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Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am
9:30 am (Italian)
11:00 am
12:30 pm
4:30 pm

Lauds: Monday to Friday: 7:30 am

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am
Friday: 7:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am
Wednesday Italian Mass: 7:00 pm

Confession:

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Sunday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm
15 minutes before each Sunday Mass.
Weekdays: Appointment with the priest

Baptism:

2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday at 2:00 pm

Marriage:

Contact the priest one year in advance

Friday Exposition & Adoration: 12:00 pm to 6:50 pm

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Saturday morning at 9:00 am

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group: Every Wed. 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Charismatic Prayer Group: Every Friday at 7:30 pm

Italian Prayer Group: Every Wednesday at 8:00 pm

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CHRIST THE KING!

... Only the one who "came from the Father" can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. "No one has ascended into heaven but He who descended from heaven, the Son of man." Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the "Father's house," to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, His members, might have confidence that we too shall go where He, our Head and our Source, has preceded us.

"And I, when I Am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself." The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces His lifting up by His Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ, the one priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands ... but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." There Christ permanently exercises His priesthood, for He "always lives to make intercession" for "those who draw near to God through Him." As "high priest of the good things to come" He is the center and the principal actor of the liturgy that honors the Father in heaven.

Henceforth Christ is *seated at the right hand of the Father*. "By 'the Father's right hand' we understand the glory and honor of divinity, where He who exists as Son of God before all ages, indeed as God, of one being with the Father, is seated bodily after He became incarnate and His flesh was glorified."

Being seated at the Father's right hand signifies the inauguration of the Messiah's kingdom, the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel's vision concerning the Son of man: "To Him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed."

Catechism of the Catholic Church # 661 – 664

MASSES AND PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Owing to the many requests made for the Masses for the dead, please note that during the whole month of November, Masses will be offered for the deceased relatives and friends of the parishioners of St. Mary Immaculate. You may also wish to include their names in our Book of Remembrance or in the **All Souls Day** envelopes. Please place the envelopes with your donations on the basket beside the Book of Remembrance.

ACT OF CONSECRATION OF THE HUMAN RACE TO JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us humbly prostrate before You. We are Yours, and Yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with You, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Your Most Sacred Heart. Many indeed have never known You; many, too, despising your precepts, have rejected You. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to Your Sacred Heart. Be King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken You, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned You; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger. Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof, and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Grant, O Lord, to Your Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give tranquility of order to all nations; make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: Praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to It be glory and honor for ever. Amen.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 21st, Solemnity of Christ the King. A procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament in the Church, Consecration, and Benediction will take place after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Everyone is invited to honour Our Lord. "*At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*" (Phil. 2:10-11)

Monday, November 22nd, St. Cecilia, virgin, martyr. One of the most venerated martyrs of the Early Roman Church, St. Cecilia died for the Faith. She is the patroness of Church music.

Wednesday, November 24th, St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs. We commemorate the Korean Martyrs who died in a severe persecution of the Catholic Faith in the 19th century.

'VOCATION SEEDS' "Jesus remember me when You come into Your Kingdom." Can you lead others to make this request of our Lord and King? Give your life to Jesus and others are sure to hear, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." If God is calling you, visit www.vocationstoronto.ca or contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997.

ADULT FAITH STUDY PROGRAMME (open to all) on Thursdays from 1 – 2:30 p.m. & from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Please note that the same topic will be discussed that day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARDS

available this weekend after all the Masses.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY members are now planning Christmas for our families in need. If you would like to prepare a gift basket for a family or for an individual, please phone 905-717-9827 for information. We can also be contacted at svdp.smi@gmail.com. We thank you for remembering the many among us who are facing great hardship during this festive season.

15th ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Christmas Fundraising Dinner & Dance. on Fri., Dec. 3rd at the Presidente Banquet Hall, 1133 Creditstone Road, Concord. \$75/person. Tickets available from Ross B. 416-746-5944, Roland 905-780-8354, Ross C. 905-883-5458, Alan 905-884-9282 or the Parish Office.

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

The Youth Group will be showing **The Reluctant Saint** on Sat., Dec. 4th at 6:15 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The movie is about the life of St. Joseph Cupertino, who is recognized as the patron saint of aviators, air travelers, and weak students. He died in 1663, and canonized in 1767. This **family-friendly movie** is an inspiring story of surpassing expectations, finding faith and perseverance. Tickets will be sold next weekend at the back after Holy Mass and will be sold at the door on Dec. 4th. Hope to see you there!

MASS AND ROSARY FOR LIFE

at St. Michael's Cathedral on Saturday, Nov. 27th. Mass at 10 a.m. followed by Rosary for Life Walk in honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe. For information, please call 905-624-4582.

VIGIL FOR LIFE

on Nov. 27th at 7 p.m. at St. Michael Cathedral. Archbishop Collins will preside at a Holy Hour to be held to help foster a culture of life in our Archdiocese and around the world. In addition to exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, His Grace will offer brief reflections around life issues in today's society.

PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT

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RECITATION OF THE HOLY ROSARY

at 3 p.m. on the last Saturday of the month at the Holy Family Mausoleum in Holy Cross Cemetery.

PRAYER FOR THE

HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

O Loving Jesus, meek Lamb of God, I a miserable sinner, salute and worship the most Sacred Wound of Your Shoulder on which You bore Your heavy Cross, which so tore Your Flesh and laid bare Your Bones as to inflict on You an anguish greater than any other Wound of Your Most Blessed Body. I adore You, O Jesus most sorrowful; I praise and glorify You and give You thanks for this most sacred and painful Wound, beseeching You by the crushing burden of Your heavy Cross to be merciful to the souls in purgatory and to me, a sinner, to forgive me all my mortal and venial sins, and to lead me on towards Heaven along the Way of Your Cross. Amen.

