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Monday - Saturday
5:30 PM

Sunday
8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon,
7:00 PM

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons
1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed

Friday closed

Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
6:30 to 8:30 pm

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers
Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact ext. 222, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group
Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)
During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

As instructed by the Ministry of Health and the Cardinal's office Public Masses are cancelled.

If a mass has been booked in advance, that intention will be remembered.

Fr. Bob and Fr. Ken are privately offering daily mass for us.

Prayer for Our Doctors

Jesus, Master Physician of all times, Your Divinity did not require a Ph.D. Eagerly, You resurrected the dead, Restoring the health of the sick. Be it physical or spiritual torment, None, were a great obstacle to You: For Your loving power is omnipotent. I ask for Your abounding healing love; Maintain my body and soul vigorous So I may fulfill my daily functions. The world will be conquered by You, All, afflictions will be dissipated!

Prayer

O God who are the only source of health and healing, the Spirit of calm and the central peace of this universe, grant to me such a consciousness of Your indwelling and surrounding presence that I may permit You to give me health and strength and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



He is Risen! Alleluia!



FRIAR'S NOOK

Happy Easter everyone! I hope everyone is safe and rejoicing in the risen Lord. I also hope that everyone was able to tune into the live stream of Masses from Saint Joan of Arc. Sorry about the Palm Sunday glitch, but Facebook decided to "make it easier" to live stream, consequently it took me more than fifteen minutes to get it to work at all! I have learned anyone can watch our Masses even if you don't have a Facebook account because I post them publicly, therefore if you go to <https://www.facebook.com/JoanOfArcToronto> you should be able to see it. You may have to scroll down to find it, as it may not be at the top of the page. At your request we will be sharing a Spiritual Communion at communion time since you can't receive communion with us. It goes:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

I will continue streaming Mass from here at 10:00 AM every Sunday until we are back together again. (I'll also have coffee after mass by myself and wish you were here!) I'm not sure if you know this but I am a wellspring of trivia, some of it even religious. Let me share with you something about the "Hail Mary" that you might not know. Initially the Hail Mary was simply two Bible quotes: "Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with you" spoken by the Angel Gabriel, and "Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb" spoken by Mary's cousin Elizabeth. It wasn't until the bubonic plague was wreaking havoc on the world in the mid 1300's that the second half of what we commonly know as the Hail Mary was added: "holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen." I realized that the Covid 19 virus is not as serious as the black plague, but I don't think it would hurt to pray the Hail Mary, not concentrating on the hour of our death part have but rather pray for us sinners now.

Starting this Wednesday, I will be streaming a bible study on our Facebook page at 2 pm. I invite you to be a part of this as I will be able to see and respond to your comments. It will run for an hour and I will leave it on the page for those who aren't available live to watch later. I'm looking forward to communicating with you this way and hopefully will hear from some of you, so that I know I'm not just talking to myself. I will start with the Acts of the Apostles as it is what we read during the Easter season. It would be helpful for you to have a bible with you so that you can follow along.

I want to thank the overwhelming response we have had to the Canada Helps page. (<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-joan-of-arc-church/>). There has been a steady stream to donations and they go directly into our bank so we can pay our bills.

Be assured that Fr. Ken and myself pray daily for you and an end to this pandemic. Graymoor is currently locked down, so poor Fr. Dan can't leave his room! Pray for him, he's not sick but might lose his mind in confinement!

I look forward to connecting to you on Wednesday, if not you'll see me Sunday!

Easter Peace Fr. Bob

Will there be an Easter this year after this prolonged COVID-19 Lent?"

As I've been talking to people lately, it seems there's a question with this COVID-19 situation. The question is: Will there be an Easter this year after this prolonged COVID-19 Lent?

I've said to them what I've thought myself. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the hallmarks of Lenten self-denial and discipline that we engage in as a Church united in preparation for Easter Joy. These disciplines — prayer, fasting and almsgiving — became less a personal choice this year than an enforced necessity deployed by the whole society to prevent and contain the coronavirus infection. The discipline is now not just for the Church, but for all people, of every race and language, religion and way of life. It's a shared discipline laid upon us, which we hope, as we're told, will bring new life and health to the whole world.

It seems to me that the self-discipline involved in Lent, even when chosen, requires prayer for God's help or it's not sustained. That at least is my personal experience. Learning to share the fruit of our prayer and fasting as Christians calls for almsgiving to help those in need. It's the fruit of our prayer and our fasting that gives us excess that we can then share with others. This consciousness as a church unites us in our Lenten journey.

The disciplines of self-denial, prayer and resource-sharing to which we're today called to employ involuntarily in this crisis as a nation unites us in a shared purpose with all people and all nations. But for all to be united in these efforts with spiritual awareness, shared gratitude, mutual regard for human dignity calls for a shared prayerful awareness among all peoples.

We, as a church, have a gift in our faith to bring this shared consciousness to all, in confident prayer that God is with us in the midst of the struggle, the suffering and even the death brought about by this disease. In the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we find our hope. He, God's only son, exposed himself to our human struggles, injustices and suffering. He has died and is risen from the dead.

Our Lenten and Easter season is the celebration of this. We celebrate it each year to remember: This is to be our way, in truth, to deal with life as it is and as it will unfold in the coming days and weeks. Taken prayerfully, positively and mindfully, this is the Good News we are called to live as faithful witnesses. Even if we cannot preach it directly with words, our shared attitudes of peace, patience, compassion, generosity, hope and love grounded in faith will bear the good fruit of goodwill, hope and shared purpose to all the world. Yes, even if the discipline is enforced on us by imposed moral and legal sanctions, our generosity of heart and the mindfulness of our unity with others can transform our struggles.

Taken together, what we are experiencing personally can be transformed into the compassionate power and love that unites us in the shared purpose of giving life. As Franciscan Friars of the Atonement — spoken "At-One-Ment" — our mission is to awaken all people to the eternal life and salvation we share through our humanity that was brought to share in the divinity of one God through Jesus Christ. We invite you to pray with us through the one who prayed at the end of his human life: That all may be one, that the world may believe. Fr. Dan Callahan, Franciscan Friars of the Atonement



.DAILY MASS TELEVISED

VISION TV 8:00 AM & 12 PM; JOY TV 10:30 AND 4:30 PM; HOPE TV 2:30 PM; YES TV 1:00 PM; SALT AND LIGHT 11:00 AM & 3:00PM

SUNDAY MASS: TELEVISED

VISION TV 8:00 AM; JOY TV 10:30 AM; HOPE TV 2:30 PM; YES TV 10:30 AM.

ON LINE.

During this pandemic, the Cardinal is saying mass each morning followed by the Angelus and the Rosary at 7:30 am, which can be followed on the website of St. Michael's Cathedral.

Message from the Archdiocese

The parishes still have to cover their expenses in this time of unrest. Offertory cheques can be dropped off at the parish mailbox or mailed in. In these times of unrest, don't forget your parish.

*I must search and I must find.
What is at stake, Lord, is the
element wherein, You will to dwell
here on earth. What is at stake is
Your existence among us.
Pierre Teilhard de Chardin
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*To Say that I am made in the image of
God is to say that love is the reason for
my existence, for God is love.
Thomas Merton*

*We wish you and your
families a Happy and
Blessed Easter!
Fr. Bob & Fr. Ken
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