

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD

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TOGETHER IN SPIRIT

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## Congratulations to our RCIA and RCIC Catechumens

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our RCIA and RCIC catechumens who completed their Rite of Acceptance on Sunday January 31<sup>st</sup>. The rite was conducted virtually due to the current pandemic restrictions, but still exhibited much of the passion and emotion, normally associated with these beautiful initiation ceremonies. We welcome **McKenna, Jacob and Charlotte** from the children's program and **Mahtab, Helen, Cindy, Alice, Hamayun, Yan, Suki, Christopher, Iman, Bita and Cherry** from the adults program, who have now entered into the Order of the Catechumens and are now named "catechumens". We also welcome **Esther**, who, by virtue of her Christian Baptism, is named a "candidate." We thank Fr. Jojo and Deacon Rob for administering the rite, as well as Cathie Furfaro who leads this ministry, along with our catechists, sponsors and the RCIA Support Team. We ask our parish family to continue to pray for our candidate and catechumens.

## Living LENT together...

### Ash Wednesday Services

On **Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17)**, in addition to our **livestream Mass at 7 pm**, we will also have a series of short services from **8 to 10 am; 12 to 1pm; and 5 to 7 pm;** and on **Thursday Feb. 18** from **8 to 10 am;** enabling the distribution of ashes and Holy Communion to our parishioners. If you would like to attend one of these services please register at [www.olqw.com](http://www.olqw.com) or on our parish app. Additional services will be scheduled if needed.

### Lenten Donation Calendars

You can pick up a Lenten donation calendar from the parish office. Proceeds will go to **Hill House Hospice**, an organization in Richmond Hill which has helped many of our parish families by providing palliative care for their loved ones.

### Friday Way of the Cross

We will have the **Way of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7 pm** immediately followed by Mass.

### Lenten Reflection Retreats

**Deacon Rob and Denise Tunney** and **Domenic and Mary Rinaldi** will co-host two evenings of Lenten reflection retreats on **Sunday February 21 & 28 at 7:30 pm.** Details to follow.

### Knights of Columbus - 40 Cans for Lent

The OLQW Knights of Columbus will continue their 40 cans for Lent food drive. Details to follow.

### Daily Reflections

Daily reflections will be posted on our parish app. for your spiritual inspiration.

## Your 2020 Tax Receipts are ready for pick up!

It's tax season and your 2020 tax receipts are ready for pick up at the Parish Office, from **10:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday to Friday.** Please call to confirm before you come.

## MASS TIMES - Livestream only Public Masses cancelled due to lockdown

### WEEKDAY MASSES

- Monday 8:30 AM (9:30 AM on Holidays)
- Wednesday 7:00 PM
- Thursday 8:30 AM
- Friday 7:00 PM

### WEEKEND MASSES

- Saturday:** 5:00 PM
- Sunday Masses:** 9:00 AM

**LIVESTREAMED MASSES** are available by subscribing to our YouTube Channel  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9lj9qPj6GMkn1dpxH\\_GrVg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9lj9qPj6GMkn1dpxH_GrVg)

### OFFICE HOURS

**WEDNESDAYS ONLY: 9 AM to 4 PM  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.**

Please be assured that staff will check email and phone messages regularly. Please feel free to leave us a message, should you need to contact us. Check [www.olqw.com](http://www.olqw.com) or the Parish App for contact information for the Pastoral Team and Parish Staff.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

If you wish to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, please call the Parish Office to make an appointment. Thank you.

## Support Our Advertisers!

For many years, our local businesses have supported our parish. Please give them your support at this challenging time. <https://www.olqw.com/commercial>

## First Communion: Online Parent meeting

**Thursday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

A Zoom link will be sent to the parents of all children registered for First Communion on Tuesday February 23<sup>rd</sup>. For more information please contact Dorothy Whelan at: [dwhelan@archtoronto.org](mailto:dwhelan@archtoronto.org)

### Extending our Embrace:

Wednesday, February 24, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

This online event seeks to widen our circles of compassion and care through inspiring story-telling and art from diverse faith traditions.

