

Our Lady Queen of the World

Roman Catholic Church

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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*


Dear OLQW Parish Family,
 I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your Christmas greetings, warm wishes, and generous gifts extended to me personally and for our beloved parish.
 Your thoughtfulness and kindness during this holy season have been a source of immense joy and inspiration. Your generosity towards the parish's needs reflects the true spirit of Christmas, fostering a sense of a true parish family, filled with joy, peace, hope, love, and of community and solidarity among us.
 In this same spirit, may we embrace the new Jubilee Year and become true Pilgrims of Hope in our continuing journey of faith.
 We wish all members of our beloved parish family a blessed, joyful, safe and healthy 2025.
 We are forever grateful to you for sharing your time, talents and treasure in supporting our parish community.
 With sincerest gratitude, best wishes, and prayers,
 Fr. Jojo

Thank You!
 We express our sincere gratitude to all our kind and generous parishioners, the Knights of Columbus, Christ the King School, St. Joseph's School, and Our Lady Help of Christians School, whose massive efforts and incredible generosity, enabled us to help over 100 families for our St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Angels campaign.



Music Concert & Parish Fundraiser
Jonathan Michael will be in concert at OLQW church on Saturday February 1 at 7 pm which also features organist/pianist, **Joshua Tamayo** and the **Beaux Strings Orchestra**.
 Tickets:
 Adults: \$25 | Seniors: \$ 20
 Children 12 and under: \$10
 Tickets on sale after weekend Masses in the Narthex or at www.olqw.com

Jubilee Year 2025



The Catholic Church worldwide will celebrate a special Jubilee Year in 2025. This has been a tradition dating back to the year 1300 when Pope Boniface VIII announced the first Jubilee, which is also referred to as a "Holy Year". The frequency has changed over time, with a Jubilee year originally celebrated every 100 years, later every 50 years and, more recently, every 25 years or at the request of the Holy Father.
 The Jubilee Year includes many celebrations within the city of Rome and also local initiatives in dioceses around the world. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee is "Pilgrims of Hope". In the words of Pope Francis: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision." The Holy Father opened the Jubilee Year on Christmas Eve, with the official opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, Archbishop Leo opened the Jubilee Year with a Solemn Opening Mass last Sunday, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.
 To learn more and for more resources please visit: <http://www.archtoronto.org/jubilee>

We pray for our sick
 We pray for all who are sick and are suffering, especially those in our parish family. May God give them peace, strength and healing.

We pray for our departed
 We pray for all who have died, especially those from our parish family. May they find rest, peace, and joy in their eternal home. We pray especially for Homer Lennon, Yolanda Judd, and Colman Hon.

Mass Intentions

Tues. Jan. 7 - 8:30 am	+Trevor Lennon req. Gerri Lennon
Wed. Jan. 8 - 7:00 pm	+Valentino Del Fabro req. Marisa Del Fabro
Thurs. Jan. 9 - 8:30 am	Mass
Fri. Jan. 10 - 7:00 pm	Mass
Sat. Jan. 11 - 5:00 pm	Birthday Blessings for Mark and Claudia Gonsalves
Sun. Jan. 12 - 9:00 am	Special Intention for Lennon and Petryshen Families
Sun. Jan. 12 - 10:30 am	Mass for all parishioners
Sun. Jan. 12 - 12:00 Noon	+Ermanno Lepone req. Maria Lepone

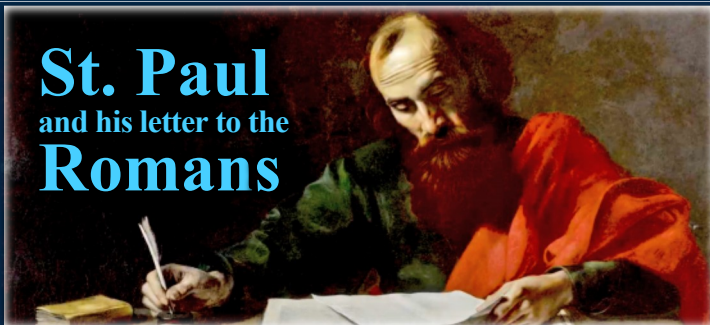
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Please write your name and address on the first few envelopes you use.
If you recently changed your address or if the address on your envelope box is incorrect, please call the office at 905-884-7006 (ext. 0) and let us know.
Thank You!

Adult Bible Study - 2025

St. Paul and his letter to the Romans



January 13/14 to April 7/8

- Mondays: 10:00 to 11:30 am
- Tuesdays: 7:00 to 8:30 pm
- Cost: **\$50.00** (for study book)

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or scan the QR code on the right:
(Available on Zoom or in-person.)



Parish Jubilee Pilgrimage

Our Lady Queen of the World Parish is organizing a special Pilgrimage to celebrate the 2025 Jubilee Year which was recently launched in Rome by Pope Francis. This is a unique opportunity for the faithful to come and join us as **Pilgrims of Hope**, in keeping with the **theme of the 2025 Jubilee Year**.



We will visit the **Holy Doors at the Notre Dame Basilica in Quebec City**, which will be open for pilgrims to walk through, to gain special graces. These are the **only permanent Holy Doors outside of Europe**. We will also visit **St. Joseph's Oratory and Notre Dame Basilica in Montreal**, the **Franciscan Mission in Kahnawake** (the burial place of **St. Kateri Tekakwitha**); the **Church of St. Anne de Beaupré** on the **Côte de Beaupré**; and, **Notre Dame du Cap at Cap de la Madeleine**, the site of an approved miracle. Mark these dates in your calendars: **October 16 to 21, 2025**. Seats will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested please pick up an information sheet from the church entrances, or the parish office, or visit our website at www.olqw.com, for more information including itinerary, pricing and registration.

Marriage Sunday 2025



The Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate **Marriage Sunday** on the weekend of **February 8/9, 2025**. As part of the **Marriage Sunday** celebrations, **Bishop Ivan Camilleri** will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (**25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+**) in 2025. The Mass will take place at **2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025** at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are invited to **register online** at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

Milestone anniversary celebrants may register for reserved seating, which is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend in person at the Cathedral may join the celebration via livestream Mass at: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>.

We will also honour **all married couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries in 2025 at OLQW Parish**, at all masses on the weekend of **February 8/9, 2025**. Please call the office (**905-884-7006**) and let us know if you are celebrating a Milestone Anniversary, so we can include you in the special blessings at the Mass you attend that weekend.



Young at Heart Weekly Activities

- **Tuesdays from 12:45 to 2:00 pm: Exercise Class** - In person in our parish hall.
 - **Wednesdays from 10:15 am - 12:30 pm: Line dancing and fitness program** led by **Susan Lao** on Zoom, and in person in the parish hall.
- All Classes are led by qualified instructors. Call the **Office (905-884-7006)** to register.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Friars Student Writing Contest



January 18 to 25, 2025, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). 2025 Theme: **"Do you believe this?" (John 11:26) - Jesus' question to Martha before raising Lazarus from the dead.** We are invited to join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto, Northern Region), and a wide representation of Christian leaders, to pray for the full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. This prayer service will be held on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, at 4 p.m. at North City Church in Woodbridge.

Friars Student Writing Contest 2025 (Deadline to submit entries: Monday January 13) High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25. Write a 500-word essay exploring the 2025 theme. Great prizes for the top three submissions. Students should consult the resources at <https://bit.ly/3zOVHly> to understand the theme, and address the focus question on the poster at <https://bit.ly/3XCGGgo> and submit their entries at: <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

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