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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*

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SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Christ the King

IN TODAY'S READINGS we are invited to reflect on the image of Christ – our King. This may evoke different ideas for us. For some, it reminds us of a story we read in our childhood, while for others it brings to mind their study of kings of a past historical era. The idea of a king may seem paradoxical given our society's emphasis on equality. Yet the idea of someone with the ability to rise above who can grant special favours is also a part of this idea.

Imagine a king so capable of granting gifts and requests that other kings seek him out. A king of kings ready to answer our deepest desires. While holding this image in mind, consider the words of Christ the King in the Gospel today: "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Is it possible that through these words He is granting us a favour we are seeking, in the form of an answer to these deepest desires?

Today let us reflect on Christ as our king. Jesus rises above the everyday and is capable of granting us special favours – if only we have the courage to approach the throne of God and ask for what we want.

(Reflection of John O'Brien of Living with Christ)

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/Guardians must accompany their children to this class.

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.

Good Shepherd Ministry

We are looking for volunteers to serve meals to the needy at the Good Shepherd Refuge on the 2nd Thursday and/or 4th Wednesday each month from 2 – 4 PM. If you are interested, please contact Margaret at 416-226-1449 for more details.

New Sunday Missals

The new St. Joseph Sunday Missals for 2023 – 2024, are available at the office, for persons wishing to obtain their own copy. Each Missal costs \$5.00.



Monday, November 27, 2023

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Analisa Amoroso

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Healing for Martin Sun Yuen Poon
+ Michael McCostly
+ Krzysztof Kotyra
Deceased Members of the Szeto Family

Wednesday, November 29, 2023

8:30 a.m. + Domenico & Grazia De Santis

Thursday, November 30, 2023 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Anthony Pillai
+ Giulia, Pompilio & Amilcare Iannucci
Healing & Blessings for Umberto & Lucia De Santis
+ Gloria C. Gomez
+ Sean Murphy

Friday, December 1, 2023

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

Saturday, December 2, 2023 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Zully Rujano
+ Tony Martins
+ Betty Crosby
Blessings & Healing for Janet

4:30 p.m. + Catherine Chang

Sunday, December 3, 2023

8:00 a.m. Blessings for Emma Grace Laughlan
9:30 a.m. + N. Morreli
11:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for all Blessings & Prayers Answered

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – Share Your Ideas to assist with future planning!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, read the letter of invitation from the Archbishop and **complete the short survey by December 15, 2023**, please visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation. Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

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.



The month of November offers us the opportunity to pray for our deceased in a special remembrance at all Masses.

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. A special prayer intention will be offered at each daily Mass in November.

A prayer for the month of November.

"Lord, Jesus, our Redeemer, you willingly gave yourself up to death so that all people might be saved and pass from death to new life.

Listen to our prayers, and look with love on your people who mourn and pray for their brother/sister.

Lord Jesus, holy and compassionate, forgive their sins. By dying you unlocked the gates of life for those who believe in you: do not let our brother/sister be parted from you. but by your glorious power give him/her light, joy and peace in heaven where you live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May he/she Rest in Peace. Amen!"

Message from a Person who Utilized the Food Bank

“As a single mom, it’s always a challenge to put food on the table at a certain time of the month. When the money we receive from the government runs out because of bills and things that the kids need and activities, the food hub for me and my family comes in handy because it takes the weight off my shoulders of knowing that I’m getting extra help but also gives me comfort knowing that I’m not alone because there are individuals that help us feel like we’re not just a charity case but we are family to them and I like the fact that everyone is so helpful. I’m super grateful for everything that the food hub continues to do for us and the fact that you guys are so understanding and so patient with everyone. Even the volunteers are so kind. So thank you to everyone that helps out. I appreciate you guys more than you would ever know, and I’m sure many others feel the exact same way.”

NORTH YORK FOOD BANK
“NeighbourhoodLink”

Parishioners are welcome to bring non-perishable food items for the second weekend of each month and place them in the bin located in the lobby of the church. This is a wonderful opportunity to assist those in need who live within our own community of North York.



ANGEL TREE

Our annual parish Angel Tree program, is more urgent than ever before, especially as we transition to post-COVID times. As in past years - tags identifying the age and gender of children of our NIN’s (Neighbours In Need) families will be displayed in the foyer at Christmas time.

In order to ensure a safe environment for all involved, and empower the parents to provide a meaningful gift to their children, the program recommends the giving of **department store gift cards**.

As in past years, we shall be helping the families served by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish, St. Clare’s parish, as well as assistance to the homeless served by the Good Shepherd Ministries in Toronto. We shall also assist the Catholic Children’s Aid Society.

How to get a Tag

You can get tags from the two Angel Trees which will be in the foyer this weekend Nov. 25th/26th.

How to Return the Tag

You may return **gift cards** on the weekends of **December 2/3, 9/10** or even mail them in to us. A gift box for returns will be located on a table by the parish office.

THE OTHER MAJOR CHRISTMAS DRIVE

In addition to the Angel Tree, please remember we have the special St. Vincent de Paul collection next weekend December 4th/5th, as another option of supporting our Neighbours In Need at Christmas. This particular collection also assists the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish to maintain their funding for their important ministry throughout the year, and not simply at Christmas. Thank you, also, for remembering the poor with contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box located in the church lobby.

This parish has always been very generous in their efforts to support the poor and needy and we are all indeed grateful.

May God bless all our special efforts in helping the poor and the needy.



Offertory envelopes for 2024 are available in the hall. The boxes are in alphabetical order. Please check your name and address on the box. If there is a change of address, please contact the Parish office.

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