

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE LORD, IN His loving care and concern, constantly seeks out the lost. Jesus always searches for anyone who may have gone astray, rich or poor. He wishes to offer everyone the opportunity to repent and start again.

In today's Gospel, Jesus reached out to Zacchaeus, a wealthy tax collector who had climbed a tree to catch a glimpse of Him. The Lord pronounced his name as an old friend would and spoke to him with tenderness. Jesus looked beyond his faults and errors and saw into his heart, just as he sees into ours.

On that day, Jesus entered Zacchaeus' home and his life. The mercy and love he showed Zacchaeus touched and transformed the tax collector. Zacchaeus was no longer absorbed with money but now saw the suffering of his neighbor. He responded generously to Jesus' call by resolving to change his ways, making restitution to those he had defrauded and sharing his possessions with the poor.

Jesus invites us to receive Him as Zacchaeus did – joyfully. No matter how far we may have fallen, Jesus always offers us God's generous mercy and unconditional love. He looks beyond our mistakes and calls each of us by name. We too can be like Zacchaeus. Respond to Jesus' call without hesitation and welcome Him with a humble, open heart.

(Reflection of Nada Mazzei, of Living with Christ)

Youth Ministry

Our EDGE (grade 6, 7 and 8 students) and Lifeteen (high school students) programs are both now in full swing! Please see the banners in the foyer for complete schedules or speak to our Youth Director, Jessica Bews for more information.

Upcoming nights:

Friday, November 8, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: Lifeteen - **Dignified**
Friday, November 15, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: EDGE – **Proof in the Paint**

R.C.I.A.

The course for those wishing to become Catholic is held every Wednesday evening from 7 – 9 p.m. in the parish hall. For more information, contact Sr. Eva Janning at 647-542-3309, email: ejanning@gmail.com



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 4, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Pura Balbin Baylon

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Blessings for the Parishioners of St. Edward's

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Adolf Rygiel

Thursday, November 7, 2019

8:30 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Friday, November 8, 2019

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Saturday, November 9, 2019 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Sahaya Vinu

4:30 p.m. + Patrick Saldanha

Sunday, November 10, 2019

8:00 a.m. + Maria & Simon Kurnat

9:30 a.m. + Salvatore Adragna

11:00 a.m. + Thena Autea Ton

The Gospel according to Matthew

Our series on the *Gospel* is held every Monday morning and continues until Monday, December 2nd. Join us on Monday mornings as we explore the *Gospel according to Matthew*, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Coffee and refreshments will be served from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. All are welcome!

Laudato Si'

"Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs." – Francis of Assisi

Our sister now cries out to us in pain.

Pope Francis appeals to us to hear the cry of the earth in his letter *Laudato Si'*.

Join us on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall, as we hear what Pope Francis has to say. The series continue until Monday, December 2nd. All are welcome!

NOVEMBER 3, 2019


Cardinal's Dinner

The annual Cardinal's Dinner, which raises funds for various Catholic charities, will be held on **Tuesday, November 5th**, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Tickets: **\$200.00** each. Contact the parish office if you would like to attend.

Congratulations!

Cardinal Collins has announced that the Holy Father, Pope Francis, has bestowed the title of Monsignor on three priests of the Toronto Archdiocese, to include our Pastor, Fr. Pat O'Dea. This is a great honour for Fr. Pat, the parish and the diocese. The other priests include: Fr. Michael Busch, St. Jerome's Parish (Brampton) and Fr. Fernando Couto (St. Mary's Parish, Toronto).

Let us pray for our Pastor and the other priests who have been granted this special honour in recognition of their priestly ministry.



You are invited to the ordination of

John Steven Sutka

To the Transitional Diaconate

*His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins
Will celebrate the Ordination Mass
On Saturday, November 16, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
At St. Edward the Confessor*

*Please join us for a reception immediately
Following the Ordination Mass
In the parish hall*

Month of November

The month of November offers us the opportunity to pray for our deceased in a special remembrance at all Masses. In particular, we pray for deceased members of our families and those within our parish community who died in the past year.

For those who wish to write the names of loved ones at the Remembrance Table, you are welcome to do so throughout the month of November. A special prayer intention will be offered at each daily Mass in November.

Bundle Up for St. Vincent de Paul! November 23 & 24, 2019

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing; all seasons (men, women and children) to be given to those in need or to be sold to help support Special Works in the community. Please bring your donation on the weekend of November 23rd/24th. A SVDP truck will be parked in the parking lot. Thank you for your continued support.

Lectio Divina

Cardinal Collin's talk to be live-streamed this Sunday,
November 3, 2019 in the parish hall

Theme: The Sacrifice of Isaac
Genesis 22:1-19

Vespers with Cardinal: 7:00 pm
Lectio Divina starts: 7:30 – 8:15 pm

The parish hall will be open from 6:30 p.m. – coffee, juice and water provided, prior to start of the event. All are welcome. There is no charge.

Senior Residence Masses in November 2019

Friday, November 8th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.
Friday, November 8th – Lansing – 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 20th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our weekly meetings on Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. All are welcome.

Knitting Group

The seniors' knitting group is still very active with their projects for Out of the Cold and Tiny Shroud Ministry. They are in need of donations of wool to make warm items for needy. For more information, contact Marie Heard at 416-222-5139.

Poor Box

Please remember the poor box on your way out of the Church. All funds assist our local St. Vincent de Paul society in its ministry to the poor.