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IN TODAY'S GOSPEL Jesus makes clear that all of divine law is summed up in a love which embraces the totality of our relationship with God, self and neighbour. Serving our neighbour draws us more fully into the heart of God, and knowing ourselves loved by God propels us to love our neighbour. There are no limitations or boundaries to love: it is not a minimum expectation but a maximum commitment of ourselves to God, through imitation of His son, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for the world.

Loving our neighbour, as the first reading tells us, extends to caring for the aliens in our land, the widows and orphans, the poor. Early in our marriage our faith was enlivened by hour of volunteering as we sought to be in solidarity with those on the margins. Our youthful faith was challenged as our family grew, and our available time and energy shrunk. It called us to enter more deeply into the complexity of the great commandment and to spend more time in prayer.

Returning to the source of all love helps us to discern how we can be in solidarity with our neighbour in new ways. May God's grace help us, like the Thessalonians, to receive "the word with joy," seeking continuously to be people of justice, living our faith in a way that makes love known. *(Reflection of Vanessa & Michael Nicholas-Schmidt of Living with Christ)*



Mass Intentions

Monday, October 26, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Rizalto Javier

Tuesday, October 27, 2020

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Andrew Kim

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Frank and Sylvia

Thursday, October 29, 2020 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Lea Urbanic

Birthday Wishes for Giuliana Kordae's 1st Birthday
Special Intentions for the Fernandez Family

Friday, October 30, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Frances Cadeau

Saturday, October 31, 2020 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Ignacio, Susana & Ernesto Young
+ Jacob Castiel Salas

4:30 p.m. + Joseph Yung Fu and Maria Kee Sau Yuan

Sunday, November 1, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Emerson and Leonor Cornelio

9:30 a.m. Deceased members of the Wong & Leung Family

11:00 a.m. + Juan Chin

Dear Parishioners:

I must say, as I do every week, I am always inspired by the turnout of parishioners at our weekend, as well as weekday Masses. While I know some are unable to attend, out of concern for their health, due to COVID-19, it has been a great joy to celebrate the Eucharist with as many as possible. I am grateful, also, that we now have the capacity to offer a live-streaming option for all our Masses, both for the weekend and weekday Masses, so parishioners can join us from their homes, and unite with us, as they recite the Act of Spiritual Communion prayer.

This weekend, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the young people of our parish. We already had our First Communion Masses. We have been careful to ensure these Masses are in smaller groups, following the guidelines of social distance, the wearing of masks, and the sanitizing of hands. In order to help those attending, we held a webinar for all parents, and children, with live visuals of the church, so that they might appreciate what to expect when returning to church for these celebrations. A special thanks to our Youth Director, Jessica Bews, and seminarian-intern, Sean Jacob, who hosted the webinars. It also allowed time for questions and the opportunity to speak about the importance of the Sacraments. I know many felt much better about the process and were more at peace. More importantly, the vast majority of parents and youth decided to move forward, knowing we were offering a number of different options. The other good news is that we can now provide a link to the live-streaming of each of the masses, so that grandparents, friends and others can watch from their homes, including relatives and friends from other parts of the city, country, and even overseas. Please pray for all the young people as they grow in faith.

Finally, you may have heard that Venerable Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, will be beatified on Sunday, October 31st at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Conn. The Mass of Beatification will be broadcast live on Catholic TV, EWTN and Salt and Light /TV. The Mass will also be livestreamed on the [Knights of Columbus website](#) with Spanish, French and Polish translations available.

This is a great moment of recognition for this holy priest, and for all the men (past and present), who serve the Church as members of the Knights of Columbus. We formed a Chapter of the Knights of Columbus, at St. Edward's Parish, 5 years ago. Please pray for them in their service to the parish community.

In closing, let us pray for one another, especially in these very challenging times. Let us also pray for the discovery of an effective vaccine for COVID-19.

OCTOBER 25th, 2020

God Bless you. Please stay healthy and be safe.

Msgr. Pat

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry is now being conducted virtually (on-line). For more information, contact Jessica Bews, our Youth Director, at one of the following links:

Instagram: @st.edsym

Email: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com

ATTENTION: UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Please note that there are wonderful opportunities for Catholic university students to meet other students on campus in support of one's religious life and faith formation. In particular, incoming students may wish to know about the wide range of chaplaincies and Catholic student activities at York, Ryerson, and the University of Toronto (Newman Centre), among other locations.

Keith Villanueva, a University student, and a parishioner at St. Edward's Church, has kindly offered to connect other students to the various opportunities at all our local universities. You may contact Keith at one of the following:

E-Mail: keithardenvillanueva@gmail.com

Cell: (416) 825-0884

Instagram: @_kavill

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FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

The program for those who may wish to learn more about the Catholic faith, and/or who may wish to join the Catholic Church, is known as the Rite Of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). This past year, we welcomed 14 new Catholics into our parish community through baptism or Reception into Full Communion. Sr. Eva Janning, who coordinates this course so wonderfully each year, has announced that anyone who wishes to consider becoming a Catholic for this coming year, should contact her by filling in the special forms available on our parish website: <http://www.stedward.ca>

The program commenced on October 14th and it continues every Wednesday. Depending on numbers, and social distance, Sr. Eva may teach and communicate with you, either in a small class setting, or on line, or a combination of both. This is still being looked into. However, the program

will indeed proceed. Please contact Sr. Eva, or Msgr. Pat, if more information is needed, or if you need assistance with the information provided on the parish website.

Join the Cardinal's Dinner on TV and Online

This year's Cardinal Dinner is going virtual and everyone is invited to join for this inspirational night from the comfort of their home.

On Thursday, November 5, 2020 starting at 7:00 p.m., the Cardinal's Dinner will be broadcasted on [Salt and Light TV](#) and livestreamed on [the Archdiocese of Toronto's Facebook page](#). The one-hour program will feature musical performances, profiles of Cardinal's Dinner charitable beneficiaries and an interview with Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

Over the past 40 years, the Cardinal's Dinner has raised more than \$6 million for local charities and are hoping that the parishioners of the Archdiocese of Toronto will continue this much needed tradition of generosity during these difficult times.

There is no cost to join the evening, but if you can support your neighbours who need support during the COVID-19 pandemic, [we would welcome your gift here](#).

More information is to come on a special takeout/delivery dinner option for the evening of the Cardinal's Dinner.

We look forward to welcoming you to our virtual table!

Lectio Divina with Cardinal Thomas Collins

November 1, 2020

Theme: Anxiety in the Night

Psalm 6

Vespers (evening prayer): 7:00 p.m.

Lectio Divina: 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.

Watch the livestream at www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live or tune in to Salt + Light TV.

See schedule at www.saltandlighttv.org/lectiodivina

SHARELIFE SUNDAY

All contributions made to ShareLife from now until November 8th, will be matched up to a total of \$500,000,

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thanks to a generous donor. You can also give securely
online at: sharelife.org/donate.

Please give generously