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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)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Daily: 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MASS

Sunday Eucharist
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON
Children's Liturgy at: 10:00 a.m. Mass

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

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

DEVOTIONS

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
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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 12, 2017

“Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour”



In this week's Gospel Jesus again uses a parable to talk about what it means to be prepared to be received into the Kingdom of Heaven. He uses the story to illustrate the necessity of being prepared for his final coming and that his disciples must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

At the time this parable was written, the wedding tradition was for the local maidens, usually friends and family of the bride to meet the bridegroom when he came to get the bride and take her to his home.

He depicts Christians as bridesmaids who were vigilant about the arrival of the “bridegroom” who was Christ. The wise maidens fill their lamps with oil in eager anticipation of their master's return. The Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, who took their lamps but no oil, leaving them unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.” While they went to buy oil the bridegroom came and those who were prepared went with him to the banquet.” (Matthew 25:10)

The refusal of the wise to help the foolish was not held up as a model for right behaviour. Jesus himself had passionate regard for the weak, the sick, the wounded, the strayed and the lost. The point of this parable is vigilance. Jesus was continually telling people to wake up and stay awake. Obtaining the oil of sanctity was the responsibility of each individual. No one could borrow the spiritual wealth that other had acquired. Jesus said that he would welcome the faithful servants, but those who foolishly left these matters to the last would be excluded from the wedding feast in God's kingdom.

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Completed Memorial Sheets have been placed in the Book of Life to be remembered at Masses during the month of November. Each weekend during the month of November, one Sunday Mass will be offered for the faithful departed listed on the Memorial Sheets.

MEN'S ACTS RETREAT AT QUEEN OF APOSTLES

Adoration, Community, Theology, Service. The Retreat is November 23 - 26. To register please contact, Dominic Menezes, 647-746-5678. www.actscanada.org.

YEAR ROUND SPRING CLEANING



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes, linens and household goods to support our neighbours in need and our residential program the weekend of November 11th and 12th. Please bring your donation and help others in your community. The truck will be open Saturday from 4:15 p.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sunday from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Thank you for your continued support.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Ross Preville
+ Leslie Hetyey

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 – 8:00 A.M.

For the souls of those mentioned in our Book of Life

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Charles Duke Delahey

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – 7:00 P.M.

In reparation for offences committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Prayer of Thanksgiving
S.I. Priests and Deacons Living and Deceased

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Elsa Macclacchera

SUNDAY, NOV. 19 – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 A.M. S.I. Deacon Don and Jean Roberts
+ Carl Shaw
10:00 A.M. + For the souls of those mentioned in our Book of Life
12:00 Noon + Circumsisau and Etelvina Rodrigues
+ Carl Shaw
+ Concepcion Cabioc and Deceased Family

**SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT
(GRADES 11 & 12)**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat for young men in grades 11 & 12 on Saturday, **November 25** at Our Lady of the Airways Parish, 7407 Darcel Avenue, Mississauga, ON L4T 2X5, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The retreat provides time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Register online at: www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

REFUGEE NEWS

For almost two years the St. Francis of Assisi Refugee Committee has prepared and waited for the arrival of our family of five. We are happy to announce that the expected arrival date is November 22nd. You will hear more about this parish endeavor in the coming months.

CHRISTMAS AT MASSEY HALL

The weekend of December 2 and 3, the St. Michael's Choir School will be performing Handel's Messiah. For tickets call 416-872-4255.



SPECIAL COLLECTION NOVEMBER 18 AND 19
As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help raise awareness and funds so that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. The fund supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. By supporting The Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. Donation envelopes and the Shepherds' Trust Newsletter are available in the vestibule of the Church. For more information about The Shepherds' Trust please go to: www.shepherdstrust.org.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2017-2018

Sunday Missals for the new liturgical year, which starts on the weekend of December 2/3, will be on sale after all Masses starting the weekend of November 11 and 12. The cost is \$5.00.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Please help support Knights of Columbus activities in our community. Pre-order your Christmas Poinsettias after all Masses the weekends of November 18/19, November 25/26 & December 2/3. Poinsettias can be picked up at the church the weekend of December 16 and 17. Need further information? Call Wayne Ferrell 905-607-5981.



RIGHT TO LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

During the weekends of November 18/19 and November 25/26 there will be Christmas Cards and Calendars for sale on behalf of Right to Life after all Masses. Cards are 10 for \$10.00 and calendars are \$5.00 each. All proceeds go to Mississauga and area Right to Life.

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