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



Beloved Parishioners,

This Monday we will celebrate Thanksgiving. It is a time set aside to acknowledge the blessings we have received. Traditionally we gather with family and friends to give thanks to the Lord.

Time spent gathering with loved ones is a blessing in and of itself but this year Thanksgiving takes on a new meaning. The blessings we have received this year are controlled by the "new normal" created by the pandemic. It is natural for us to think about what we have been forced to give up, all the inconveniences we must face every day, and the isolation we are feeling. This year the Thanksgiving holiday feels more like a time of grieving than a time of celebration. It is so easy to focus on the negative rather than on the positive.

Our list of blessings will be different this year. How often do we take time to give thanks for our health? How often do we take time to give thanks for the little things in our lives, those things that make our lives easier? We have food, shelter, and countless comforts. While we have taken on new ways of coming for Mass, we are still free to worship. Families have been able to spend more time together. The list goes on and on, we just need to take the time to sit down and count our blessings.

This Thanksgiving I encourage everyone to take time and quietly reflect on all the blessings we have received this year.

Christian writer, Anne Lamott, explains that her two favorite prayers are quite simple. In the morning she prays, "Help me, help me, help me." And in the evening, she prays, "Thank you, thank you, thank you." No matter what our circumstances are today or tomorrow, may we join in these prayers and become people of Thanksgiving.

Praying for you and your families wishing you all a **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Fr. Pawel

Thank you for your ongoing financial support during these hard times.

Ways to Support your Parish

- **At Mass** in the offertory basket after Mass at the exit door.
- **Drop off** your regular weekly offertory contribution envelopes through the mail box slot of the parish office door.
- **By mail to** St. Mary Immaculate Parish
10295 Yonge St.
Richmond Hill, Ontario
L4C 3B9
- **Electronic online.** Visit our website www.smirh.com for more information.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH OUR PARISH

By phone at 905-884-1784. Nadia, our Parish secretary, is working partially at the office and remotely and will answer your call during the office hours. After hours, please leave a message and we will contact you as soon as possible.

By email at office@smirh.com.

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THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wed. Oct 14	Memorial	St. Callistus I, Pope, Martyr
Thur. Oct 15	Memorial	St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor
Fri. Oct 16	Memorial	St. Marguerite D'Youville, Religious
Sat. Oct 17	Memorial	St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr

READINGS THIS WEEK

- 11** Isaiah 25.6-10a Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22.1-14
12 Galatians 4.22-24, 26-27, 31 – 5.1 Luke 11.29-32
13 Galatians 5.1-6 Luke 11.37-41
14 Galatians 5.18-25 Luke 11.42-46
15 Ephesians 1.1-10 Luke 11.47-54
16 Ephesians 1.11-14 Luke 12.1-7
17 Ephesians 1.15-23 Luke 12.8-12

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend, **October 10-11** for the parish maintenance and building fund. Your contributions are needed for the upkeep of the Church especially during these difficult times. All offerings may be placed in the offertory basket with regular weekly offerings during the Mass or drop off through the mail box slot of the parish office door, by mail or electronically online. Thank you for your generosity.



Please give this weekend for ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for your support!

SECOND COLLECTIONS – FALL 2020

There are several second collections that are taking place, in addition to regular parish collections. The schedule is as follows:

- World Mission Sunday–weekend of **October 17-18, 2020**
- The Shepherds' Trust–weekend of **November 14-15, 2020**

OCTOBER 11, 2020

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WEEKLY REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES

We are happy to announce that we will be extending the number of parishioners that will be able to participate in Sunday Mass by opening up the Parish hall. Please share this message with your family and friends. Registration begins every Monday after 8:30 am and ends Friday at noon. Make sure to register or contact the parish office during these times. Parishioners are reminded to check your temperature before coming to Church and to keep a self-log of when you come to Church. If you display any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19, please stay home and contact your healthcare provider. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

PARISHIONER ATTENDANCE COUNT

On **October 17 and 18** and on **October 24 and 25** we would like to ask for your cooperation as we conduct a mandatory Parishioner Attendance Count to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese.

