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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: By Appointment

First Friday of the Month

Adoration/Benediction

Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Baptism: Contact the office to register your child. Baptism dates assigned at time of interview with Priest or Deacon.

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Patrick O’Dea, C.H.H. – *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*

Sr. Eva Janning, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*

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Parish Ministries

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CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S GOSPEL DELIVERS a sobering message. Jesus is at the height of His popularity because of the miracles the crowds are witnessing and the wisdom He is imparting as He teaches. The throng realizes this person is unique and claims to be the son of God. As more people listen to Him, Jesus drops a bombshell: you cannot be a followers if you don't renounce everything and everyone else. That's straight black-and-white talk.

I think back to a hymn we sang 50 years ago at a prayer meeting. It was rousing with simple, meaningful lyrics. *Though none go with me, I still will follow...the world behind me, the cross before me.* After singing that hymn, I began to ponder the words. I meant what I was singing, Jesus had to become my focus, my purpose for living, and the centre of all my thoughts and actions. My allegiance was to Christ and no other. Jesus had to become much more than my Sunday hour at Mass. That's quite the commitment.

This responsibility to make Jesus our cornerstone can be daunting and solitary. However, our focus on the challenge has to be coupled with a trust that we are not alone in making this commitment. God will provide the grace and faith we need to follow Him.

(Reflection of Gerry Sobie of Living with Christ)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a program for **children aged 3-7** which features prayers and the Gospel reading tailored for young children's understanding and attention.

We will begin the program on **Sunday, September 18, 2022 at the 9:30am Mass**. The program's aim is to make the Liturgy of the Word accessible to young children and make their experience of the Mass as meaningful and understandable as possible. Children will be invited to the Parish Hall during the beginning of Mass and will return at the Prayers of the Faithful.

This year, we shall be combining Children's Liturgy with the previous Little Lambs program as a single program for all children to enjoy and grow.

At this time, we would kindly ask any interested parents or guardians to complete the online registration form at the following link: <https://forms.gle/qtbEuJsjqyKFhmgC7>



Monday, September 5, 2022

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Bernadita Monzon

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. For Our Holy Father Pope Francis
Special Intention of Christopher Tsang

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Regina King

Thursday, September 8, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Friday, September 9, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Emily Doherty

Saturday, September 10, 2022 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Elinda Caballero
Special Intention of Christopher Tsang

4:30 p.m. + Patrick Saldanha

Sunday, September 11, 2022

8:00 a.m. + Barbara & Claude Clarke
+ Hiram & Steven Amoroso
9:30 a.m. + Deceased Members of Iadipaolo Family
11:00 a.m. + Elba Eugenia Avellaneda

INFORMATION MEETING FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH – 12:00 NOON

For those who may be discerning the Catholic faith, and perhaps wishing to learn more about the process, please note that there will be an information session following the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 11th, at 12:00 Noon in the parish hall. Sr. Eva Janning and Msgr. Pat will be on hand to welcome you and to answer questions about the coming fall course (which begins on Wednesday, September 21st).

ST. EDWARD'S 55+ SENIORS GROUP

Greetings parishioners: - our seniors group will be returning to regular weekly meetings on Wednesday, September 7th in the parish hall at 1:00 pm. This first meeting will also welcome all knitters, crocheters and anyone wishing to learn and support our charities. Come out at 11:30 am on September 7th, before the regular meeting. We look forward to welcoming you all back. For more information, please contact: Marie Heard 416-222-5139 or Lorena Chioran 416-398-0973.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

Dear Parishioners:

I am happy to inform that His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, in consultation with St. Augustine's Seminary, has approved a new seminarian-intern for our parish for the coming year. His name is Alvin Thevalakkara Joys. His appointment will commence on September 13th, and I look forward to welcoming him. He will be introduced to the parish on the weekend of September 18th. I must say I am already intrigued by the last name of our new seminarian ("Joys"); I have a feeling that says it all!

This summer we have been pleased to host a seminarian resident at the parish (Alphonse Choi); he has been working at the Archdiocese of Toronto and we were asked to provide a home for him while he worked there. As you know, in the brief time he has been with us, he has chosen to assist us on weekends at the parish, as well as weekday morning Mass. Despite his not being full-time in parish ministry, he has made a great impression in the short time he has been with us. He returns to the seminary on August 28th (same day as Jeremy).

God has gifted our parish with wonderful seminarians the past few years, and I am deeply grateful to all of you for the support and encouragement you provide to them, by way of your prayers, hospitality and feedback in their ministry. This is a very important role for all of us as we help in the formation process for those who are discerning the priesthood. Thank you so much for your role in helping St. Augustine's Seminary.

Please continue to pray for all vocations in the Church.

*God Bless.
Msgr. Pat*

STUDENT OFFICE WORKERS NEEDED

The students who work in our office (weeknights and weekends), provide great assistance to our parish secretaries and to the parish community. We have two openings for student office workers. Those wishing to apply may submit a brief resume to Msgr. Pat at the parish office (email: pastor.stedward@rogers.com) by September 10th. Suggested age group: high school (age 16 and up) and those of university age. This is an opportunity to provide our youth with a service to our community with some remuneration.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON PROPOSED TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS PLAN FOR TORONTO REFUGEES

On August 15, 2022, Toronto City Council approved the creation of more than 600 new emergency shelter spaces for refugees and refugee claimants by approving the recommendation by City staff to execute an agreement with the hotel at 3 Park Home Ave. in North York. The site is now planned to open in October 2022.

Sojourn House will be the operator of the refugee program at 3 Park Home Ave. Sojourn House has 30+ years of experience providing Emergency Shelter and Transitional Supportive Housing services to newly arrived refugees coming from all parts of the world. Sojourn House already operates sites in Toronto that provide a safe place and an inclusive environment to people who have had the refugee experience. Sojourn House is dedicated to providing the best possible settlement services and programs that help residents transition and integrate into the community.

Supports provided at 3 Park Home Ave. will be based on individual needs, and will include help with the settlement process and case coordination with legal services, assistance with finding permanent housing, employment and education supports, and referrals to healthcare and mental health supports, and other community services. Recreation activities will also be offered on-site to engage residents and children. In addition, the City has made contact with the Toronto District School Board and Toronto Catholic District School Board to help support the children and youth at the site to smoothly transition into local schools.

More information about the proposed refugee shelter at 3 Park Home Ave. is available on the City's 3 Park Home webpage: www.toronto.ca/3parkhome.

If you have any questions about the program please email the Community Engagement Facilitator at 3parkhomeave@gmail.com.

Senior Residence Masses in September 2022

Friday, September 9th – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, September 21st – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

2nd Sunday of the Month – Sept. 11th

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