



A Celebration of Marriage
in the Archdiocese of Toronto

MASS WITH BISHOP JOHN BOISSONNEAU
Sunday, February 8, 2026, 2:30 p.m.

St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica
65 Bond Street, Toronto
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available for couples
celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+
anniversaries in 2026

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"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:3 The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.



Let us Pray! For the sick members of our Parish
and for those who love and minister to them.

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Sunday January 25th, February 1st, 8th, 22nd, 2026.

Available between masses at 10:30 am and 12:00 pm.

To book a seat e-mail: jason.shantz@gmail.com

St. Martin de Porres Parish
4179 Lawrence Ave E, Scarborough, ON M1E 2S3

Parish Weekly fact

Why do we sing at Mass?

The Mass is the Lord's gift to us and fills us with blessings. The Mass is also us giving praise and thanksgiving to God and fosters our **relationship** with our Lord. As we seek to give praise and worship to God, music is an important part of this. Catholics express their love for God by singing, especially during Mass. Worshipping God by singing sacred music and hymns in Mass allows Catholics to join with the angels who sing a song of praise forever in Heaven. The use of music as a means to give praise and worship to God is biblical. Singing has always been an important part of worship, even before Christianity. The Psalms were meant to be sung, and other songs and hymns can be found in the Old Testament. The Catholic Church continues the tradition of singing in the Sacred Liturgy. The **Gloria, Sanctus, Alleluia, and Responsorial Psalm** are regularly sung at Mass, in addition to **Entrance, Communion, and Recessional hymns**.

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