fire prevention* 

"St. Catherine of Siena was born during the outbreak of the plague in Siena, Italy on March 25, 1347. She was the 25th child born to her mother, although half of her brothers and sisters did not survive childhood. Catherine herself was a twin, but her sister did not survive infancy. Her mother was 40 when she was born. Her father was a cloth dyer.

At the age of 16, Catherine's sister, Bonaventura, died, leaving her husband as a widower. Catherine's parents proposed that he marry Catherine as a replacement, but Catherine opposed this. She began fasting and cut her hair short to mar her appearance.

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Her parents attempted to resist this move, to avoid marriage, but they were unsuccessful. Her fasting and her devotion to her family, convinced them to relent and allow her to live as she pleased. Catherine once explained that she regarded her father as a representation of Jesus and her mother as Our Lady, and her brothers as the apostles, which helped her to serve them with humility.

Despite Catherine's religious nature, she did not choose to enter a convent and instead she joined the Third Order of St. Dominic, which allowed her to associate with a religious society while living at home.

Fellow Dominican sisters taught St. Catherine how to read. Meanwhile, she lived quietly, isolated within her family home.

St. Catherine developed a habit of giving things away and she continually gave away her family's food and clothing to people in need. She never asked permission to give these things away, and she quietly put up with their criticisms.

Something changed her when she was 21. She described an experience she referred to as her "mystical marriage to Christ." There are debates over whether or not St. Catherine was given a ring with some claiming she was given a bejeweled ring, and other claiming the ring was made of Jesus's skin. St. Catherine herself started the rumor of the latter in her writings, but she was known to often claim the ring itself was invisible.

Such mystical experiences change people, and St. Catherine was no exception. In her vision, she was told to reenter public life and to help the poor and sick. She immediately rejoined her family and went into public to help people in need.

She often visited hospitals and homes where the poor and sick were found. Her activities quickly attracted followers who helped her in her mission to serve the poor and sick.

St. Catherine was drawn further into the world as she worked, and eventually she began to travel, calling for reform of the Church and for people to confess and to love God totally. She became involved in politics, and was key in working to keep city states loyal to the Pope. She was also credited with helping to start a crusade to the Holy Land. On one occasion, she visited a condemned political prisoner and was credited with saving his soul, which she saw being taken up to heaven at the moment of his death.

St. Catherine allegedly was given the stigmata, but like her ring, it was visible only to herself. She took Bl. Raymond of Capua has her confessor and spiritual director.

From 1375 onwards, St. Catherine began dictating letters to scribes. She petitioned for peace and was instrumental in persuading the Pope in Avignon to return to Rome.

She became involved in the fractured politics of her time, but was instrumental in restoring the Papacy to Rome and in brokering peace deals during a time of factional conflict and war between the Italian city states.

She also established a monastery for women in 1377 outside of Siena. She is credited with composing over 400 letters, her Dialogue, which is her definitive work, and her prayers. These works are so influential that St. Catherine would later be declared a Doctor of the Church. She is one of the most influential and popular saints in the Church.

By 1380, the 33-year-old mystic had become ill, possibly because of her habit of extreme fasting. Her confessor, Raymond, ordered her to eat, but she replied that she found it difficult to do so, and that possibly she was ill. In January of 1380, her illness accelerated her inability to eat and drink. Within weeks, she was unable to use her legs. She died on April 29, following a stroke just a week prior.

St. Catherine's feast day is April 29, she is the patroness against fire, illness, the United States, Italy, miscarriages, people ridiculed for their faith, sexual temptation, and nurses."



As a child, St. Catherine Siena had mystical experiences, seeing guardian angels of others. She was a Dominican and one of the most brilliant theological minds of her day. She continued to have visions of Christ, Mary and the Saints. She was given the Stigmata which became visible after her death.

St. Catherine's letters are considered the most brilliant writings in the history of the Catholic Church.

www.catholic.org/saints/

#### PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Saturday, May 11	Spring Dinner & Dance
Sunday, May 12	Mother's Day Roses (Youth)
Sunday, June 23	Summer BBQ
Saturday, September 22	Guardian Angels Walk
Sunday, October 13	5th Anniversary Mass -
	Parish Consecration
Sunday, October 27	International Food Festival
Saturday/Sunday, November 23/24	Bake Sale
Saturday, December 7	Christmas Concert
Saturday, February 8, 2025	Valentine's Dinner & Dance



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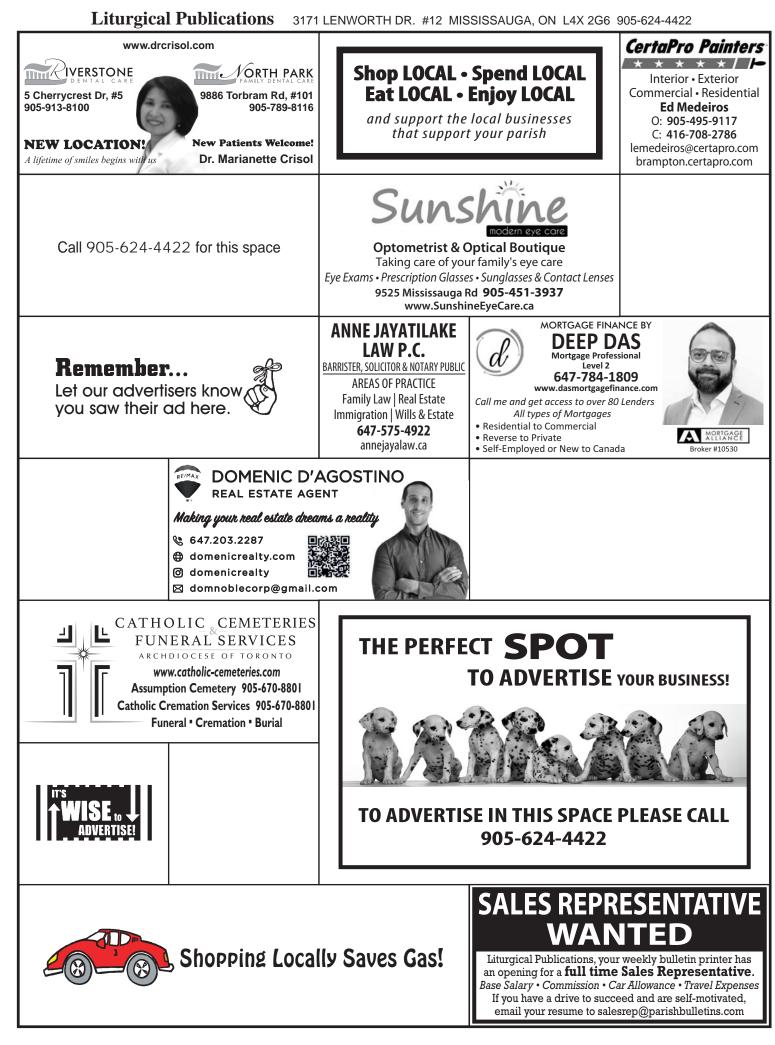
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