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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO

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### New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

### Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are held on the 4th Sunday of every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

### Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM  
 Every 2nd & 4th Friday: 7:30 PM  
 (or by appointment)

### MASS

Sunday Eucharist  
 Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)  
 Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM  
*Children's Liturgy at: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM Mass*

*Weekday Eucharist*  
 Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM  
 Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:00 AM

\* Morning Prayer / Evening Prayer  
 (One half hour before Mass)

### DEVOTIONS

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 First Fridays (excluding holidays) 9:30 AM - 7:00 PM

*Holy Hour*  
 Fridays (excluding holidays) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

*Rosary & Our Lady of Perpetual Help*  
 Mondays 6:30 PM

*Divine Mercy*  
 Fridays (excluding holidays) 3:00 PM

### PARISH LIFE

Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132  
 Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457  
 Social Committee 905-822-8132  
 Ministry of Consolation & Hope 905-822-8132 ext. 3  
 RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 4  
 St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5  
 J.O.Y. Social Club joysocialclub@st-ignatius-loyola.com  
 Youth Group 905-822-8132 ext. 6  
 Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544  
 Charismatic Prayer Group 905-822-8132 Ext. 3  
 (Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.)

### SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183  
 St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115  
 Christ the King 905-569-0220  
 Iona Catholic Secondary 905-823-0136

# ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 12, 2016

## “Which will love him more”



What fuels the love that surpasses all other loves? Unbounding gratitude for sure! No one who met Jesus could do so with indifference. They were either attracted to him or repelled by him. Why did a Pharisee invite Jesus to his house for dinner and then treat him discourteously by neglecting to give him the customary signs of respect and honor? [This account has some similarities to the account of Simon the leper in Matthew 26:6-13 and Mark 14:3, as well as the account in John 12:1-8.] Simon was very likely a collector of celebrities. He patronized Jesus because of his popularity with the crowds. Why did he criticize Jesus' compassionate treatment of a woman of ill repute - most likely a prostitute? The Pharisees shunned the company of public sinners and in so doing they neglected to give them the help they needed to find healing and wholeness.

### The power of extravagant love and gratitude

Why did a woman with a bad reputation approach Jesus and anoint him with her tears and costly perfume at the risk of ridicule and abuse by others? The woman's action was motivated by one thing, and one thing only, namely, her love for Jesus - she loved greatly out of gratitude for the kindness and forgiveness she had received from Jesus. She did something a Jewish woman would never do in public. She loosened her hair and anointed Jesus with her tears. It was customary for a woman on her wedding day to bind her hair. For a married woman to loosen her hair in public was a sign of grave immodesty. This woman was oblivious to all around her, except for Jesus.

### Love gives all - the best we have

She also did something which only love can do. She took the most precious thing she had and spent it all on Jesus. Her love was not calculated but extravagant. In a spirit of humility and heart-felt repentance, she lavishly served the one who showed her the mercy and kindness of God. Jesus, in his customary fashion, never lost the opportunity to draw a lesson from such a deed.

### The debt of gratitude for mercy and forgiveness

Why did Jesus put the parable of the two debtors before his learned host, a religious Jew who was well versed in the Jewish Scriptures and who would have rigorously followed the letter of the Law of Moses? This parable is similar to the parable of the unforgiving official (see Matthew 18:23-35) in which the man who was forgiven much showed himself merciless and unforgiving. Jesus makes clear that great love springs from a heart forgiven and cleansed. Peter the Apostle tells us that "love covers a multitude of sins" (1 Peter 4:8). It was love that motivated the Father in heaven to send his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus, to offer up his life on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. The woman's lavish expression of love was an offering of gratitude for the great forgiveness, kindness, and mercy Jesus had shown to her.

The stark contrast of attitudes between Simon and the woman of ill-repute demonstrates how we can either accept or reject God's mercy and forgiveness. Simon, who regarded himself as an upright Pharisee, did not feel any particular need for pardon and mercy. His self-sufficiency kept him from acknowledging his need for God's grace - his gracious gift of favor, help, and mercy. Are you grateful for God's mercy and pardon?