2021 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Updates and details are forthcoming in the next few weeks regarding the registration process for next year's 2021 First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We will communicate with parents through our schools, our bulletin and website at www.smirh.com.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Archdiocese of Toronto in consultation with members of the Episcopal Board, have decided that we may resume with the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Detailed dates and times in October will be emailed to the families in the next few weeks.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (VIRTUAL)

Our Parish is offering virtual marriage preparation course. Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

Fall session: October 14 – November 18, 2020.

Spring session: February 17 – March 26, 2021.

If you are planning to marry in the near future and would like to register, contact the Parish office.

ATTENTION ALL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL) MEMBERS

You are highly encouraged to attend our First SMI-CWL General Meeting on **Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM** via Parish Zoom. Details will be emailed to you.

MOTHER'S GROUP

will be meeting virtually **Thursday, October 15 at 8:00 pm** via Parish Zoom. Email mothersgroup@smirh.com to receive your zoom invitation.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Online Bereavement Support Group, launching on
Thursday October 15 @ 7:00 pm
Online Separated/Divorced Support Group, launching on
Wednesday October 28 @ 7:00 pm

We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds. For more information and to register, please contact: Arcangelo Limanni at alimanni@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 ext 2225.

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.

OCT 12-18: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR
Spec. Int. for Al, Laura & Michael Shamseddine

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 contact the parish office or email office@smirh.com. Names will be removed after the last Sunday of each month unless renewed with the office.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Clyde, Julie, Gus, Peter Fernandes, Bernardine Fernandes, Joe Rybka, Maria Petruzzo, Nazzareno Lombardi, Marcus Gibbons, Dante Gibellini, Lucia Gibellini, Michael McGee, Clara Pacitti, Sandi Weinholdt, Emil Atienza, Samantha Pasut, Domenic, Ramesh Sharma, Deb McIntosh, Stephen Ahlowalia, Nicola D'Abruzzo, Angelina Palazzo

MASS INTENTIONS OCT 12 - 18

Mon. Oct 12	8:00 am	+David Knight
Tues. Oct 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
Wed. Oct 14	8:00 am	+Joseph & +Anne Fernandez
Thur. Oct 15	8:00 am	+Johnny Francis
Fri. Oct 16	8:00 am	Spec. Int. for healing of Joyce Kwee
	7:00 pm	+Herbert, Catherine & Patrick Paxton +Manuela Leandro +Eligio Bomben
Sat. Oct 17	8:30 am	+Libera Mastro +Bettino Compostella +Joseph Cirone
	5:00 pm	+Giuseppe & +Elena Iacobelli
Sun. Oct 18	8:00 am	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	9:30 am	+Francesco & +Mafalda Faga +Aldo & +Adele Berdusco & Family +Antonio Marini +Manuel Pascual Rey Jr. +Dante & +Rocco Antonacci +John Stanley Mojsiejewic
	11:00 am	+Rosa & +Falco Caione
	12:30 pm	+Antonio Spano
	4:30 pm	+Margaret Kuzyk

Congratulations!

Sacrament of Marriage:

Daniel Sturino & Amy Smith, Zaid Yousuf-Bakose & Monique Mak, and Alex Figueras & Alice Liao
We wish them an abundance of God's graces and the loving care of our Mother Mary!

Sacrament of Baptism:

Sonia Chessari, Gabriella & Javier Robertson & Michael Vani

We welcome them into the Church! We wish the parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!

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<p>Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked for many favours. I now ask for a special favour (mention request). Take this favour, dear Jesus, and place it within your broken heart and when your Father sees it through His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour not mine. Please answer my prayers. Say three consecutive days. Trusting in your mercy. Published in gratitude.</p>	<p>Remember... Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.</p>	<p>Boots Montano ABR, SRES Realtor M. 416.832.1608 boots.montano@remaxhallmark.com T. 905.883.4922 9555 Yonge St., Suite 201 Richmond Hill, ON L4C 9M5</p>	<p>RE/MAX HALLMARK REALTY LTD. REMAXHALLMARK.COM </p>
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