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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

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

PARISH STAFF

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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

Monday, January 18

Hebrews 5:1-10 Psalm 110:1-4

Mark 2:18-22

5:30 pm Int. of the General Council

Tuesday, January 19

Hebrews 6:10-20 Psalm 111:1-2,4-5,9-10 Mark 2:23-28

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5:30 pm Marjory Hosick +

Wednesday, January 20

Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17 Psalm 110

1-4 Mark 3:1-6

5:30 pm Stanislaw Wysocki & Family

Thursday, January 21

Hebrews 7:25- 8:6 Psalm 40:6-9,

16 Mark 3:7-12

5:30 pm The Sick of the Parish

Friday, January 22

Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14 Psalm 47:1-

2,5-8 Mark 3: 20-21

5:30 pm Deceased of the Parish

Saturday, January 23

Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14 Psalm 47

1-2, 5-8 Mark 3:20-21

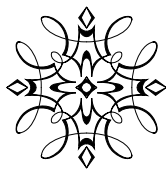
5:30 pm For an end to Covid-19

Sunday, January 24

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 5:4-9

1Corn. 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

10:00 am Ricardo Cabezon++



The Friar's Nook

Well, it's certainly been an eventful week since last I wrote to you. As you can imagine, I was more than greatly dismayed at the riot that took place in Washington DC. In my lifetime I've seen many demonstrations in Washington. These were for civil rights, women's rights, black rights, and the like. They were all aimed at making my country a better place and continuing to try to make real "Liberty and justice for all." That's not what occurred on Wednesday. A person who gave us the term "fake news" and was the greatest purveyor of it and lambasted any media that did not echo his words, invited people to Washington to cause trouble. It seems like something that would happen in a country with a dictator who was seeking to stay in power, not in a country that has tried to stand out for freedom and democracy worldwide. I won't get into the politics of it as I try to stay out of the political fray, but I have lost friends on Facebook who blame everyone but the president.

That, being said as we begin 2021, we have great challenges to face. First of all, we are still in a global pandemic and, although the vaccine seems promising, it won't turn things around immediately and it won't bring back the hundreds of thousands of lives that have been lost. If nothing else, the COVID crisis should remind us of how we are called to care for each other! Staying at home, wearing masks, and sanitizing are all efforts to take care of our brothers and sisters. As you are aware of, Father Ken had COVID and fortunately, through much care, I didn't catch it from him even though we lived in the same house. It can be done. As Dr. Anthony Fauci had stated, the greatest spreaders of the coronavirus, are people who are asymptomatic and think they're fine. It is not about us, it's about who we can keep safe! He also said: "Now is the time, if ever there was one, for us to care selflessly about one another." It's not something we can legislate. Even Pope Francis has said: "At this moment in history, marked by the ecological crisis and grave economic and social imbalances only worsened by the coronavirus pandemic, it is all the more important for us to acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters". A Christian message if ever there was one!

This year hasn't seemed to get off to a good start. The violence across the border, the anger, the hatred, the increase in numbers of those who are sick and dying to name a few. But that should set up our New Year's agenda. While most people make New Years resolutions and break them within a few months, let us try to make a resolution to work for peace, healing, and health in this new year! With prayer and with God's help, we can end this year better than it began and continue to look forward in hope. As Christians we are reminded to be as one with our brothers and sisters here and abroad. It is Christ universal command to "love one another" that should be the directive for our lives. That is not always easy as we allow fear and selfishness to creep in and have us thinking of taking care of ourselves first. You know where those thoughts come from, down below! As we celebrated Jesus' coming a few weeks ago we need to remember that He is still with us and that we should draw our strength from Him. We need to take His hand for strength and guidance and follow where He leads, which is always better than where we would end up on our own.

God is good, and God is in charge, as long as we let go and allow Him to be. Pray for each other and for our world and pray for yourselves that the message of Christ-love- may grow ever stronger this year.

In His Love,

Fr. Bob

Please pray for:

The Sick: Gary Hartnett, Richard Kratz, Doreen Wright and Daniel Olmedo

The Deceased: Patti Lobraccio and Simon Bolduc

The Annual Week of Prayer Service

for the Greater Toronto Area: Sunday January 24, 2021

4:00 p.m. Please join us virtually at:

[facebook.com/agincourtcommunitychurch](https://www.facebook.com/agincourtcommunitychurch)

This event is hosted by the Salvation Army and sponsored by the Archdiocese of Toronto's Office for Promoting Christian Unity & Religious Relations with Judaism, and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Church

Friar's Student Writing Contest 2021

"Abide in My Love... You shall bear much Fruit". Read John 15: 1-17 consult resources and submit a 500 word essay that answers the give questions. Submission date is February 14,2021. Submit essays by email: Re:"Friars' Contest" to editor@catholicregister.org , For information call 416-934-3400 ext 527 or 1 855 4414077 ext. 401. For contest details and resources please visit:

www.catholicregister.org/writingaward and

[Http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristian/en/settimana-di-preghiera-per-1-unit-unita/en.html](http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristian/en/settimana-di-preghiera-per-1-unit-unita/en.html)

Religions of the Service of Fraternity in Our World

From: Rev. Anthony Pakash Lohale, OP, Director

"...the goal of dialogue is to establish friendship, peace and harmony, and to share spiritual and moral values and experiences in a spirit of truth and love..." As we celebrate the Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas on Jan 28, join us for "Religions at the service of Fraternity in our World," An online panel discussion with Muslim and Catholic speakers on Pope Francis' encyclical Fratelli tutti (on Fraternity and Social Friendship). For more information: <http://bit.ly/ReligionsAtTheServicePoster>. To register go to <https://bit.ly/ReligionsAtService>

St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation Program: The Songs of the Angels in the Book of Revelation.

A virtual event: Saturday, January 23- 9:30 am to 1 pm. After a brief introduction to the book of Revelation, this talk will explore the hymns of the apocalypse, their role and function, and St John's message of hope in a time of crisis. Presented by Msgr. Robert Nusca. Cost \$25.00 to register go to <https://bit.ly/hymnssoftheangels> Website:www.staugustines.on.ca Phone 416-261-72-7207

People are asking:

1) How can I get my offertory envelopes to you? They can be mailed In or if you are walking by the church be put in the mailbox. Fr Bob continues to check the mailbox several times a day.

To make life easier for yourself and the office, one cheque can be written for your donations, this is also easier for the office. And one envelope used..

When making donations to SVDP. Please make a separate cheque payable to *the Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Joan of Arc Conference*. Those envelopes are given to the treasurer who sends out their receipts at the end of the year. Their account is separate from the parish.

2) How can I get my Offertory Box of envelopes? If you call the office and leave a message for Rosanne telling her when you can collect your box, she will leave you box in the mailbox outside the door to the office.

With the new lock down she hopes she will be in the office Tuesdays and Thursdays. She is still waiting for direction from the Archdiocese.

Some Humour!

Maybe they call it middle age because that is where it shows first.

Middle age is when you know all the answers, and nobody asks you the questions.

The hardest decision in life is when to start middle age.

How many make a dozen? "Twelve"
And how many make a million?
"Very few".

(Taken from Bob Phillips
Encyclopedia of Good Clean Jokes)

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