30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Although it is not easy for us to hear, faith in Jesus is not all about miracles. All too often today preachers will challenge their communities to have greater faith, for then they will experience healing and tremendous wealth. Step into any bookstore and you will discover shelves of books promising prosperity and well-being for those who have faith. Trust in Jesus, and you will be healed. Trust in Jesus, and you will prosper.

Yet the gospel stories of miracles often have little to do with the actual healings. This is not do deny the possibility of God's grace curing wounds and easing our suffering. Rather, it is to remind us that God has something much greater in store for us if only we turn to God in faith. More than likely, we may not even know what that may be.

Thus, the story of Bartimaeus in Mark's Gospel is not about his healing but his faith and determination. Despite everyone's rebuke, Bartimaeus cries out to Jesus even louder. Upon hearing Jesus' call, he casts aside everything to follow and be with Jesus. By his act of faith, Bartimaeus experiences something even greater than he could imagine.

So too could we. But we must let go and let God be God. Only then will God work marvellous things in us. (Reflection by Don Beyers, from Living with Christ.)



Saturday, October 24th, 2015

4:30 p.m. + Francesco & Livia Le Coche

Sunday, October 25th, 2015

8:00 a.m. Moses Kim

9:30 a.m. + Felicisimo V. Ramos 11:00 a.m. + Giovanni Carpino

Monday, October 26th, 2015

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Shirley Lobo

Tuesday, October 27th, 2015 8:30 a.m. + Pietro Gri

Wednesday, October 28th, 2015 8:30 a.m. + Franc Zelko

Thursday, October 29th, 2015 8:30 a.m. + Wilfred Dooner

Friday, October 30th, 2015 8:30 a.m. + Helena Pak The <u>Family of Faith Capital Campaign</u> is rooted in the Archdiocese of Toronto's <u>Pastoral Plan</u>, released by Cardinal Collins.

The Pastoral Plan contains many exciting initiatives that will support and grow our Catholic Community, not only in this parish, but throughout the diocese.

Many parts of the Pastoral Plan require new financial investments and that is where the Family of Faith Capital Campaign comes in. Our parish will be participating in this initiative and you will be hearing much more about it in the coming weeks. All parishes in the Archdiocese have been asked to assist in this important capital campaign which will help in supporting The Pastoral Plan.

We also invite you to visit the website to learn more about The Pastoral Plan and The Family of Faith Campaign.



Heavenly Father

We ask you to be with us as we work together as a family of faith,

sharing and following the example of your son

Jesus in loving service.

May we be inspired by your divine love, as we share our time, talent and treasure to strengthen our family of faith.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

For those Wishing to Become Catholic

The RCIA course is now running every Tuesday at 7 p.m., in the parish hall, for those wishing to become Catholic. For more information, contact the office or Bill Nalepka at 416-222-2124 or email nalepka@rogers.com

CDs

New title, new CDs, now on display on the CD kiosk located in the church lobby. Visit and browse. For more information contact: Sylvia at 416-226-2744

Alpha

Join us on Wednesdays at 6:30pm to experience Alpha. Alpha is a series of dinner and discussion of life's most meaningful questions in a friendly and accessible environment. Admission is free and friends are welcome. Come see why 27 million people have tried Alpha. For more information or questions contact Lisa Canning at: lisa@lisacanning.ca #tryalpha

Open House

St. Michael's College School Registration for September 2016 Tuesday Oct. 27, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. 1515 Bathurst Street (St. Clair Avenue West) Toronto, Ontario

Refreshments

Join us for coffee, tea and cookies on Fridays after the morning Mass. Volunteers and donations for the coffee fund are welcome. For more information contact Genny at: g7flower@gmail.com

Launch of New Website

The new official Parish Website has been launched! During the Saint Edward the Confessor honorary Mass, Father Pat officially commissioned the new website and it is fully functional! The URL for the website is http://www.stedward.ca and it is an amazing all-purpose tool to find out anything you could possibly want about the parish. Some of the features the new website has are: descriptions of all the ministries and groups at the parish, a listing of upcoming and current events, the schedule of masses celebrated at the parish, a digital copy of the current parish bulletin and pictures of past ministry events. We would like to thank Winnie LoBaker, Favin Alemao, Jonathan Morin and Kimberly Flores for all their hard work in getting the website set up. Any feedback / comments / advice about the website can be submitted through the form on the Contact Us page.

Rosary in October

For those who are able to join us, the Rosary Apostolate will gather in the church at 9:15 a.m. each Tuesday in October, (the month of the Rosary), to pray the Rosary. As you know, the regular recitation of the Rosary is still held each Wednesday before the morning Mass.

Thank You

The Cardinal's office has sent a thank you letter for your continued support of ShareLife. If you would like to read it, there are copies at the Welcome table.

Special Presentation at St. Edward's

Dr. Simone of Canadian Food for Children will speak at St. Edward's Church on Monday, October 26th at 7 p.m. All are invited to come and hear him speak on his work with the poor, which he and his wife, Joan, founded in 1985 at the request and approval of Mother Theresa.

If you wish to bring items for distribution to the poor, feel free to bring them to the event. Items needed, include: non-perishable food (canned food); hygiene items (soap, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.); tools; clothing (new or gently used adult, babies and children's clothing); school supplies; toys; and medical (walkers, first aid supplies, crutches, etc.).

Office of Vocations

The Office of Vocations is hosting a COME & SEE WEEKEND at St. Augustine's Seminary. Providing a time to pray, to learn what seminary formation is about & time to interact & socialize with the seminarians & priests of the seminary. The weekend offers opportunities for Communal Prayer, Mass, Adoration & confession. Friday Nov 6 (7pm) to Sunday Nov 8 (130pm). For more information call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

and

The Office of Vocations is hosting a YOUNG MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL (Day) RETREAT at St. Augustine's Seminary. Providing time to pray & to interact & socialize with young seminarians who run the day. Offers opportunities for Prayer, Mass, Adoration & confession. Retreat is Saturday November 28 from 9am to 5pm. For more information call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

All Soul's Day

All Soul's Day will be celebrated on Monday, November 2nd.

Besides the regular Morning Mass, at 8:30 a.m., a second Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. for all who have died, especially those in our parish who have died over the past year.

During the month of November, parishioners are welcome to write the names of their beloved deceased in the Book of Remembrance in front of the altar. All Masses during the month of November will have a special intention for the deceased.