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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. Andrew Taylor – *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*
Sr. Teresa Morrison, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*
John Xerri – *Seminarian*

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Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139

CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O'Dea

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Monica Figueredo
stedwardcwl@gmail.com

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Kim.pacis@kofc.org

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS REMIND us of the time-management lesson about the rocks and the jar. The only way to fit everything into the jar is to begin with the big rocks, then the small ones, followed by the pebbles, sand and water.

The parable in today's Gospel challenges us to think about the big rocks in our life. Our God does not judge based on the things we may find important; wealth, success, status or fame. The fraudulent manager could be seen as squandering his employer's wealth, but he is praised for his shrewdness in building friendships that will last beyond his time of employment.

It is tempting to believe our privilege is given to us as reward for our efforts, and to cling to it. But today's readings make it clear that the big rocks are the things which are eternal. We are called to change the order of things by serving God and lifting up the needy. What form this takes in each of our lives may be different depending on our own context lived experience, power and privilege.

Jesus is entreating us to build something lasting. As beloved children of God, we are called to see beyond what our human eyes can see and to collectively change the order of things – to lift up the needy and to work for the kingdom in the here and now.

(Reflection of Vanessa & Michael Nicholas-Schmidt of Living with Christ)

Message from John

My name is John Xerri and I am 25 years old. I was born in Gozo Malta, and I live in Gozo's smallest village, whose population does not exceed 500 people. I enjoy reading, and playing the piano.

I had never wanted to become a priest. When I was younger I wanted to become a doctor. I entered the University of Malta. When Covid struck and we had to go home, I had the chance to stay with my thoughts. My time alone forced me to face several existential questions that I had struggled to ignore over the years. Over the months that followed, I found a spiritual director and together we discerned my vocation. I eventually applied for the propaedeutic year and was admitted in 2021. I started my seminary formation in the Sacred Heart Major Seminary in the diocese of Gozo in 2022. Now, three years later, I have just embarked on a new adventure, and I will be spending these coming months with you all.

I look forward to meeting you, and I ask that you keep me in your prayers. See you soon,

John



Monday, September 22, 2025

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Charlie Chin

Tuesday, September 23, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Peter Kwan Pil Seo
+ Veronique Hosztafi
Blessings for the Grotto Group Members

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Lydia S. Gorospe

Thursday, September 25, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Peter Boaretto
+ Veronique Hosztafi
+ Feliciana Tiglaio

Friday, September 26, 2025

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Tricia Kavanagh

Saturday, September 27, 2025 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Blessings for St. Vincent de Paul Society Members
+ Lisa Curtis
+ Charlie Kirk
Well Being of Chan Mee Chin & Family
Asylum Hearing for Vincent on Monday 29th

4:30 p.m. + James Hutchinson

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:00 a.m. + Martha & Frederick D'Souza
9:30 a.m. + Sisto Arduini
11:00 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Grace Amoroso

COR PROGRAM A NEW SPIRITUAL PROGRAM FOR THE MEN OF THE PARISH

Msgr. Pat would like to invite the men of the parish to attend a new spiritual program designed to assist men to grow in faith and fellowship. The program is called "COR" (from the Latin, meaning "Heart"). The meeting time is early on a Saturday morning, to allow less disruption of family life. Topics vary, but are meant to assist men in sharing together on mutual interests and themes related to Christian life. There is no need to sign up or to feel obligated to attend all the meetings. The program will run in the parish hall on the first and third Saturdays of the month starting **Saturday, October 4th**.

Schedule as follows:

7:00 a.m. - Hall Doors Open;
Gathering time for social/coffee/refreshments

7:30 a.m. - Themed Talk and Spiritual Discussion

8:30 a.m. - Concludes with Prayer

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

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

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code

2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebSept27

3. send an email to:

Development@ArchToronto.org and write

“webinar September 27” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



Handicraft Holy Land Christians



On the weekend of October 11-12, we will welcome our special guest Sebastien Cardinal, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

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You can visit and support us at www.HolylandChristians.ca

Catholic Girls League (CGL) Circle - Faith, Friendship, Fun & Formation

Thursday, Sept. 25, 2025 - 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Girls ages 10–16 are invited to an evening of fun, faith, and reflection on the life of Mother Teresa, featuring guest speaker **Julia Cusato** on healthy relationships.

“Do small things with great love.”– St. Teresa of Calcutta

<https://stedwardtheconfessor.no.archtoronto.org/en/parish-groups/catholic-girls-league/>

For questions, email Gene: stedward75cgl@gmail.com

ARE YOU CONSIDERING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

R.C.I.A. CLASSES START

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.

For those wishing to register for the course, please visit our parish website and locate the section on "Registration Forms" and download the RCIA application form. Please fill in and return to the parish office or scan and send it as an email (stedwardtheconfessor.no@archtoronto.org). One of the priests will contact you for a meeting. Or – feel free to contact the office directly at **416-221-9131**. Copies of the RCIA form are also available at the parish office.



Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive:

Weekends of October 11th/12th, 2025

Along with our monthly “Neighbourhood Link” North York Food Drive we will have our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Good Shepherd Ministries. We will be collecting non-perishable food items the weekend of **October 11th/12th** for the Good Shepherd Ministries. Your donation will help make it possible for them to continue to offer nutritious meals to those in need.

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.

Children's Ministries

We are also looking for volunteers to help us with Children's Liturgy of the Word and Little Lambs programs as Youth Assistants (ages 13-18) and Teachers (ages 18+). Please contact Melissa Shek (melissa_shek@yahoo.ca) for the Children's Liturgy or Julie Tai (littlelambs.stedward@gmail.com) for Little Lambs. All volunteers will be screened in advance.

Planning Ahead Information Session

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery & Funeral Home will be hosting a **Planning Ahead Information Session on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 7:00 PM.**

This evening event will provide valuable information on the benefits of planning ahead for funeral and cemetery needs, including:

- Easing stress for family members
- Locking in today's prices
- Flexible payment options
- Ensuring personal wishes are honoured

Details:

Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Home located at 211 Langstaff Rd East, Thornhill

- Refreshments will be served
- Complimentary Estate Planning Guide for all attendees

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