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On Thanksgiving,
Give thanks to the Lord
for His many Blessings

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Inheriting the Kingdom of God

In today's Gospel a man approached Jesus to ask Him a question: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" I believe this is a preoccupation of all good Catholic people. We wonder if our deeds on earth will help us to go to heaven; if we have done enough to merit salvation. However, salvation is a gift and we do not merit it. It is part of God's plan of love that He grants us according to His infinite generosity.

So, why did Jesus say that it will be very hard for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God? What's wrong with being rich? In the Bible, wealth is synonymous with attachment. It is not just about having a large bank account but considering money a god. I know people who have much money but are very humble and generous. I also know others who have little but are greedy. The point is if we put all our trust in material goods that are transitory we may not inherit the Kingdom of God that is eternal.

The man of the Gospel was virtuous. He followed the commandments since his youth and the Gospel says that Jesus loved him. However, after an invitation of giving his possessions to the poor in order to follow the Lord, the man went away grieving and did not do so. He could have been the thirteenth apostle, but was too attached to his wealth. As we give thanks to God for all we are and have, let us ask Him to help us to be humble and detached.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 10 - 17, 2015

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Anthony & Eva Paul, requested by the James family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Zack D'Souza
	10:00 a.m.	+Alberto Moreno, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Nicasio & Anaclea Jarquio, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Kishani Pereira, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Dan O'Donnell
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Feliz Diaz
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Fortunato & Ester Hernandez, requested by the Concina family
	7:00 p.m.	+Aloysius Maria Anandan, requested by the James family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the Madigan family
	7:00 p.m.	+Olga Indrigo, requested by the family In thanksgiving, Julio & Elisa Sevilla In thanksgiving, Rosemary Ferrer +Meena Upendran, requested by the Benedict family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Benjamin San Juan Jr., requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+John Johnston, requested by A. & S. King
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Gertrudes Garcia

For Thanksgiving Day let us give thanks to God for everything!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

October 10 / 11



Registration for children who are to receive their First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held after all Masses this weekend, Oct. 10/11.

Baptism certificates are to be presented at registration.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

October 10 / 11, 2015

The parish will hold a food drive this weekend, October 10 / 11, for those in our area and the downtown area who are in need of food. We ask that you bring some of the following items:

- Canned meats, fruits and vegetables
- Canned soups, sauces and stews
- Peanut butter, jam
- Cereal, oatmeal
- Tea, coffee, sugar
- Rice, pasta, crackers, cookies.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



The Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed at the 10:00 a.m. Mass for children ages 4 to 10 years. No registration is required. Please

encourage your child to attend!

Do You Need Help Settling in Canada?



Support workers are available for support to families who have immigrated to Canada. They provide information about: finding employment

and volunteering placements, locating daycares, free government resources for legal, health and housing issues. Contact Catholic Crosscultural Services at 55 Town Centre Court, Ste. 401 or by phone at 647-296-6037.

World Mission Sunday

October 18, 2015

The Church is essentially missionary; it is animated by the Spirit. Inhabited by the breath and dynamism of life, it sends out her apostles to the ends of the earth. The Lord calls us and sends us to share with others the blessings that we have received, starting with the gift of faith, which cannot be considered as a private privilege, but must be seen as a gift to be shared with those who have not yet received it. Today, let us unite through love and let us show solidarity with the poorest churches in Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe and South America.

Info for all Ministry and Group Leaders

The Archdiocese of Toronto has a procedure called "Strengthening the Caring Community" in place to ensure the safety of parishioners. Everyone who is serving in a volunteer capacity in all of our parishes is required to fill out and hand in a Volunteer Information Form. As well, volunteers who are working with or want to work with vulnerable persons in such positions as teaching or working with children and young people or taking Holy Communion to home-bound parishioners are required to (1) give the names of three references (friends, co-workers and/or relatives) who will be asked to fill out a two-page reference form, (2) have an interview, and (3) give permission to undergo a security check. The members of the Screening Committee handle most of the details, but the leaders of the various ministries are the first contacts.

Ministry leaders who are new to their positions or who are unsure about the procedure are asked to contact Claudine Goller, the chairperson of the St. Thomas More Screening Committee, at 416-289-0307 - as soon as

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Hanna Turik, Angela Sanchez-Figueroa, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Mary Anderson, Tilly Graham, Thikaya Parfaite, Marlene Murphy and Lorenzo Nunez. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

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