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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.*

Matthew Tulio – *Seminarian*

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Parish Ministries

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CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE - Marie Barry

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LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Migrants and Refugees

IF WE LOOK at our life, we will most likely be able to relate to the workers in today's Gospel parable. Some days we are the early workers in the vineyard: putting in the effort to live good and holy lives, having "borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat," but seeing other people receive the same rewards without putting in the same amount of work. We start comparing and get stuck in an "it's not fair" mindset. Other days, we might relate more to the workers who started late: we realize the Lord blessed us when we least deserved it, and we are made aware of God's merciful nature.

We live in a culture that focuses heavily on rewards. And we sometimes apply this to our relationship with God: do a certain work, receive certain blessings. But God's ways are not our ways, and His thoughts are above our thoughts.

The Father's heart is full of compassion: He sees us waiting, He sees us struggling to find our place. He knows we're worried, and He's aware of the burdens we are carrying. The Lord has called us to work in His vineyard. What a privilege it is to have been chosen! Isn't being chosen by the Lord a reward in itself? Take a moment to thank the Father for choosing you today.

(Reflection of Myriam Fernandes of Living with Christ)



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2023

We intend to commence Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am Mass started 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 resumed 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 25, 2023

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Aurora Lopez

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Carta Maria Rita
+ Romeo Reyes
Special Intention for Margarida Lei

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

8:30 a.m. Special Intentions for Abraham & Sarah Kim

Thursday, September 28, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Denzil Sequeira
+ Chan Shee & Cheong Hing
+ Julia Hung
Birthday Wishes for Grace Amoroso

Friday, September 29, 2023

8:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving – Pereira Family

Saturday, September 30, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Special intentions for Msgr. Pat
+ Francis Kim
+ Denzil Sequeira
Thanksgiving for Jack Sheedy's Healing

4:30 p.m. + James Hutchinson

Sunday, October 1, 2023

8:00 a.m. + Grace, Mike & Rocco Sanseverino
9:30 a.m. + Deceased Members of Saracino Family
11:00 a.m. + Consuelo Pabalan

Banns for Ordination

Mr. Jeremy Ling Hong Zou is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the **Archdiocese of Toronto** on **October 14, 2023** at **St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Parish, Markham ON**. Please remember him in your prayers.

Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

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 began 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.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

Welcome

Hello, my name is Matthew Tulio and I'm the new seminarian-intern! I was born and raised in Toronto near Don Mills and Eglinton. My home parish is St. John XIII. Before entering seminary, I finished my undergraduate studies at the University of Toronto with a double major in Neuroscience and Environmental Biology and a minor in Classics. My interests include music, chess, and eating pastries. My favourite composer (as of now) is Tchaikovsky. I'm excited to journey with you all this year.

Kind regards,
Tulio

Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

Seminarian Daniel Donghoon Lee and Jeremy Ling Hong Zou will be ordained to the transitional diaconate. The Archbishop of Toronto, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, will preside at each of the ordinations:

Sunday, October 8, 2023 - Daniel Donghoon Lee –
St. Lawrence Martyr (2210 Lawrence Ave., Scarborough)
– 11:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, October 14, 2023 - Jeremy Ling Hong Zou –
St. Agnes Kouying Tsao (2130 Rodick Rd, Markham)
– 10:00 a.m. Mass

September 30th/October 1st, 2023 Special Collection - Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation

As part of our ongoing efforts towards healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country.

The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised close to 40 percent of the \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops. The archdiocese will contribute \$6 million towards the national pledge. The collection on September 30th/October 1st provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information or to donate online please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation - Thank you for your generosity!

55+ Seniors

The 55+ seniors group meet – Wednesdays 1 – 3 pm.
Knitters and crocheters meet – 11:30 – 12:00 Noon. Join us on Sept. 27th for Anna Conti Hodgson – The Importance of Pre-Planning End of Life Service. All are Welcome!

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 started on Wednesday, September 20th and will continue on 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.

CWL

All women of the parish are invited to a General Meeting on Tuesday September 26th at 6:00 pm in the church hall. We will have our annual potluck dinner and paper bag auction. For more information please contact Marie Barry at askmarieb@yahoo.ca or at 647-351-3788. New faces welcome, we are looking forward to seeing you! Feel free to bring a friend.

Archbishop Leo invites you to join ShareLife's fight against hunger

"It is heart-wrenching and unacceptable that anyone today lacks access to food which is a most basic human right," shares Archbishop Francis Leo. "Our parishioners are taking action in response to the Lord's call to feed the hungry. Since the earliest days of the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the faithful have cared for those in need, on the margins of society and we continue this life-giving legacy." Please support the fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for reaching out with the hands of Christ to feed the hungry.

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 29th, 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.

The Archbishop has also invited everyone to join in a special novena leading up to the Feast of St. Michael, starting Sept. 20th. A special email (FLOCKNOTE) was sent to all parishioners on Sept. 19th, informing how to join in the novena. If you are not on our FLOCKNOTE messaging, be sure the parish office has your email up to date.

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