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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 (Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.)	905-822-8132 Ext. 3

## 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

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 2, 2016

**"Lord, increase our faith!"**



How strong is your faith in God and how can you grow in it? Faith is not something vague, uncertain, undefinable, or something which requires a leap of the imagination or worse, some kind of blind allegiance. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Faith is a response of trust and belief in what is reliable, truthful, certain, and real. To have faith is to believe and trust in someone or something. We believe in the power of electricity even though we can't visibly see it with the naked eye. We know we can tap into that power and use it to do things we could not do by our own human power. Faith in God works in a similar way.

When God reveals himself to us he gives us the "assurance" and "conviction" that his power and presence and glory is just as real, and even more real, than our experience of the natural physical world around us (Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-3). Things around us change, but God never changes. He is constant, ever true to his word, and always faithful to his promises (Psalm 145:13, Hebrews 10:23). That is why we can have the greatest assurance of his unconditional love for us and why we can hope with utter conviction that he will give us everything he has promised. Jesus is God's visible proof that his word is reliable and true - his love is unfailing and unconditional - and his power is immeasurably great and unlimited.

## **The Holy Spirit helps us to grow in expectant faith**

What did Jesus mean when he said to his disciples that our faith can move trees and mountains as well (see Matthew 17:20; Mark 11:23)? The term "mountain remover" was used for someone who could solve great problems and difficulties. Don't we often encounter challenges and difficulties which seem beyond our power to handle? What appears impossible to human power is possible to those who believe in God's power. Faith is a gift freely given by God to help us know God personally, to understand his truth, and to live in the power of his love. God expects more from us than we can simply do by ourselves. That is why Jesus gives us the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who helps us to grow strong in faith, persevere in hope, and endure in love.

Faith in God is the key for removing obstacles and difficulties which keep us from doing his will. We belong to God and our lives are no longer our own. Our joy and privilege is to follow the Lord Jesus and to serve in the power of his love and goodness. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to work in and through us by his Spirit for his glory. For our faith to be effective it must be linked with trust and with obedience - an active submission to God and a willingness to do whatever he commands. Do you trust in the grace and strength which God freely gives to help us resist temptation and to overcome obstacles in doing his will?

*"Lord Jesus, fill me with your consuming love and set my heart free to love generously and to serve selflessly. Fill me with gratitude for all you have done for me, and increase my faith and loyalty to you who are My All, My Strength, and My Life"*

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Please note that Fr. Bernard will be attending a Symposium for Priests from October 24 – 26, and therefore Holy Mass will not be celebrated here at St. Francis of Assisi on these days.

## **SHARELIFE**



We would like to sincerely thank all those parishioners who responded so generously to the 2015/2016 ShareLife Appeal. We reached 99.83% of our goal of \$125,000. These funds are used to improve the lives of many people.

***"Together we can make a difference"***

## **IMPORTANT**

### **SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

We thank the parents who have registered their children for the Sacraments. Registration is now CLOSED.

## **LIFE CHAIN – OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE LIFE CHAIN** on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2 – 3 pm. This year, we will be standing at a new location: Dundas St. in front of Woodchester Mall near Wendy's. Pick up your signs there at 1:45p.m. for an hour of prayerful, peaceful, silent witness that challenges our society with the truth that: ***"ABORTION KILLS CHILDREN"***

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 3 – 7:00 P.M.**

+ Keith Kirkwood

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4 – 8:00 A.M.**

*Intention Available*

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5 – 7:00 P.M.**

*Intention Available*

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6 – 8:00 A.M.**

+ Alfredo Soares

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7 – 7:00 P.M.**

S.I. Hatch Family

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

### **VIGIL MASS FOR 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Bill McMullen

+ Jim O'Neill

+ Kim Fleming

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 – 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**9:30 a.m.** + Zdenek Becka

**11:00 a.m.** *Intention Available*

**12:30 p.m.** S.I. Parish Community

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS



Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, is the First Friday of the month. Please join us for Morning Prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 a.m. continuing with adoration until 7 p.m. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be sung at 3 p.m. Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. followed by

more adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction. Sign-up sheets are located at the back of the church.



### **Dr. Moira McQueen,**

Executive Director of the

Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute,

Speaking at St. Christopher's Parish, Clarkson Road,

Sundays, October 16, 23 & 30, 2016 at 3 p.m.

on the *Principals of Catholic Morality* and the two *Papal Encyclicals*.



## OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> - BLESSING OF ANIMALS

The Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, our patron Saint, is on October 4th, 2016. Our annual blessing of our furry friends will take place on Saturday, October 8th, after the 5 p.m. Mass. in the back of the church parking lot. There will be a barbecue to follow, hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

**October 21-23, 2016**

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

For more information and application, please go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com) or 905.792.1925.



## WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

Women's Fall Retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga for the weekend of October 21-23. The theme for this retreat will be *"The Road to God is Mercy"*, preached by the Centre Team. For further information or registration please call 905.278.5229.



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 in October to welcome inquirers. Come and join us, and grow in your love and knowledge of God and of the Catholic Church. If you are interested, please call the parish office (905) 822-8132, Ext. 3, and leave your name and telephone number. SPONSORS are also needed and if you are willing to share your faith and spend time with these inquirers please leave your name and telephone number at the parish office and we will contact you.



## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COUPLES BRIDGE CLUB

We are starting a new year of Couples Bridge and are looking for new members. Any couple, (mixed, two women or two men) are invited to join. If interested, please call Jo Guild at 905.823.1973.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - BUNDLE SUNDAY

There will be no Bundle Sunday at St. Francis of Assisi Parish this fall. A list of Parishes having a Bundle Sunday is posted on the bulletin board.



## PROJECT RACHEL – PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

*"How long, O Lord? I cry for help."* Habakkuk 1

Are you longing for mercy from the One who brings peace and healing? We can help. A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion:

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