To register or for more information:

<http://bit.ly/WIHWregister>

### St. Thérèse of Lisieux

#### Spiritual Life Series:

Mondays: February 22, March 8 & 22, April 12 & 26 – 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

All are welcome to join a new spiritual life series based on the book "The Story of a Soul" by St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

For more information contact:

[lenita.lopez@newmantoronto.com](mailto:lenita.lopez@newmantoronto.com)

To register:

<https://thestoryofasoul.eventbrite.ca>

To browse other events:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/catholic-outreach/calendar-events>



### Lector Formation Webinar –

Richer Access:  
The Importance of the Lectionary

On Wednesday, March 10, 2021 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. all lectors are invited to a webinar on the history of the lectionary and its important role in the life of the Church.

There is no cost to attend, but online registration is required. Please register at: <http://bit.ly/LFW-RegisterMar2021> by Monday, March 8, 2021.

For more details, see the event poster: <http://bit.ly/LFW-PosterMar2021>



### Interreligious Dialogue on Ecology:

Pope Francis and Asian Religions on the Protection of the Environment

Thursday, February 11 from 7 to 9 p.m.

This lecture will summarize Pope Francis' teaching on the care for the Earth, our common home, it will also explore how the papal teaching can find support in Asian religions. To register visit:

<https://frasercentre.ca/tribe-events/list/>



### Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Formation Webinar

The Eucharist: Food for Missionary Disciples

On Saturday, February 27, 2021 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to join a webinar to examine the important role the Eucharist has in our lives as missionary disciples.

No cost, but registration is required.

Please register at: <http://bit.ly/EMHCFW-RegisterFeb2021> by Thursday Feb. 25

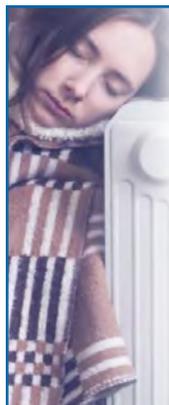
For more details, see the event poster: <http://bit.ly/EMHCFW-Feb2021Poster>

### Friars' Student Writing Contest

It is time once again for the **Friars' Student Writing Award**. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a 500 word essay for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated from January 18 to 25, 2021. This year's essay theme is, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (John 15:5-9).

Deadline: Monday, February 15, 2021

For details: <https://bit.ly/FriarsWritingContest>



### Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) Update

The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul - York South Particular Council would like to thank all parishioners for their ongoing support, prayers and works for the poor. On February 7<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the feast day of **Blessed Rosalie Rendu**, one of the founders of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. In recognition of her inspiration "that she had never prayed so well as in these streets" - we ask that you keep the homeless in your hearts at this time of the year. For those who have no homes, may they quickly find a place in which they can live a happy and decent life. In accordance with a recommendation from the Council's Social Justice Committee we ask that parishioners celebrate the feast day by remembering the homeless and helping in any way they can. Please watch [this video](#) to learn more about Blessed Rosalie and how SSVP is combating poverty and homelessness. May you continue to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. If you would like to learn more or to make a donation to SSVP please visit [www.ssvp.ca](http://www.ssvp.ca)



### VOCATIONS

### Is God calling you to preach, teach and heal?

Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon please contact:

**Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations**  
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997  
or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
or visit: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

### Prayer to Combat the Pandemic

Most merciful God, We come to you in our weakness.  
We come to you in our fear. We come to you with trust.  
For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the disease present in our world.  
We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors. Give understanding to scientists. Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity. Bring healing to those who are ill. Protect those who are most at risk. Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one. Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities.  
Unite us in our compassion.  
Remove all fear from our hearts.  
Fill us with confidence in your care.  
Jesus, we trust in you

- Author unknown



### Line Dancing and Exercise

The Young at Heart Ministry continues to hold the weekly line dancing/exercise class led by Susan Lao on ZOOM on **Wednesday mornings starting at 10:30 AM** for line dancing followed by cardio/stretching exercises at 11:00 AM. All Young at Heart members are welcomed to participate. Contact **Jane Ng Cheong** at 416-830-5204 for more information.

### Support Your Parish

**Mail** your offering to the parish office:  
10411 Bayview Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 3P2

**Credit card:** [click here](#)

**Pre-Authorized Giving:** [click here](#)

For more information visit [www.olqw.com/donation](http://www.olqw.com/donation)

Thank you for continuing to support us during these challenging times for all.



### Liturgy of The Word for CHILDREN

Open to all children (JK to Gr. 4)

Sundays at 11:30 am  
Virtually on ZOOM

Please email [lwcato1qw@gmail.com](mailto:lwcato1qw@gmail.com) for a secure link.