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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday 8:00 am

First Friday of the Month 7:00 pm

Saturday 8:30 am

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

11:00 am

12:30 pm

4:30 pm

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

and any time upon request

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday 7:50 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Perpetual Help - Saturday 8:20 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group –

Last Wednesday of the month 5:30 -6:30 pm

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Please remember St. Mary Immaculate Parish in your will. Thank you!

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Here's the thing about parables: you can't look to the right or the left. You have to stare straight down the middle, to the point of the parable, and not obsess about, for example, why it's GOOD that the bridesmaids with enough oil withheld the needed oil from the others, hence causing them to be left forlornly out in the cold.

I've wondered about those five bridesmaids who refused to share their oil quite a lot. Could they enjoy the wedding feast, knowing that their "foolish" friends would not be coming? Did they miss their friends, and regret not finding creative ways to share the oil so they all could gain admittance?

I remember that good feeling of sharing, in grade school, my sandwich (and COOKIES!) with a friend who forgot her lunch. And OF COURSE I was more often the receiver of that kindness than the giver. So this parable hits a nerve.

While we're at it, what about that guy who finds a huge treasure in his neighbor's field, hides the treasure, then sells all that he has to buy the field, so he can "find" the treasure on it (Matt. 13:44)? Stare straight ahead, don't look at the glaring ethical problem there. The point of the parable is similar to the point of today's parable: the kingdom of heaven requires absolute single-heartedness. Sell what you have, keep your oil lamp lit, don't let anything distract or deter you from obtaining heaven.

Don't make parables walk on four legs, advises theologian Randy Alcorn. In other words, don't make them do more than they are made to do. Oh, and do everything to be happy with God in heaven.

What single-heartedness do you practice in order to go to heaven?

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THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wed. Nov 15	Memorial	St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor
Thurs. Nov 16	Memorial	St. Gertrude, Virgin St. Margaret of Scotland
Fri. Nov 17	Memorial	St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Sat. Nov 18	Memorial	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

READINGS THIS WEEK

12 Wisdom 6.12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18; Matthew 25.1-13
 13 Wisdom 1.1-7; Luke 17.1-6
 14 Wisdom 2.23-3.9; Luke 17.7-10
 15 Wisdom 6.1-11; Luke 17.11-19
 16 Wisdom 7.22-8.1; Luke 17.20-25
 17 Wisdom 13.1-9; Luke 17.26-37
 18 Wisdom 18.14-16; 19.6-9; Luke 18.1-8

SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION

There will be a second collection the weekend of **November 18/19** for The Shepherds' Trust.
 The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial

resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Envelopes are available at all the entrances to the Church. Thank you for your support of this important work.

BLUE ADVENT BOOKS & 2024 SUNDAY MASS MISSALS

Will be available for purchase this weekend, **November 11/12** in the Church foyer and in the parish office during the week.

CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Will be held in the Parish Hall **Saturday, November 18 from 9 am to 3 pm**. We welcome donations of baked goods and new items for raffle prizes, which can be brought to the Parish Hall **Friday, November 17 between 12 pm and 7 pm**. Poinsettias, religious articles, baked goods, raffle prizes, 50/50 draw and more available. Cash sales only. Enjoy petite sandwiches, desserts, and beverages. Freewill donations welcome. Proceeds support our CWL charities.

BUNDLE-UP WEEKEND

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 programs the weekend of **November 25/26**. We collect clothing, shoes, linen and small household goods. Please bring your donation and help others in your community. Please be aware, **NO BABY OR REGULAR FURNITURE, NO MATTRESSES, NO BOOKS, NO DISHES, NO APPLIANCES AND NO ELECTRONICS will be accepted**. The container will be in the parking lot and will be open all day Saturday and all day Sunday. When placing your donation in the container please try to stack all items as far back as possible so that we can use all the container space. Thank you for your support.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
SECOND COLLECTION—NOVEMBER 26, 2023
CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2023

For the past 17 years, the Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Outreach Program has been an important source of assistance for our Neighbours in Need who are served by our parish. As the winter months approach, expenses increase, and budgets are tight. Basic expenses for food, rent and transportation continue to rise.

