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Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving

Thanks be to God!

He gives us victory
through Our
Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:57



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The Fruits of the Kingdom

Jesus Christ came among us preaching the Kingdom of God. He revealed that this Kingdom is a reality of peace and justice for all, where God rules over His entire creation. He also said that God's Kingdom is at hand, but is not yet fulfilled. God wants us to participate in building His Kingdom as we follow the example of His Son who did not forsake the least of our brothers and sisters. This should be our constant purpose; that with our collaboration our selfish world will be transformed and become the Kingdom of God.

In the First Reading and in the Gospel, God's Kingdom is again compared to a vineyard planted by the Lord and entrusted to the care of His tenants. God chose a fertile land for His vineyard and made sure that it was protected. However, the tenants, who were supposed to watch the vine, became greedy and did not return God's gifts at the proper time. Instead, they seized God's property, even killing His own Son. This is a very serious denunciation against all those who exploit God's favour; they would lose His benefits, which would then be transferred to liable people.

Today we are called as stewards of God's properties. He has set before us many gifts to be looked after and multiplied. God expects His children to produce the fruits of His Kingdom: justice, peace, compassion, and solidarity. Let us not disappoint Him! Let us build a Kingdom that is founded on the love of God and not on greed and violence. We can begin this work in our families and communities and perhaps our testimony will resound and transform the world around us.

Fr. Willyans SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 7 - 14, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Schuyffel & Kastanis families, requested by the families
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Adela and Ascencio Cayaban, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Shihan De Silva, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Lydia de Leon, requested by the Rodrigues family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Gloria Bernal
	7:00 p.m.	+Alberto Moreno, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Nicasio & Anacleta Jarquio, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Kishani Pereira, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Lobo & Fernandes families, requested by Elizabeth
	7:00 p.m.	+Raphieal Francis, requested by the family
		+Elizabeth Baker, requested by the family
		+Alicia V. Solis, requested by the family
+Joseph Strachan, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Mauricio Bernal
	7:00 p.m.	+Frank Williams, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Rizalina Abad, requested by the family

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.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

This weekend, October 7 / 8

This Thanksgiving, our local food bank would greatly appreciate donations of food items for their ever growing demand. The most needed items are canned tuna, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jam, coffee, tea, vegetable oil and sugar. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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.

World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 22, 2017

This year, World Mission Sunday will take place on October 22. On that day, we celebrate who we are as Christians: missionary disciples. It's a time of prayer. We are also invited to look beyond our local Church in Canada and assist through financial gifts, the missionary work needed in the young dioceses in many developing countries. An example of this work is providing health care centres, building schools, and empowering lay pastoral workers, construction of convents and presbyteries. Please pray for the missions and show generosity on World Mission Sunday.

Bundle Up Sunday

This weekend of October 7 / 8

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing, footwear, bedding, toys, drapery and towels to be given to those in need. Please bring your donation to the Society's truck this weekend, October 7 / 8. Thank you!

Vocation Seeds

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be 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 10:00 a.m. Mass 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.

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.

The Spirituality of Leo John Dehon

Wednesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Last March the Priests of the Sacred Heart, who are entrusted with ministry to the parishes of St. Thomas More and Our Lady of the Rosary, and ministry to the Indonesian Catholic Community, offered three sessions on the life, spirituality and ministry of their founder, the Venerable Leo John Dehon. Two follow up sessions on the Spirituality of Leo Dehon will be offered on Wed., Oct. 11 and Wed., Nov. 15, in St. Thomas More parish hall. Each session will be one hour in length, beginning at 7:30 p.m. (after the 7:00 p.m. Mass). All are welcome.

Scarboro Missions Interfaith Event

Monday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Two prominent Canadian scholars, Dr. R. Ventresca and Dr. A. Reinhartz will speak about the state of Jewish-Christian relations on Mon., Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Scarboro Missions (2685 Kingston Road). All are most welcome.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

October 20/22, 2017

This Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves. For information, please call 905-792-1925.

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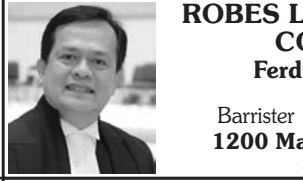
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