

BLD Toronto – Broadcast No. 2026-02-02

February 5, 2026

To: BLD Toronto Cluster 7 Members

Re: Broadcast for the week ending February 6, 2026

BLD Toronto Activities for February 2026

DAY/DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES
Friday, February 6, 2026	8:00 PM	First Friday Mass & Blessing of Marriages (OLA Church)
Friday, February 6, 2026	9:00 PM	Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS) Salubong (OLA Hall)
Wednesday, February 11, 2026	7:30 PM	DLC Meeting (via Zoom)
Friday, February 13, 2026	8:00 PM	Praise & Worship (OLA Hall)
Wednesday, February 18, 2026	7:30 PM	Disciples Meeting (2025 4 th Qtr.) (via Zoom)
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 (TBA)
Saturday, February 28, 2026	12:00 PM	Teaching (OLA Rm. 4)

Our good works and acts of charity allow the light of Christ to break forth through us like the dawn, guiding others toward God. This is the **theme of the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; we are renewed in God's righteousness when we become the light that leads others to Christ.** To carry this light, we must remain close to Jesus through prayer, humility, and obedience. The closer we are to Him, the more brightly His light shines through us. This light is made visible in simple and faithful choices of love, truth, and forgiveness, instead of anger, convenience, and resentment. When our lives reflect the compassion, mercy, and integrity of Jesus, people are led not to admire us but to encounter Him. In this way, we become instruments of God's promise: **"Light shall rise for you in the darkness"** (Is 58:10b), inspiring others to move forward with hope and respond to love even in the midst of darkness). **[CSL Reflection]**

THEME & PROMISE

Week#2 (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time) February 8, 2026
(First Friday)

Theme: We are renewed in God's righteousness when we are the light that leads others to Christ.
Promise: "Your light shall rise in the darkness." (Is 58:10b)

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.

THROUGH THE EVANGELIZATION APOSTOLATE/MARRIAGE LIFE MINISTRY:

- **NEW!** – **BLD Toronto's Celebration of Marriage** - In observance and unity with the Archdiocese of Toronto, we warmly invite **all BLD couples** to join us at our **BLD First Friday Mass on February 6, 2026.**

Following the Mass, we will have a special renewal and blessing for all married couples, to be administered by our invited presiding priest, **Fr. Norberto "Nono" Eyule.**

The **Celebration of Marriage** is one of our BLD community's core missions, rooted in our ongoing Marriage Encounter formation and outreach. Each year, the Archdiocese of Toronto invites BLD to participate in its diocesan celebration—either as registered celebrant couples or as volunteers. This year, five BLD couples will join other lay organizations of the Archdiocese in welcoming the new celebrants at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.

Since not all BLD couples can attend the Archdiocese's event, the BLD Toronto Stewards have initiated our own **BLD Married Couple Blessing** during the First Friday Mass on February 6, 2026.

We hope to see our BLD family come together in faith, unity, and joy as we honor and celebrate the gift of marriage.

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:

- The **Winnipeg Prayer Group** is inviting everyone to attend their **Praise and Worship on Sunday, February 8, 2026 at 6pm via Zoom (Meeting ID: 810 6914 3467 Passcode: 2026357).** The regular Praise and Worship is every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.
- We encourage volunteers to serve meals to the homeless at the **Good Shepherd Ministries on February 11, 2026.** BLD's schedule is **every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 2:00 - 4:00pm.** Let us enjoy the experience of feeding the less fortunate of our brothers and sisters.
- 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).

- 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