

# St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Church

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## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	English
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	English
	10:00 a.m.	Italian
	11:30 a.m.	English (Children's Liturgy)
	3:00 pm	Ethiopian Ge'ez Mass (Fr. Binyam Yacob)

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 12:00 Noon

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

### DEVOTIONS

Wednesday	11:30 a.m.	Adoration
	12:30 p.m.	Novena: O.L. of Perpetual Help
Thursday	11:00 a.m.	Adoration
First Friday	11:30 a.m.	Adoration

### Notes:

\* Mass is celebrated at 9:00 am on weekday statutory holidays

\* All regular Masses are livestreamed via website

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples engaged to be married are kindly asked to contact the Pastor at least one year in advance.

### SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Please call the parish office to request a visit for the infirm or elderly for Holy Communion & Sacrament of the Sick.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and considering the possibility of becoming Catholic are asked to contact the Pastor or Parish office.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the office to register with our Parish.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Brigid's Elementary School: (416) 393-5235 Principal: Kevin Kerr

St. Patrick's Secondary School: (416) 393-5546 Principal: Michael Connolly

### ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

Catholic Pastoral Centre: (416) 934-0606

Office of Vocations: (416) 968-0997

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Central Business Office: (416) 733-8544

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

All of us, especially stewards, are called to be witnesses of the Gospel and evangelize the hearts of those nearest to us. However, before we can convert others, we need to have an interior conversion ourselves. One practice we can adopt is the morning offering which involves beginning each day, perhaps even while still lying in bed, with a prayer to God thanking Him for another morning and asking Him to help us offer our day for the good of the Gospel.

### WORLD DAY OF COMMUNICATIONS

On May 17, 2026, the 60<sup>th</sup> World Day of Communications, His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, issued a message titled "[Preserving Human Voices and Faces](#)". In an excerpt of his message, he kindly reminds us, "Faces and voices are sacred. God, who created us in his image and likeness, gave them to us when he called us to life through the Word he addressed to us. This Word resounded down the centuries through the voices of the prophets, and then became flesh in the fullness of time. We too have heard and seen this Word (cf. *1 Jn* 1:1-3) — in which God communicates his very self to us — because it has been made known to us in the voice and face of Jesus, the Son of God."

### POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION

There will be a second collection on **May 16/17**, for the Pope's Pastoral Works. The Pope's Pastoral Works collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously.

### VICTORIA DAY LONG WEEKEND – MAY 18

Due to the Victoria Day holiday Monday, Mass will be celebrated at **9:00 am** and the Parish office will be closed. We wish everyone a safe and happy long weekend!

### SERRA CLUB



The Serra Club is a lay organization with a mission to encourage and support vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. The next meeting of the Serra Toronto Downtown Club, will occur on **Wednesday May 20, 2026**, in St. Basil's

Church Hall following the **12:10 pm** Mass. Our very own parishioner, Francesco Rampino, will be the guest speaker. Francesco is currently a seminarian in formation for the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary. He will share his formation journey and vocation story. St. Basil's Church is at 50 St. Joseph St. Please register with Nancy Crawford for lunch catering 416-425-8025.

### OPERA BELCANTO OF YORK

Join us on the evening of **May 21, 2026**, at **7:00pm** as Opera Belcanto of York presents *Spring Classics*, highlighting the soloists of Opera Belcanto of York. They will be led by, Artistic Director and Conductor, Maestro David Varjabed and Accompanist Irina Klimova. Donations for this concert would be very much appreciated.

### SACRAMENT IMPORTANT DATES

#### First Communion Dates

<b>First Communion Ceremony Date</b>	Sunday, May 24 1:30 pm
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### YOUTH GROUP

St. Brigid's Youth Group **will not** meet on May 21. Meetings will commence on **May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm**.

### LADIES' SPRING TEA

The Kildare Women would like to thank you all for your support. This wonderful fundraiser is sold out. For those who bought tickets, we cannot wait to see you on **Saturday, May 23** from **2:00pm to 4:00 pm**. To the gentlemen who have kindly stepped forward to volunteer, please arrive for 1:30 pm dressed in black pants, white shirt and bowtie/time.

### SHARELIFE COLLECTION DATE

**May 31**



**Through ShareLife, you support human connection**

On the 60<sup>th</sup> World Day of Social Communication, we are invited to pause and connect with each other—for the Church, for the world, and for the future we are helping to shape together. In this moment, one truth remains clear: the Church endures because of the strength and love of parishioners like you.

Your support of ShareLife supports human connection across the world, making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in our community and beyond—funding more than 40 agencies, which help children and youth, families in crisis, seniors, immigrants and refugees, people with special needs, international development and missions, and vocations.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### PERPETUAL MASS CARDS

Perpetual Mass Cards from the Society of the Divine Word (SVD) are available at St. Brigid's and can be obtained by calling the office. They are available in both English and Italian for \$20 each.

### PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **May 25**. If you wish to contact the Parish Council with any items for consideration and discussion at their monthly meetings, you may do so by contacting them by email at: [stbrigidcouncil1920@gmail.com](mailto:stbrigidcouncil1920@gmail.com)

### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

All are welcome to join this free webinar on **June 6** beginning at **9:00 am** hosted by the Archdiocese of Toronto. Participants will learn about: how to avoid problems in your Will, Powers of Attorney, and Estate Trustee selection, how to create your own Catholic legacy, Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals.

