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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

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139

CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O’Dea

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE - Marie Barry

askmarieb@yahoo.ca 647-351-3788

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CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY WE (AND the chief priests and elders) are confronted by the parable of the two sons asked to work in the vineyard. One son hesitated, the other lied about going. Jesus asks, “Which of the two did the will of his father?”

The correct answer: neither son is the model to follow!

Let’s face it – in our own faith lives we often hesitate to do what is right. Even the great saint (and sinner) Augustine wrote, “Late have I loved thee, my Lord.” And perhaps worse, we can all admit to pledging to do the right thing, and yet failing to do so.

But let’s also move from an individualistic to a collective reading of this test. In this last weekend of the Season of Creation, have we done enough to create ecological justice? Has our faith community hesitated to foster justice and reconciliation with Indigenous people?

Today we are asked to recognize that words alone are not what is important. Words lose meaning when our actions contradict them. Our action in the world is what defines our character and our real faith.

Fortunately, we know that it is never too late to respond to Jesus. It is never past time to listen, to embrace conversion and to act in response to God’s loving (but oh so challenging!) invitation. (*Reflection of Joe Gunn of Living with Christ*)



CHILDREN’S LITURGY 2023

Held each Sunday during the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Children should attend the beginning of Mass, and then they will be called forward for a blessing and join their teachers and parents for a Liturgy of the Word in the parish hall. They will be escorted back to the church following the Gospel for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This program is for those 4 to 7 who have not yet received their First Communion in order to experience the readings and Gospel using easy to understand words and facilitated discussion. Children’s Liturgy is looking for volunteers for teaching and youth assistants to help. 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 is for children ages 4 and under. They should attend the beginning of mass, and then they will be called forward for a blessing with the teachers, and their parents/guardians, and then proceed to the Little Lambs room located in the church basement. Parents/Guardian must accompany their children to this class. This Ministry is also looking for teachers, aged 19+. Contact Julie Tai at littlelambs.stedward@gmail.com All persons working with children will need a police screening.



Monday, October 2, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Ching-Yock & Ho-Leung Lo

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Ella Pereira

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Soares Family

Thursday, October 5, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + May Jin-Mui Xu
+ Isidro, Hipolito & Juan Chin
+ Lydia Gorspe

Friday, October 6, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Stephen Leung

Saturday, October 7, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Constance Quail
+ Julia Hung
Special Intentions for Edward Smith
Special Intentions for Mateo Veiga
Special Intentions for Susanna Lo

4:30 p.m. + Deceased Members of Zelko Family

Sunday, October 8, 2023

8:00 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho
9:30 a.m. + George Greive
11:00 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Antonio & Nonna Tina

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.

St. Michael’s College School

The Office of Admissions of St. Michael’s College School is now considering applications for September 2024. St. Michael’s College School is Ontario’s only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7 to 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 19th and Tuesday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m. Register at ApplySMCS.com

OCTOBER 1, 2023

Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

Daniel Donghoon Lee and Jeremy Ling Hong Zou will be ordained to the transitional diaconate. Jeremy is our former seminarian-intern, and Daniel worked in the parish this summer. The Archbishop of Toronto, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, will preside at each of their ordinations. All parishioners are invited to attend the ordinations at:

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

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

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 to first meet with Msgr. Pat so he can 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.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- 1. How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- 2. How to create your own legacy**
- 3. About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials, and funerals**

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link: <https://QRCO.de/oct14>
3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write “webinar Oct 14” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive: Weekend of October 7th/8th, 2023



In addition to the monthly “Neighbourhood Link” North York Food Bank Drive we will host our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Good Shepherd Ministries. We will collect non-perishable food items the weekend of **October 7th/8th**. **Urgently needed items are: canned meats, canned fruits, canned tuna & salmon, canned soups and stews, peanut butter, ground/instant coffee, breakfast cereals, pasta & sauces, cookies and crackers, tea, jams, sugar & rice.**

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection – September 30/October 1, 2023

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of September 30/October 1 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture.

This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, 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.

Lay Pastoral Visitors Training

The next Lay Pastoral Visitors Training will be offered online on **Thursdays, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.** This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Those who take communion to your family member are also invited to attend this online course as it will greatly enhance our understanding of our role to be a Extraordinary Minister to the sick or when we take communion to either your family member or friend.

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited. This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship and Saint Monica Institute.

Register: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2023>

Download poster: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-PosterOctNov2023>

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