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**SUNDAY EUCHARIST**  
Saturday: 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
Monday to Saturday: 9:05 a.m.

**FIRST FRIDAY:**  
Exposition 9:30 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**BAPTISM**  
Please contact the Pastor at least two months before the proposed date.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**  
Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**  
Please let us know if you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Upon request, Communion will be brought to the sick and shut-ins.

**PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL**

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 24, 2023

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### FEASTS OF THE WEEK

- Mon. Sept. 25: St. Cosmas & Damian, *martyrs*  
Tue. Sept. 26: St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues,  
*priests and companions, martyrs,*  
*Secondary Patrons of Canada*  
Wed. Sept. 27: St. Vincent de Paul, *priest*  
Thrs. Sept. 28: St. Wenceslaus, *martyr*  
*St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, martyrs*  
Fri. Sept. 29: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, *archangels*  
Sat. Sept. 30: St. Jerome, *priest, doctor*  
Sun. Oct. 1: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Sept. 25 - Sun. Oct 1

#### Saturday 7 p.m.

Ongoing Healing and Reconciliation with  
Indigenous People of this Land (INT)

#### Sunday 9 a.m.

Jean Hector Balthazar (RIP)  
*Req. by Frances McKee*

#### Sunday 11 a.m.

Zofia Leja (RIP)  
1st year Anniversary  
*Req. by Her Family*



### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

Stewardship Sunday is celebrated annually in the Archdiocese of Toronto on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

"Reflecting on the Word of God and on the Church's teaching, we acknowledge that we have received so much from the Lord's goodness and have likewise been called to humbly recognise, diligently develop, and generously share all that we are, and all that we have - for the sake of the Kingdom. "

*His Grace Most Reverend Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto*

*For the full text of Archbishop Leo's homily, please visit:*

**[www.archtoronto.org/stewardship](http://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship)**. *Print copies are available at the back of the church for those without internet access.*

### INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION

#### Special Collection - September 30/October 1, 2023

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of September 30/October 1 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture.

This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: [www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation). Thank you for your generosity.

### NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION SPECIAL MASS

*October 1, 2023 at 12:30 p.m.*

*Native People's Mission at St. Ann's Parish  
120 First Avenue, Toronto*

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation takes place each year on September 30th. At St. Ann's parish in Toronto, home to the Native People's Mission, a special Mass will be held on October 1, 2023, at 12:30 p.m. - all are welcome to attend.



### WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay." In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St. John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, "building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country." As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said "...I was a stranger, and you welcomed me" reminding us that the Lord's words are a "constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door."

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING**  
*Thursday, Sept 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hall.*  
All are welcome to come out and share ideas for the first Bazaar in our new Hall!



### PIZZA SUNDAY

**THIS SUNDAY, Sept 24th**

Head down to the Hall after Masses this Sunday to enjoy delicious pizza baked by Maria and friends! Available for purchase by the slice or whole pizza. Eat in or take-out. Dessert and drinks also available. There will also be a 50/50 draw. All proceeds to the Restoration Fund.



### CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. MICHAEL & CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

*Friday, September 29, 2023, 5:30 p.m.*

*St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica*

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael. Celebrant: Archbishop Francis Leo. The Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič, will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful. Seating: first come, first served. Informal reception to follow. All are welcome.



**We Welcome  
the Newly Baptized**  
*Rome Dante Ruffolo*



### LIFECHAIN

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023, 2-3 P.M.**

*Keele & Bloor West Intersection*

*Life Chain is a non-confrontational, peaceful, and silent witness to the evil of abortion and its painful consequences. It is a simple but powerful reminder to our fellow citizens of the sanctity of human life and our duty to defend the weakest members of our society.*



### OFFERTORY

Weekly, Sept 17 \$ 1,356.00  
Restoration 690.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Details for the sacramental programmes for 2023-2024 will be announced at Mass and posted on our website once they are finalised. They will also be communicated to our parish schools. Please be reminded that Sacramental preparation is to take place in your *home* parish.

***If St. Cecilia Parish is not your parish, please contact your home parish as soon as possible regarding their sacramental programme as their registration made be underway.***

### RCIA

If you know of anyone (16 or older) who would like to become fully initiated into the Catholic faith, please invite them to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program of our parish. Registration forms are available on our website. This program is for those who are either: non-Catholic, OR baptised Christian but not Catholic, OR baptised Catholic but have not received First Communion and Confirmation.

### CHORISTERS WANTED!

The parish choir invites people of all ages with an interest in singing to join the choir. All experience levels are welcome! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and the choir sings at the 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays. For more information, please contact Choir director Peter Treen: 416 760 4416, [petertreren@hotmail.com](mailto:petertreren@hotmail.com)

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCT 1, 2023 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Ezekiel 18.25-28*  
*Psalms 25*  
*Philippians 1.1-11*  
*Matthew 21.28-32*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

***Please notify the office of any changes to the list***

*Hang Sam Lee, Richard Mijares, Drew Fiala, Connie Tari-Kornhauser, Lisa Reardon, Stuart Robson, Rosa Maria Santos, Bianca Auriemma, Rosie Po, Frank Ferreira, Antonina Koziara, Julia Collins, Mary Ann Cuschieri, Sebastian Carvalho, Anne Tran Fazzalari, Gabriel Sebastian Romano, Robert Freimuts, Giuseppe R., Mikayla Haswell, Victoria Cooper, Anna Solims, Lorenza Varga, Steven McKinney, Krysten Telfer, Edward Spiteri, Maria Ruccolo, Ignacio Juarez Ednet, Dominic Coccimiglio, Winifred Ismail, Mimi Ashton, Ann Baby, Marta DiGregorio, Rosa Loschiavo, Anne Marie Skewes, Blossom Reid and Brendan Clough*



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