*"Lord Jesus, your grace is sufficient for me. Fill my heart with love and gratitude for the mercy you have shown to me and give me joy and freedom to love and serve others with kindness and respect."*



### The Knights of Columbus – Council 8668 – Our Lady of Peace

The Knights will be selling raffle tickets in support of the **Arthritis Society and Special Olympics** after all Masses this weekend, June 11 & 12. Thank you for your support.



If you believe that you are being called to become Catholic, please join us for evenings of Catholic teaching and spiritual formation which are designed to lead to the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation. This process will begin at the end of September to welcome inquirers. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office 905.822.8132, Ext. 3, and leave your name and telephone number.



### Society of St. Vincent De Paul MARYGROVE CAMP

#### Special Collection – June 11 & 12

Marygrove Camp provides a fully subsidized camping experience during the months of July and August for over 1,100 girls between the ages of 5 and 13. Marygrove provides an 8 day camping experience for children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to enjoy a camping adventure. Each camper's holiday is fully subsidized through the generous support of an annual Marygrove Camp Collection to be taken up this weekend, June 11 & 12.

Mass Intentions  for the Week

**MONDAY, JUNE 13 – 7:00 P.M.**

Special Intention of a Parishioner

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14 - 8:00 A.M.**

+ Scarlett Johnston

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15 – 7:00 P.M.**

+ Wayne Radun

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16 – 8:00 A.M.**

*Intention Available*

**FRIDAY, JUNE 17 – 7:00 P.M.**

*Intention Available*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**

**Vigil Mass for 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Vittorio & Maria Vienna lafrate

+ Augustine Fernandez

S.I. 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of a Parishioner

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19 – 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8:00 a.m.** *Intention Available*

**9:30 a.m.** + Robert Sandford

+ Feliza Castro & Leonida Nuque

**11:00 a.m.** S.I. Parish Community

**12:30 p.m.** + Naomi Bain and the Souls in Purgatory

+ Buenaventura & Rolando Papa



**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD  
CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

**Level I: Foundations Course**

**Children Ages Birth-6**

**Part 1: July 11th – 15th, 2016**

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is an approach to the religious formation of children (birth-12) and adults. This introductory course for adults will explore the foundations of an internationally recognized approach to the religious education of children known as the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children highlights essential aspects of the Christian message that nurture the child's need to love and be loved and the child's capacity to enjoy God's presence in their life.

The Good Shepherd Catechesis is not primarily academic in character. Rather, it seeks to be an experience of life and education of faith in the celebration of an encounter with the Father, in listening to Jesus, the one Teacher, and in obedience to the Spirit.

For more Information visit the Archdiocese of Toronto Website at the Following link:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/catechesis-good-shepherd/Pages/Background.aspx>

**WRAPPING UP FOR THE SUMMER.....**

**BULLETINS**

Please note that the church bulletin will not be published during July and August. Keep checking the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church for all the Parish news.

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in September 2016 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at **905.624.4422**.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Please note that Weekly Mass Intentions will be posted on the bulletin board. Kindly come to the Parish Office if you would like to book a Mass Intention.

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS**

During the summer months of July and August, we will not have all day Adoration on First Fridays. The Holy Hour after Friday evening Mass will allow time for Eucharistic Adoration.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM**

The Children's Liturgy Program wraps up for the summer on Sunday, June 26. Thank you for entrusting your children to us this past school year, we have enjoyed sharing God's Word with them. The program restarts Sunday, September 18th.



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We have reached 77.5% of our goal. If you would like to make a donation to Sharelife, the campaign continues until July 31st. Thank you to all who have supported this important appeal.

**Together we can work wonders!!**

**JOY Social Club.....**

Boat Cruise aboard the RMS SEGWUM on Lakes Joseph and Rousseau, lunch at Sherwood Inn Resort, Port Carling and visit the Muskoka Boat and Heritage Museum. Thursday, July 28th, departing 8:30 a.m. returning 6:00 p.m. Cost \$125 per person. Deadline June 28th. No refunds for this event.

Details on bulletin board. Sign-up in the Parish Office

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