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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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 29, 2017

What is the greatest rule of life?

Jesus summarized the whole of the law in two great commandments found in Deuteronomy 6:5 "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with your soul, and with all your might". And Leviticus 19:18 "you shall love your neighbour as yourself". God's love directs all that he does. His love is holy, just and pure because it seeks only what is good, beneficial and life-giving rather than what is destructive, evil or deadly. That is why he commands us to love and to accept and give only what is good, lovely, just and pure and to reject whatever is contrary.

What is the nature of love? Love is the gift of giving oneself for the good of others. It is wholly other oriented and directed to the welfare and benefit of others. Love which is rooted in pleasing myself is self-centred and possessive. It is selfish love that takes from others rather than gives to others. It is stunted and disordered love which leads to many hurtful and sinful desires such as jealousy, greed, envy and lust. The root of all sin is disordered love and pride which is fundamentally putting myself above God and my neighbour. It is loving and serving self, rather than God and neighbour. True love, which is wholly directed and oriented to what is good rather than evil, is rooted in God's truth and righteousness (moral goodness).

God loves us wholly, completely and perfectly for our sake; there is no limit, no holding back, no compromising on His part. His love is not subject to changing moods or circumstances. When God gives, he gives generously, abundantly, freely and without setting conditions to the gift of his love. His love does not waver, but is firm, consistent and constant. He loves us in our weakness, in our fallen and sinful condition. That is why the Father sent his only begotten Son to redeem us from slavery to sin and disordered cravings, desires, passions and addictions. God the Father always seeks us out to us to his throne of mercy and help. God the Father corrects and disciplines us in love to free us from the error of our wrong ways of thinking and choosing what is harmful and wrong rather than choosing what is good and wholesome. Do you freely accept God's love and do you willingly choose to obey his commandments? What makes our love for God and his commands grow in us? Faith in God and hope in his promises strengthens us in the love of God. They are essential for a good relationship with God, for being united with him. The more we know of God the more we love him and the more we love him the greater we believe and hope in his promises. The Lord Jesus, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, gives us a new freedom to love as he loves. Paul the Apostle writes, "For freedom Christ has set us free...only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love be servants of one another" (Galatians 5:1,13).

BOOK OF LIFE

Blank Memorial Sheets are available in the vestibule of the Church, to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Completed Memorial Sheets will be placed in the Book of Life to be remembered at Masses during the month of November.

MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Our Lady of Peace Council will be held on Monday, November 6th at 7 p.m. Reception to follow.

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 for the Intentions the Week

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Theodore Cornejo
S.I. Special Intention

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 – 8:00 A.M.

+ Mitch Livsey

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Deceased Legionaries
+ Eliseo Tibon

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 – 7:00 P.M.

All Souls' Day

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Hatch Family
+ Leo Chin

+ Louis, Agnes and Michael Yee Tiam

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Celia Goes
+ Ann Augustine
+ Roy Villanueva

SUNDAY, NOV. 5 – 31TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 A.M. S.I. Parish Community

10:00 A.M. + Allan Bagnall
+ Michael Kole

+ Maria Fernandez

12:00 Noon + Gilda Yu Yangzon
+ Lanz Yu Yangzon
+ Joel Jardeleza

NOVEMBER -

Month of the Holy Souls

+ All Saints' Day is Wednesday, November 1st.

Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m.

+ The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
Thursday, November 2nd. **PLEASE NOTE: Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m.**

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

All Souls' Day Mass will be celebrated on Sat., November 4th at 2:00 p.m. and will be held indoors at the following cemeteries:

Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga, Liturgy in English
Christ the King Cemetery, Markham, Liturgy in English
Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill, Liturgy in Italian
and English
Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge, Liturgy in Italian and English
Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby, Liturgy in English
ALL ARE WELCOME!

OPEN HOUSE

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School is holding an open house on November 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 905-458-5541 ext. 64104.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

ST FRANCIS CENTRE CALEDON

The weekend of November 10-12 the Office of Vocations is hosting a Discernment Retreat for single Catholic men 17 years and older. This is a good retreat for men who are at crossroads in discerning God's desired Vocation for them; to take quiet time away from the world, in prayer and guided by reflections offered on discernment. Short conferences, time for rest, reflection, Adoration, confession and the assistance of our vocations team. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information please contact us at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

COME & SEE WEEKEND

St. Augustine's Seminary is hosting a "Come & See Weekend" for men 17 years and older the weekend of November 3 - 5. This weekend offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. For more info call 416-968-0997 email vocations@archtoronto.org.

UNWANTED HALLOWEEN CANDY

Once again, Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children will be collecting your unwanted Halloween candy at the back of the church on the weekend of November 4 and 5. ALL unwanted candy is welcome. This includes bags of chips and chocolate. We will also be collecting non-perishable food items and bars of soap. Thank you so much for any contribution.

2017 ACTS RETREAT

There is an upcoming ACTS Retreat at Queen of Apostles Retreat Centre.

A – Adoration – God's Call, your acceptance and answer

C – Community – love and caring for each other

T – Theology – "studying" through scripture and our faith

S – Service – to God and his people

The women's retreat is November 2-5 and the men's is November 23-26. Come to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your Faith and to apply it to your daily life. Please contact, Dominic Menezes, 647-746 – 5678. Please visit www.actscanada.org for more information.

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