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New Parishioners are requested to register in the parish by phone or email.



Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 8:00 p.m. Spanish 2:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. Tuesday to Friday 7:00 p.m. Saturday & Holidays 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Baptism: Contact the parish office. Baptisms are scheduled monthly on the third and fourth Saturdays in English; on the second Saturday in Spanish.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: If any family member with a serious illness or preparing for surgery wishes to celebrate this Sacrament, please call the parish office.

| l | _iturgical Ministries | |
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| Lectors | Ven Faundo | 416-299-4404 |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Felipe and Grace Mantes | 416-759-2335 |
| Music Ministry | Donald Torres | 647-449-6583 |
| Altar Servers | Reston Senining | 647-834-5546 |
| Ushers/Greeters | Dennis Cybulskie | 416-494-8858 |
| Children's Liturgy of the Word | Nora Lovgren | 416-439-1545 |
| Communion to the Sick | Hy Francis | 416-284-7851 |
| | <u>Schools</u> | |
| St. Thomas More Elementary Schoo | l 2300 Ellesmere Road | 416-393-5322 |
| St. Edmund Campion Elementary So | | 416-393-5356 |
| St. John Paul II Secondary School | 685 Military Trail | 416-393-5531 |

| Youth | Ministry |
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| Youth Minister | |
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| Silvio Escobar | . <u>silvio.escobar@live.com</u> |
| Youth Group | |
| Drusilla Lobo | <u>youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca</u> |
| Young Adults for Christ | |
| Racine Senining | <u>stmyac@gmail.com</u> |
| Parish Groups | |
| Parish Council | |
| Mike Carolan | 416-282-4750 |
| Finance Council | |
| Alan King | 416-284-7190 |
| Screening Committee | |
| Claudine Goller | |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society | |
| Martel Gordon-Tennant | 416-439-7827 |
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The Parable of the Wedding Feast

In today's Gospel Jesus tells another parable to illustrate the Kingdom of God. It is about a king who dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.

Fr. Willyans Prado Rapozo, SCJ

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | +Florencio Bonife, requested by the Lim Family |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | +Raffaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family |
| | 10:00 a.m. | In thanksgiving, D'Mello family |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the parish community |
| | 8:00 p.m. | Rohini Dudley Sebastiar requested by the Benedict family |
| Monday | 7:30 a.m. | +Edward Rowan, requested by S. M ^c Pherson |
| Tuesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Juanita & Gaudencio, requested by Wilbert Silva |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Ida P. Innasipillai, requested by the family |
| Wednesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Souls in purgatory, esp FOSS members, requested by P. Myers |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Florencio Bonife, requested by the Lim family |
| Thursday | 7:30 a.m. | +Lourdes Medina, requested by the Obien family |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Jose Solis, requested by the family |
| | | +Remedios Elejorde, requested by Zita Delma +Blais Fernandes, requested by the James family |
| | | +Valentine Francis, requested by the James family Souls in purgatory |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. | +Margaret Doyle, requested by the family |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Amal Rajesparam, requested by the family |
| Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | Intention of Leo F.Ochangco & family, requested by N. Torres |

Friendship is the source of the greatest pleasures, and without friends even the most agreeable pursuits become tedious. *Thomas Aquinas*

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Phyllis Cogliano, Yvonne Rampersaud, Kaumudi Passanha, Basil Benedict, Anna L. Amala, Rita Croft and Henry Sharp. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

Taking Communion Home

Parishioners who wish to bring Communion home to their family members in a pyx must first call the parish office. An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be assigned to bring Communion to them weekly. After October 31st Communion will not be given out at Mass in a pyx except to Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

Mass Attendance Count

Weekends of October 14/15 and October 21/22

The Archdiocese has requested that all parishes have a Mass attendance count at each Mass over the next two weekends. This is to provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the archdiocese.

World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 22, 2017

Next Sunday our parish will celebrate *World Mission Sunday*. It represents a global sign of the universal Church and Mission. We are invited to reach out and help build the Church in the most remote areas across our world. Your prayers and donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations to priesthood and religious life. Please show your generosity as much as possible during this collection, because it provides assistance to the young dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

Vocation Seeds

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? Ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Sundays in October after the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Registrations will be held for children preparing for their First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Please come to the parish hall after the <u>10:00</u> <u>a.m. Mass</u> on:

- Sun., Oct. 8 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 15 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 22 and 29 after 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Habitat for Humanity

We will be holding two faith based build days:

- 1.Community Faith Build Day Wednesday, October 25th
- 2.Women of Faith Build Day- Thursday, October 26th

Both of these builds are taking place at our Pinery build site in Scarborough (140 Pinery Trail,

Each build runs from 8:00 to 4:00 PM For further details and if you have any questions feel free to email <u>faith150build@habitatgta.ca</u>

Workshop on the Art of Discernment

Facilitators: A team of men and women religious and a married couple.Place: Loretto College, 70 St. Mary St., Toronto When: Saturday, October 28, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Suggested Donation: \$30 (lunch included) Contact: Frances Harrision-Atell, <u>fharrison-</u> atell@csi-to.ca

Phone: 416-467-2642

Registration Deadline: Friday, October 20, 2017

Come and See Weekend November 3 to 5, 2017 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register www.vocationstoronto.ca.

