

BLD Toronto – Broadcast No. 2026-02-01

January 29, 2026

To: BLD Toronto Cluster 7 Members

Re: Broadcast for the week ending January 30, 2026

BLD Toronto Activities for February 2026

DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
Friday, January 30, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Saturday, January 31, 2026	10:00 AM	Worship Team Teaching by Sis. Mary Cruz (Filipino Center at 4395 Sheppard Avenue East, Scarborough)
Friday, February 6, 2026	8:00 PM	First Friday Mass (OLA Church)
Friday, February 6, 2026	8:00 PM	Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) Salubong (OLA Hall)
Friday, February 13, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Friday, February 20, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Friday, February 27, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Saturday, February 28, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching (OLA Rm. 3)
Saturday, February 28, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching (OLA Rm. 4)

For the **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**, the **theme** reminds us that **we are renewed in God's righteousness when we live the Beatitudes**. In our modern world, living the Beatitudes is deeply challenging because they call for inner conversion and invite us to live counterculturally. While society celebrates self-promotion, comfort, strength, and instant success, Jesus blesses the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and those who suffer for what is right. Faithfulness to the Beatitudes can feel unnoticed, as their rewards are neither immediate nor visible. Yet we are invited to hold firmly to the Lord's encouragement this week: ***"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven"*** (Mt 5:12). [CSL Reflection]

THEME & PROMISE

Week#1 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time) February 1, 2026

Theme: We are renewed in God's righteousness when we live the Beatitudes.

Promise: *"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."* (Mt 5:12)

Order:

1. *"Seek the Lord...seek righteousness...seek humility;"* (Zep 2:3)
2. *"...executes justice for the oppressed...gives food to the hungry."* (Ps 146:7)
3. *"...boast in the Lord."* (1 Cor 1:31)

Direction:

1. Live the beatitudes daily.
2. Keep Jesus vision alive by doing the corporal works of mercy.
3. Be a good witness by living a righteous life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE DCS:

- Due to recent winter weather conditions, **the grounds around OLA might have become slippery and icy.** We kindly remind everyone to **take extra precautions when walking in the parking lot, pathways, and entrances.**

For everyone's safety:

- ♥ Walk slowly and carefully, especially on untreated or shaded areas.
- ♥ Use handrails whenever possible.
- ♥ Wear proper winter footwear with good traction.
- ♥ Allow extra time when arriving for events or services.

Your safety is our priority. Thank you for your cooperation and continued vigilance.

- There will be a second collection after the First Friday Mass on February 6th to help fund the purchase of new Praise Ministry equipment.

FROM THE PRAISE MINISTRY:

The teaching on **How to be an Effective Worship Team** by **Sister Mary Cruz** is moved to **Saturday, January 31, 2026 at 10 am** at the **Filipino Centre at 4395 Sheppard Avenue East, Scarborough, ON M1S 1T8.**

We will be collecting love offering to help cover the cost of the teaching, food and venue. Any amount will be greatly appreciated. We thank you for your generosity and support!

FROM THE MARRIAGE LIFE MINISTRY:

- **Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau – February 8, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.** As part of Marriage Sunday 2026 celebrations, Bishop John Boissonneau will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage see also the flyer for more information.

FROM THE LIFE IN THE SPIRIT MINISTRY:

- The **Life in the Spirit Seminar No. 42** is scheduled from **February 6 to March 8, 2026 (right after every Praise & Worship)** service at **OLA Hall**. To register, please contact Manny & Letty Buado and Merlo & Ellen Binoya, see our flyer and registration form at our website for details.

FROM THE MISSION MINISTRY:

- **NEW!** The Breaking the Yoke of Poverty Ministry will be distributing Lenten cards as a fundraising campaign to support the BYOP Scholarship of Hope program for the needy children in our home country, the Philippines. This Lent, sacrificing a dollar a day appears insignificant for us but it is an opportunity for a bright future to someone. Fasting is a way to humble yourself in the sight of God (Psalm 35:13; Ezra 8:21).
- **NEW!** The Mission Ministry together with the Solo Parent Ministry will be collecting grocery donations for The Youth Without Shelter (YWS), an emergency shelter for homeless youth. The first drop off at the YWS was last January 20th. A second drop off will be early next month. Please contact any Mission Ministry member for pickup of your respective donations. A table will be set up at the OLA basement hall to collect donations.

FROM THE PASTORAL SERVICES MINISTRY:

- **SAVE THE DATE:** The Pastoral Services Ministry will host the **BLD Toronto Recollection on Saturday, March 21, 2026 from 8:30am - 4:00pm at the St. Benedict Catholic Church, 2194 Kipling Ave, Etobicoke, ON M9W 4K9.** The Recollection is open to all BLD Toronto & Outreach community members. Further details will follow.

GENERAL INFORMATION

FROM THE INTERCESSORY MINISTRY:

- Everyone is invited to our Community Intercession every Monday evening at 7:30 PM via Zoom, except on the 1st Monday of the month and on holidays. Pls. see below for Zoom details note that we have new Passcode:
Meeting ID: 812 7532 6147
Passcode: 2026357
- Please write clearly on your petition forms, especially names, so that the intercessors can read your handwriting.

FROM THE SECRETARIAT MINISTRY:

- Please make sure to scan your ID before Praise and Worship every week or sign-in your attendance for safety and security purposes in case of emergency.
- Kindly advise the Secretariat by emailing bldtorontosecretariat01@gmail.com if you know of any member who does not receive the weekly DCS broadcasts. Help us to keep all members well informed of community events.

FROM THE TREASURY MINISTRY:

- To set up an Interac e-transfer for their love offerings, please see the information below:
Email: bldtorontotreasury@yahoo.com Security Question: **who is my first teacher?
Answer/Password: **Jesus1****

Once Jojie Abellanosa (Treasurer) receives your e-transfer, expect a confirmation email coming from her (not from your bank), otherwise please email her at the above-noted email address.

In the love of Christ,
BLD Toronto Stewards