Cristo re dell'universo - 21 novembre 2010

“Ogni azione di Cristo è gloria della Chiesa, ma la croce è gloria sopra ad ogni gloria. Lo capì bene Paolo che disse: *Di null'altro mi glorierò, fuorché della croce di Cristo (Gal 6.14)*. Che un cieco abbia potuto riavere la vista presso la piscina di Siloe, è certo un fatto meraviglioso. Ma quanto conta questo singolo episodio se si pensa ai ciechi di tutto il mondo? Avvenimento grande, superiore alle forze della natura, fu la risurrezione di Lazzaro, morto ormai da quattro giorni. Ma questo favore concesso a lui solo, poteva forse giovare a tutti coloro che erano morti per i propri peccati? Cosa mirabile fu sfamare con cinque pani cinquemila uomini. Ma quale utilità poteva avere per tutti gli ignoranti affamati di verità? La gloria della croce invece ha illuminato tutti quelli che erano ciechi per ignoranza, liberato tutti quelli che erano schiavi del peccato, redento tutto il genere umano. Gloriamoci della croce del Salvatore. *Il linguaggio della croce è stoltezza per quelli che si perdono, ma per noi che siamo salvi è potenza di Dio (1Cor 1.18)*” (Cirillo di Gerusalemme, *Catechesi* 13.1-2).

Dio ha uno strano modo di rivendicare il suo potere, appunto attraverso il crocifisso che muore perdonando; ma chi da questa singolare forma di intronizzazione si lascia conquistare entra, già 'oggi' nel regno di Dio. Per questo il vangelo racconta di personaggi di segno opposto, gli uni che di fronte al crocifisso si chiudono ulteriormente, gli altri che si lasciano giudicare da quella singolare forma di intronizzazione scelta da Dio per il suo figlio e capiscono che quella morte dell'innocente era la strada necessaria proprio perché essi sono peccatori. Il buon ladrone, ma anche le folle che se ne vanno battendosi il petto, a partire da quella morte comprendono il loro peccato. Dio regna quando l'uomo riconosce di dover essere perdonato e si lascia rinnovare da quel perdono. Dio (in Gesù) non si pone sopra di lui, non riveste i panni del giudice, ma si mette sullo stesso piano assumendo la forma del malfattore.

O Padre, ci hai resi tuoi figli nel sangue della croce di Cristo, re è Signore dell'universo, che ha vinto il potere del mondo con il sacrificio di sé. Ascolta le nostre preghiere, che rivolgiamo a te con la speranza che vengano esaudite. Te lo chiediamo per Cristo nostro Signore.

AVVISO

1. Ci si prepara per andare a Fatima l'11 dicembre. Per informazioni, chiamate Antonietta (905-737-3210) o Ezia (905-884-3896).

MASS INTENTIONS**Nov. 1-30**

- SUN.** 9:30 a.m. Deceased Parishioners,
MON. 8:00 a.m. Relatives, and Friends of the
TUE. 8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Mary
WED. 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Church
7:00 p.m.
THURS. 8:00 a.m.
FRI. 8:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.
SAT. 9:00 a.m.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Winifred Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, David Canivet, Esmey, Peter Christoff, Manuela Clement, James Davidson, Caterina & Dominic De Grano, Aldo Dell'erba, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Roberto Garcias, Godfrey Gosein, Gertiudes Henriques, Theresa Hogan, Margaret Kelly, Olivera Lambeta, Macaria Margate, Chris Markle, Margaret McConnell, Paul Melotte, Anthony Morse, Susan, Myola Nunes, Michael & Michelle Osborne, Iolanda Perugino, Domenico Pileggi, Louis Pomeroy, Todd Santaguida, Vincenzo Sorbara, Valerie Tober, Linda Vincent, Therese Vincent, Sandra Weinholdt, Kathleen Whelan, Ted Zygmunt.

CATHOLIC FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM at **Christ the King Catholic Elementary School.** Accepting registrations for Sept. 2011 for the Grade 1 French Immersion program. Spaces limited. Parent Info Night (one night only) on Thurs., Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. Christ the King, 329 Valleymede Dr., Richmond Hill, 905-771-6036.

BEREAVEMENT RETREAT A retreat for those grieving a recent or earlier death. All are welcome. Retreat at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge runs from **December 10-12.** If you are not able to attend the entire weekend, it is possible for you to come for Saturday only. Please book by December 5th. For info or to register, please call (416) 629-8264 or email: info@stmarysrefuge.org

SARA ELIZABETH CENTRE Blue Veil Ministry is a non-profit charity that runs and operates a centre for people with various developmental and/or physical challenges called the Sara Elizabeth Centre. Saturday "Arts" Date Winter Program Dec 4 – Jan 29th (closed Dec 25, Jan 1) from 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at St. Theresa of Lisieux High School. Cost: \$420.00 (7 weeks) or \$65.00 per Saturday (HST incl.) Registration form available at www.blueveil.org.

ROSARY APOSTOLATE We are looking for volunteers who love Mother Mary and are willing to go into our Catholic Schools to pray the rosary with the students. Training will be provided. Please call Carole at 905-770-8584 or Mariella at 905-773-8650.

CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK LUNCHEON on Saturday, Nov. 27th from 1-5 p.m. at St. Joseph's Parish Hall (65 Curzon St. [Leslie & Dundas]). We ask you to bring a dessert. Delicious meal, treats for the children (please let us know the names and ages of the children attending at clc@campaignlifecoalition.com or 416-204-9749), and a visit from St. Nicholas! This year, we are collecting items for Aid to Women. They are in need of diapers and baby clothes (esp. newborn sizes), baby wipes, washcloths, and receiving blankets.

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