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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.

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
or 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. Teresa Morrison, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*

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Parish Ministries

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CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O’Dea

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE - Marie Barry

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CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECENTLY MY YOUNG family went on a trip without me. It was the first time I'd ever been substantially away from my youngest child. As my crew exuberantly burst through the front door upon their return, I was overcome by the reality of being with them. To be present in person contained a goodness and a fullness of life that was, truthfully, a bit staggering, especially after many days apart.

Anyone reuniting after an absence on account of work, school or pandemic lockdowns can relate to what it means to be physically with someone: not on the phone or through various technologies, but really, tangibly present. This presence brings a unique confidence in their love, a delight in their person, a peace and unmistakable joy at being together. Such presence is priceless.

As Jesus assures us in today's Gospel, when we gather with others in His name, He is there. Really there. Like my kids at their homecoming, Jesus is palpably present – and with no less exuberance. He's teeming with life and blessings. We can rejoice in His person, relax in His nearness, trust in His unfathomable love.

Gathered together in Jesus' name this day, let us be transformed, revitalized, healed and restored by His promise, contained in the closing words from today's Gospel, that He will be here among us.

Reflection of Nicole Snook of Living with Christ.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2023

We intend to commence Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am mass starting on September 17, 2023.

Children's Liturgy is focused on children between the ages of 4 to 7 who have not received their First Communion to experience the readings and Gospel using easy to understand words and facilitated discussion.

Are you interested in helping children understand the Liturgy of the Word? Children's Liturgy is looking for volunteers for teaching and youth assistants to help our Ministry. Interested parishioners can contact Martin Yeung at martin.c.yeung@gmail.com. Please note all volunteers will require screening.

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

The Little Lambs Ministry will resume on Sunday September 17. Children ages 4 and under are welcome to join their parent/caregiver in the Little Lambs room located in the church basement during Sunday mass at 9:30 a.m. Details can be found on the church's website.

The Little Lambs Ministry is also looking for teachers! If you are age 19+ and love working with children this ministry needs you. We teach the youngest members of our community. For more information please contact Julie Tai at littlelambs.steward@gmail.com



Monday, September 11, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Ellzer Flores

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Olive Mercante
+ Joo Young I'll (Veronica)
+ Carta Maria Rita

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

8:30 a.m. Deceased members of the Soares family

Thursday, September 14, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Nicola Proietti
+ Fr. Dietmar Klose SVD
Special intentions for Fr. Tamas Forrai, SJ

Friday, September 15, 2023

8:30 a.m. In thanksgiving for the Pereira family

Saturday, September 16, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Special intentions for Blackier
+ Rosa G. Maranan
+ Bernadette Carvalho

4:30 p.m. + Malensek family

Sunday, September 17, 2023

8:00 a.m. + Joseph Yuan Yung Fu & Maria Cheung
Kee Sau

9:30 a.m. + Vincenzo & Anna Saracino

11:00 a.m. + Jolanta Ciesielski



GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

A reminder that the casseroles for Good Shepherd Ministries are due the second weekend of the month. Thank you for providing a hot nourishing meal for the homeless people at Good Shepherd Centre.

NORTH YORK FOOD BANK

We collect non-perishable food items for the North York Food Bank the second weekend of the month.

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY

(412 Queen St. East)

Volunteers are needed to serve meals from 2-4 on the first Tuesday of the month and on the fourth Wednesday of the month. If you are able to find two hours a month to serve Good Shepherd's clients, please contact Margaret (telephone 416-226-1449.) Thank you. (Two Covid19 ``vaccines`` are required.)

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

“Gospel” comes from two Old English words “god” meaning “good” and “spell” meaning “news.” The Gospel is Good News, but we often fail to hear the Gospel as good news.

Father David Warren is offering a six-part series on Pope Francis’ letter *The Joy of the Gospel*. His series will begin on Monday, September 11. We will meet on Zoom from 9:45 to 11:00 a.m.

If you haven’t already signed up for Father Dave’s Bible Study Group, you can sign up on the parish website. Just look under the heading *Latest News* and follow the link to Father Dave’s Bible Study Group.

The Good News is ours to re-discover.

DISCERNING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you are discerning becoming a Roman Catholic, Msgr. Pat invites you to consider attending the R.C.I.A. classes, which will start on Wednesday, September 20th and consecutive Wednesdays. It is important, as part of the registration, to first meet with Msgr. Pat so he can explain the process and answer any questions you may have. A registration form will then be filled in. Simply contact the parish office at pastor.stedward@rogers.com or 416-221-9131.

SEASON OF CREATION 2023

The annual event of the Season of Creation begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology).

Each year a theme is chosen by an ecumenical steering committee and in 2023 inspiration is taken from Amos 5:24 that proclaims, “Let Justice and Peace Flow” and the symbol is “A Mighty River.”

An introductory video and resources to observe this season at home and school may be found at the following links:

Resources:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/145WzDi32U8YdlyY9Peo1bn-aLqyi4cl6/view>

SENIOR RESIDENCE MASSES - SEPTEMBER

Monday 18th – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday 20th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

POST-SECONDARY CAMPUS MINISTRY AND CHAPLAINCY CONNECT

Are you headed to university or college this fall? Campus Ministry is waiting for you! Connect with campus ministry to find a welcoming community of friends and faith. Visit

<https://ocytoronto.org/chaplaincyconnect> to check out campus ministry on your campus!

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRIES 60TH ANNIVERSARY

You are invited to attend a celebration of Good Shepherd Ministries 60 years of service (1963-2023) to the homeless and marginalized in Toronto, on Sunday, September 17, 2023. A special Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. in St. Paul’s Basilica. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall. Tours of Good Shepherd Ministries are available. If planning to attend, please RSVP to Margaret, at 416-226-1449 by Friday, September 8th.

THE 109TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is “Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay.” In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said “...I was a stranger, and you welcomed me” reminding us that the Lord’s words are a “constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door.”

CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. MICHAEL & CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our Archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023 - 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica

.. All are welcome to join in the special celebration. Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

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