



WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesdays and Fridays
12:00 pm (English) -
in the main church.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

10:30am (English)
12pm (Portuguese)

The Office is opened
Tuesdays and Thursdays

DONATE for the upkeep of our building, support activities, and operations.



“...He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory....” - Second reading

2nd reflection of the 2025 Spiritual Exercises of the Roman Curia - By Fr. Roberto Pasolini, OFM Cap

The parable of the Final Judgment, narrated in the Gospel of Matthew and depicted in Michelangelo's famous fresco, is commonly interpreted as a call to charity. However, a closer analysis reveals a surprising perspective: it is not a judgment in the traditional sense but rather a declaration that unveils the reality already lived by each person.

The criterion for entering the Kingdom is not religious affiliation but concrete love for the least of our brothers and sisters, who, in the Gospel perspective, represent Christ's disciples. The primary responsibility of Christians is not merely to do good but to enable others to do so.

Moreover, the parable overturns the common understanding of judgment: both the righteous and the wicked express astonishment at the King's words, indicating that the good done among them was carried out in all naturally and without excessive attention. This suggests that access to eternal life does not depend on moral performance but on the ability to live in love without calculation.

The Catechism states that, at the end of time, the Kingdom of God will be fully revealed, transforming humanity and the cosmos into “new heavens and a new earth” (CCC 1042-1044). This hope is rooted in Christ's promise, calling us to live even now with this perspective—not with performance anxiety, but with the trust that God Himself will transform our humanity into His image and likeness, according to the plan of love that has existed from the beginning.

Jesus proclaimed eternal life not as a distant future reality but as a condition already accessible to those who listen to His word and believe in the Father (John 5:24). The Gospel invites us to recognize that eternal life has already begun; it is manifested in the way we live and love, opening ourselves to the transforming presence of God.

The true surprise of the Final Judgment will be discovering that God had no expectations of us other than recognizing ourselves fully as His children, already immersed in His eternity.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar
30

ShareLife Campaign
2025

Apr
18

Good Friday Procession at
St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Apr
05

Lenten Retreat 2025

Apr
20

Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord

**“He who trusts in himself is lost. He who trusts in God can do all things.”
- St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

Lenten Retreat 2025

The Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre invites you to the Lenten Retreat on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at 8:30 AM, for \$50, including coffee, muffins, and lunch. Mass will be held during the day.

Location: 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga, ON.

Payment: Cash, check, Visa, or MasterCard.

Information: 905-278-5229 | office@qoa.ca



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

St. Francis of Assisi Parish invites everyone to the **Good Friday Procession**, celebrating our faith and heritage, on **April 18, 2025, at 3:00 PM**. The event will take place through the streets of Toronto's Little Italy, starting at St. Francis of Assisi Church, located at the corner of Grace Street and Mansfield Avenue.



Lenten Missal – Now Available!

Strengthen your faith this Lent with prayers and inspiring reflections.

Get yours for \$15 and prepare for Easter!



Get yours today and deepen your spirituality!

Stations of the Cross during Lent

We invite everyone to the Stations of the Cross, which will take place every Friday during Lent at 11:15 AM, before the Holy Mass.

Prayers will be conducted in English and Portuguese.



Join us for this special time of reflection and prayer!

"Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless." – Saint John the Baptist de La Salle