

ALL SAINTS

TODAY WE CELEBRATE and give thanks for the witness and companionship of those we call the saints. The communion of saints includes, in its broadest sense, not only those formally recognized by the Church but also the exemplary people of faith whom we encounter in our communities and our families. The saints – both those who have gone before us and those who walk among us still – are icons of holiness, windows through which we glimpse the face of God.

All of us are called to holiness, to a life shaped by Gospel values. Today’s reading of the Beatitudes offers us some guidelines. Bombarded by the lures of consumerism, we are called to be poor in spirit. In a world beset by war and violence, we are called to be peacemakers. In a society that prioritizes competitiveness and ruthless individuality, we are called to be humble. Where grief and discouragement prevail, we are called to be merciful. In the face of injustice, we are invited to “hunger and thirst for righteousness.”

Today we pray for the grace to recognize that we are all called to be saints. In the words of the psalm, may we live with “lean hands and pure hearts,” as we look forward in hope to sharing in the light of eternal life.

(Reflection of Krystyna Higgins of Living with Christ)



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 2, 2020

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Wong & Leung Family

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Margaret Edet

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Margaret Edet
Special Intentions of the Fernandez Family

Thursday, November 5, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Margaret Edet

Friday, November 6, 2020

8:30 a.m. + Margaret Edet

Saturday, November 7, 2020 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Margaret Edet
+ Conchita S. Flores
+ Katherine Mauser

4:30 p.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Sunday, November 8, 2020

8:00 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho
9:30 a.m. + Mario Romano
11:00 a.m. + Athena Autea Ton

Dear Parishioners:

Last weekend, we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation for the young people of our parish. We already had our First Communion Masses. 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, and all the teachers and volunteers. 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 were able to provide a link to the live-streaming of each of the masses, so that grandparents, friends and others could 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.

Venerable Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, was beatified on Saturday, October 31st at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Conn. The Mass was live-streamed 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 as Knights of Columbus. A Chapter of the Knights of Columbus, at St. Edward's Parish was formed 5 years ago. Please pray for them as they serve 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.

God Bless you. Please stay healthy and be safe.

Msgr. Pat

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. For those unable to attend Mass, feel free to email the Parish, with intentions, drop them off during the week, or mail them directly to the Parish, and we will add their names for the month of November.

A special prayer for All Souls will be offered at each Mass.

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

R.C.I.A.

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).

The preparation program for those considering becoming Roman Catholic began on October 14 and runs each Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

St. Eva Janning, who coordinates the course, will teach some of the classes, in person, with social distance guidelines, and other sessions may be online. If still interested, please contact her by filling in the special forms available on our Parish website: <http://www.stedward.ca>

Lectio Divina with Cardinal Thomas Collins

This Sunday, 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

THANK YOU TO ALL VOLUNTEERS

Msgr. Pat wishes to thank all who have volunteered during this time of pandemic in our Parish and who continue to do so.

The whole Parish community is most grateful for the dedication and commitment of volunteers that help us to keep our church open and safe.

Cardinal Collins wishes to thank all the volunteers from all our Parishes at a special Mass, on Wednesday, November 4th at 7:30 a.m., which will be live-streamed from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Let us pray for all who make it possible for us to keep our churches open.

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!



All contributions made to ShareLife from now until November 8th, will be matched up to a total of \$500,000, thanks to a generous donor. You can also give securely online at: sharelife.org/donate.

Please give generously