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A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

*In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You
thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all
who struggle with hunger and want.*

Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.

*And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.*

Amen

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Last Sunday, Pope Francis named 21 new Cardinals and the list included His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo of Toronto, whose new title is now: His Eminence. This was indeed a great surprise to so many but such joyous news, not only for the Archdiocese of Toronto, but the Church universal. The Mass in Rome in which he will receive the "red hat" will be on December 8, 2024, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Please keep His Eminence in your prayers.

I also wish to congratulate Alvin Joys, our former seminarian-intern, who was ordained a Deacon at St. Edward the Confessor Church last Saturday, October 5, by His Excellency Bishop John Boissonneau, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto. The Ordination Mass was live-streamed for those unable to be present. It was such a joy to witness the Ordination of Deacon Alvin and I thank everyone who assisted with the Mass, as well as the social committee and members of the CWL who assisted with the reception. The church was full for the Mass, as well as another 100 or so in the parish hall, and the presence of so many priests made it all the more special. Deacon Alvin will return to offer the homily at all Masses on the weekend of October 26th/27th..

Please also pray for Deacon James Cyfko, who was ordained last weekend at St. Mary's Church, Toronto, and for Jesus Fidel Anon, who will be ordained this weekend at Blessed Sacrament Church, Toronto. It is wonderful to witness the numbers of men who are responding to God's call to serve the Church.

Finally, as announced last week, I am pleased to welcome Maribeth Go as our new Youth Director for the EDGE and LIFE TEEN programs. Keith Villanueva, our current Youth Minister, has been accepted to Teacher's College and is assisting Maribeth in this time of transition. Keith will remain on to assist her over the next weeks, and we will offer him our thanks and greetings more publicly in a few weeks.

In this edition of the bulletin, please note Maribeth's welcome message and information on the start of the youth programs.

Let us continue to pray for one another.

God Bless.

Msgr. Pat



Monday, October 14, 2024

8:30 a.m. Protection of Unborn Children

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Dr. George Woo
Birthday Wishes for Theresa Braumah
Tracy Lo & Terry Ho – Special Intentions
Birthday Wishes for Elissa Lee

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Sr. Theresina Kim

Thursday, October 17, 2024 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Apuya Family
+ Diana Pereira
+ Nemita Dator

Friday, October 18, 2024

8:30 a.m. + Domenic Castel

Saturday, October 19, 2024 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Anthony Martins
Thanksgiving Blessings for
Jasmine Carvalho

4:30 p.m. Birthday Wishes for Andrew Wong

Sunday, October 20, 2024

8:00 a.m. + Pasqualina De Bonis
9:30 a.m. Carlesimo Family
11:00 a.m. + Richard James Stewart

CARDINAL'S DINNER

The annual Cardinal's Dinner, which raises funds for various charities, will be held on Tuesday, November 5, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Guests are asked to arrive at 6 p.m. for 7 p.m. dinner.

Tickets are \$250 per person. This event is one of the largest annual charity dinners held each year in Canada, attracting business people, members from all levels of the government and the Catholic community. For those wishing to book directly on-line, the link is available at: <http://www.archtoronto.org/cardinals-dinner>.

Parishioner Attendance Count

On the weekends of Oct. 19th/20th and 26th/27th, we again ask for your cooperation as we conduct a Parishioner Attendance Count to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese. The ushers will assist in this, and it should not disrupt the Mass. Thank you

Welcome

"Hello! My name is Maribeth, and I'm excited to join St. Edward the Confessor as the new Youth Minister. I'm currently studying Business at York University and commuting from Brampton. Over the past few years, I've been actively involved with the Catholic Chaplaincy at York as an executive member and have also served as a missionary with Totus Tuus. These experiences have deepened my passion for the Youth Ministry and strengthened my commitment to serving the Lord.

In my free time, I enjoy baking—especially cheesecakes—singing, playing the guitar and piano, and watching Korean dramas. I look forward to connecting with the youth here and would be grateful for your prayers for the Youth Ministry at St. Edward the Confessor! God Bless!"

EDGE and Life Teens

"The EDGE ministry for grades 6-8 youth and Life Teen ministry for high school students kicks-off again this October! EDGE will run every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 7-9 PM and will start on October 18. Life Teen will run every 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month from 7-9 PM and will start on October 25th. Join us for some fun, catechesis, and prayer!"

Catholic Women's League General Meeting

All women of the parish are invited to attend the general meeting on Thursday, October 17th, beginning with Mass at 7:00 pm, followed by the meeting in the hall. Wear your favourite fall colours and enjoy a fall tea party and line dancing! Refreshments will be provided. Please join for fun and fellowship, and feel free to bring a friend!

SENIORS INVITED TO MONTHLY AFTERNOON TEA AND COFFEE at HAWTHORN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Msgr. Pat and the students and administrative team at Hawthorn School for Girls are supporting a monthly seniors coffee/tea and baked goods event at their school, run by the Lower School Students who will also showcase their talents through various performances. The food, refreshments and entertainment are all complimentary for seniors as a way of students showing gratitude and respect for their self-giving over the years. The school is located at 101 Scarsdale Road in Scarborough. The Monday afternoon gatherings start at 3:15 p.m. on these dates: October 21, November 18, December 16, January 20, February 10, March 3, April 14, May 12 and June 9. The afternoon gathering starts at 3:15 p.m. For those seniors wishing to attend, please note you are asked to RSVP to Queenie at 416-444-3054, or by email: qyu@hawthornschoo.com

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE STUDYING FOR THE CATHOLIC FAITH

St. Edward's welcomes close to 30 people who have asked to study and discern the Catholic faith through the parish RCIA program. This is a record-high number and a wonderful testament to the people of the parish who have encouraged others to consider joining the Catholic Church. Obviously, they are just beginning their classes, and we invite all parishioners to keep them in prayer, as well as the RCIA Team that will be assisting and teaching them. Let us pray that God may sustain them in their journey of faith to the Easter sacraments. We also pray for their families and sponsors.

Senior Residence Masses – October 2024

Wednesday, October 16th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.
Monday, October 28th – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

World Mission Sunday Special Collection – Oct. 19th/20th

There will be a second collection next weekend of Oct. 19th/20th for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. *Thank you for your support of this important work.*

Thanksgiving Day Prayer

*Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day
We bow our hearts to You and pray.
We give You thanks for all You've done
Especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son.
For beauty in nature, Your glory we see
For joy and health, friends and family.
For daily provision, Your mercy and care
These are the blessings You graciously share.
So today we offer this response of praise
With a promise to follow You all of our days.*

By Mary Fairchild



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