To register: scan the QR code or visit [qrco.de/WebJun6](http://qrco.de/WebJun6).



**RIFLESSIONE DEL VANGELO**

L'ascensione al cielo ci fa contemplare il mistero di gloria che Dio ha rivelato in Cristo. L'evangelista Matteo che ha sempre presentato il Signore Gesù come l'Emmanuele, ci rassicura che, pur asceso al cielo, egli continua a rimanere nella sua comunità, che è la Chiesa: «*Io sono con voi tutti i giorni, fino alla fine del mondo*». È presente anche nella tua vita se i tuoi occhi, che lo fissano nel cielo lo sanno vedere anche dove tu vivi, lavori, ami, soffri e preghi.

**LX GIORNATA MONDIALE DELLE COMUNICAZIONI SOCIALI**

Il 17 maggio 2026, in occasione della 60ª Giornata mondiale delle comunicazioni, Sua Santità Papa Leone XIV ha rilasciato un messaggio intitolato "Custodire voci e volti umani". In un estratto del suo messaggio, ci ricorda gentilmente: "Volto e voce sono sacri. Ci sono stati donati da Dio che ci ha creati a sua immagine e somiglianza chiamandoci alla vita con la Parola che Egli stesso ci ha rivolto; Parola prima risuonata attraverso i secoli nelle voci dei profeti, quindi divenuta carne nella pienezza dei tempi. Questa Parola – questa comunicazione che Dio fa di sé stesso – l'abbiamo anche potuta ascoltare e vedere direttamente (cfr 1 Gv 1,1-3), perché si è fatta conoscere nella voce e nel Volto di Gesù, Figlio di Dio."

**COLLETTA DI OPERE PASTORALI DEL PAPA**

Il **16 e 17 maggio** si terrà una seconda colletta per le Opere Pastorali del Papa. La colletta per le Opere Pastorali del Papa è stata istituita dai vescovi del Canada nel 1970. Contribuendo alle Opere Pastorali del Papa, i fedeli canadesi conferiscono una dimensione universale alla loro carità. Le Opere Pastorali del Papa testimoniano l'amore e la compassione di Cristo per le persone in estremo bisogno. Vi preghiamo di donare generosamente.

**FESTA DI VICTORIA DAY – MAGGIO 18**

Il lunedì del Victoria Day, la messa sarà celebrata alle 9:00 del mattino e l'ufficio parrocchiale sarà chiuso. Auguriamo a tutti un lungo weekend sicuro e felice.

**TÈ PRIMAVERILE PER LE DONNE**

Le donne della parrocchia di Santa Brigida (e le ragazze dai 10 anni in su), le loro famiglie, amiche e vicine di casa sono invitate a un tè primaverile e a una raccolta fondi per la chiesa, organizzato dalle donne di Santa Brigida di Kildare, **sabato 23 maggio** dalle **14:00 alle 16:00**. Il costo del biglietto è di 30 dollari a persona. Saranno serviti panini raffinati, una varietà di dolci e un'ampia selezione di tè. Caffè, acqua e punch saranno disponibili per chi non beve tè. I biglietti saranno in vendita presso l'ufficio parrocchiale fino al 12 maggio. Signori della parrocchia, vi preghiamo di venire ad aiutarci a servire il tè alle nostre gentili partecipanti! Per iscrivervi, chiamate l'ufficio. È richiesto un abbigliamento formale.

**MASS INTENTIONS  
INTENZIONE DELLE MESSE****Saturday, May 16**

2:00 pm Wedding: Michelle Bilokrely and Sasha Clark  
5:00 pm † Crystel St. Romain

**Sunday, May 17**

8:30 am Mass Pro Populo – Mass for All Parishioners  
10:00 am † Francesca Muscarella  
11:30 am † Robert Edward James, Emilia and Santiago Quintana  
3:00 pm Ethiopian Ge'ez Rite Mass

**Monday, May 18**

12:00 pm † Joe and Lina Miniacci

**Tuesday, May 19**

12:00 pm † Colomba Soldo

**Wednesday, May 20**

11:30 am Adoration  
12:00 pm Blessings for Jennifer and Teddy  
† Paolo and Felicetta Lobozzo  
12:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Thursday, May 21**

11:00 am Adoration  
12:00 pm † Therea Tay and Maria Nguyen

**Friday, May 22**

12:00 pm † Dora Coxson  
1:30 pm Wedding: Linda Rita Holder and Juanne Paolo Salangang

**CARTE DI MASSA PERPETUA**

Presso la chiesa di Santa Brigida sono ora disponibili le immaginette perpetue della Società del Verbo Divino (SVD), che possono essere richieste telefonando in ufficio. Sono disponibili numerose e bellissime immagini, in inglese e in italiano, al prezzo di 20 dollari ciascuna.

**SHARELIFE - DATE DI RACCOLTA****May 31**

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**We congratulate and pray for  
Sasha Clark and Michelle Bilokrely  
Juanne Paolo Salangang and Linda Holder  
on the Sacrament of Marriage.  
May the Lord Bless them.**

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