We are so thankful for the support we receive each year from our parish enabling us to continue this Christmas Outreach Program. In this way, we were able to assist 125 families last year. We are hoping that you will continue to support us in this outreach to our less fortunate neighbours.

In addition, this year we will once again be able to invite our Neighbours for a special Christmas luncheon. If you would like your donation to sponsor this event, please indicate 'Christmas luncheon' in the notes section of your cheque.

There will be a second collection on Sunday November 26th. Please consider donations of PC (Loblaws/No Frills) gift cards, Walmart gift cards or cheques (payable to SSVP – St. Mary Immaculate). Charitable Donation Receipts will be issued for donations.

Wishing you all the Peace, Joy and Hope of the Christmas Season.

RED WEDNESDAY-NOVEMBER 15

The annual Red Wednesday event to pray for and raise awareness to the plight of persecuted Christians will take place once again this year. His Excellency Archbishop Leo will be offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass for the intentions of persecuted Christians at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on November 15 at 5 p.m.** You are invited to join him for this occasion. Alternatively, you may also wish to pray the rosary in solidarity with faith communities around the world on Red Wednesday. Visit <https://acn-canada.org/rw/> for more information.

ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION UNDERWAY – SHARE YOUR IDEAS TO ASSIST WITH FUTURE PLANNING!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and **complete the short survey by December 15, 2023**, please visit: **Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.** www.archtoronto.org/consultation. Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

VILLANOVA COLLEGE – OPEN HOUSES

Please join us for a personal tour at one of our upcoming **Open Houses: Wednesday, November 15th – 6:30pm and Friday, November 17th – 9:30am.**

As York Region's only independent, Catholic school, Villanova College offers an enriched academic program from Grades 4 to 12, focusing on the development of the whole child through the teachings of the Catholic Church and through extensive co-curricular programs. Please visit our website at www.villanovacollege.org to register for one of our upcoming Open Houses or contact the Office of Admissions at 905-833-1909 or admissions@villanovacollege.ca

TORONTO CATHOLIC DOCTORS' GUILD

Invites you to 2023 Annual Mass, General Meeting and Dinner on **Saturday, November 25 at 5:00 pm** at St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto, 2661 Kingston Rd. Scarborough, Ontario. Mass celebrated by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto. Get tickets at <https://tinyurl.com/annjcnzs> or email toronto.catholic.doctors@gmail.com

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link: <https://ORCO.de/nov18>
3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar Nov 18" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Chiara Marie Angiolella, Kaia On-Yi Sinnapan-Siu & Ava On-Lok Sinnapan-Siu
We welcome you into the Church! We wish the Parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+ William McCavery
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org.
Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, Maria Simoes

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

NOV 13 - 19: THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:

Thanksgiving for Blessings Received by the Rambaldini Family

MASS INTENTIONS NOV 13 – NOV 19

Mon. Nov 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
Tues. Nov 14	8:00 am	+Christine Ribbons
Wed. Nov 15	8:00 am	+Elizabeth Marter
Thurs. Nov 16	8:00 am	+Mario Soave
Fri. Nov 17	8:00 am	+Raffaella Caldarola
Sat. Nov 18	8:30 am	+All Souls in Purgatory +Althea Smith +Flordeliz Noriel +Raul Saulog +Lalie Salgado Wiser +Dante Gibellini Spec. Int. For the Mancini Family
	5:00 pm	+Bozena Vukovic
Sun. Nov 19	8:00 am	+Maria Antoneta Soares Spec. Int. for Christina Doyle
	9:30 am	+Adamo Di Paolo +Pietro & +Domenica Tuzi +Giuseppe Marini
	11:00 am	+Leo Moraes +Jan & +Honorata Nadgorski +Salvatore Frate +Guerino Rossi +Emilia & +Francesco Velone +Adir Visconti +Olga Campos +Michael Saley +Ambrocius De Pinto +Carmela Vettese
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Dora Giraldi

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