

Holy Eucharist

Daily Mass	
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday (Adoration)	6:00 p.m.
(Holy Eucharist)	7:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
	6:00 p.m.
Native Peoples' Mass	12:30 p.m.
Bridgepoint Hospital	2:30 p.m.

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CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE FAMILY

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Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism: preparation required (please contact office)

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Matrimony: (couple contacts office one year in advance)

Pastoral Staff

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Music Ronald Vengie Fabre

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Caretaker Rosalie Tolentino

Cook Cristina Acosta

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday – Tuesday:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday:

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday: Closed



"The Family That Prays Together Stays Together" - Fr. Patrick Peyton, CSC

Saturdays

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.: **Food Bank**

4:15 p.m.: **Novena to St. Bro. Andre**

4:30 p.m.: **Novena to St. Ann**

6:00 p.m.: 1st Saturdays - **Healing Service**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: **Holy Family Prayer Group**

Sundays

9 - 10:00 a.m.: **Tai Chi Group**

10:00 a.m.: **Divine Mercy & Rosary**

10:30 a.m. Mass: **Children's Liturgy**

11:30 a.m.: 1st Sunday **Coffee Sunday**

Tuesdays:

1:00 p.m.: **Seniors' Group**

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council

Finance Council

Liturgy/Faith Formation

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Collection Counters

Hospitality committee

Development and Peace

Refugee Resettlement Group

Holy Family Prayer Group

Holy Cross Youth Group

Handmaids of the Lord

Couples Ministry

Music Ministry

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 29, 2017
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November 2 – All Souls Day

Why do Catholic Christians commemorate the dead during the month of November? The feast of All Souls and the month of November is a source of consolation for each of us. If our hearts are broken and suffering about the loss of loved ones, or if we are dealing with unresolved issues about good-byes that were not said, peace that was not made, gratitude that was not expressed, let us ask the faithful departed to intercede for us and for our own peace. The consoling doctrine of the Communion of Saints allows us to feel ever close to those who have died and gives us much hope in moments of despair and sadness.



As he was dying in the fall of 1996, the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago wrote a moving, personal testament, *The Gift of Peace*, that speaks powerfully about death and life: *Many people have asked me to tell them about heaven and the afterlife. I sometimes smile at the request because I do not know any more than they do. Yet, when one young man asked if I looked forward to being united with God and all those who have gone before me, I made a connection to something I said earlier in this book. The first time I traveled with my mother and sister to my parents' homeland of Tonadico di Primiero, in northern Italy, I felt as if I had been there before. After years of looking through my mother's photo albums, I knew the mountains, the land, the houses, the people. As soon as we entered the valley, I said, "My God, I know this place. I am home." Somehow I think crossing from this life into eternal life will be similar. I will be home. [pp. 152-153]*

May I suggest that each of you do the following during these days of November. Spend some time reflecting on those who have been close to you, who have died, and are now with the Lord.

- ❖ Slowly read this scripture passage -- **Wisdom 3:1-3**: *But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.*
- ❖ Remember one person close to you who has died. Bring this person's image into your mind's eye. As you remember his or her life, imagine the Lord Jesus escorting the person into heaven at the time of death. Finally, imagine this loved one waiting for you. Know that when your time of passing comes, the Lord and your loved ones who have gone before you will escort you into the kingdom of heaven.
- ❖ End your short remembering with this prayer: *Lord, you are the resurrection and the life. You promised that whoever believes in you will never die. Lord, through the power of your rising, help me believe in my own resurrection. Amen.*

May we spend our earthly pilgrimage filling our minds with the thoughts of heaven, so that when we finally cross over into eternal life, the images we see may not be foreign, startling or strange. Let us pray that we, too, may be able to say: **"My God, I know this place. I am home."**

-Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation

October: We pray for all Youth

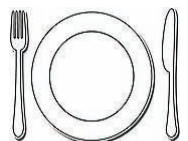


During this Year of the Family, we dedicate the month of October for all youth. We encourage you to pray for youth in our community and in the world.

Today Sunday, October 29 - Commitment ceremony.

HOLD Sunday Breakfast

The Handmaids of the Lord will host their monthly Breakfast **Today Sunday, October 29**. Please join us at the hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass for breakfast and fellowship.



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Mass Intentions

(October 27 – November 3, 2017)

Friday, October 27:

7:00 p.m.: Thanksgiving for Carmina Milaya
Req. Holy Cross Youth Group

Saturday, October 28: *Sts. Simon and Jude*

6:00 p.m.: + Christine Fernandes
Req. Anne Otterson and Claire Richard

Sunday, October 29:

6:00 p.m.: + Ivanka Gorse
Req. Mary Sehovic



St. Ann's Parish invites you to celebrate with us this Christmas season with a Christmas Gala Evening on **Saturday, December 9, 2017**. The formal reception will be held in the Hall starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30.00 with proceeds going towards the New Heating System project.

Vigil Candles



During the Month of November, we will remember and pray for all the people who have died in our family, our community and the world. As a concrete gesture of the memorial of the dead we welcome you to light a candle before the altar and pray for them

during the mass. Please consider buying a Vigil Candle (**Cost: \$5.00**) and write the name of the person you want to remember and pray for.

All Souls Day – November 2

There will be a special time of reflection and prayer on **Thursday, November 2**, followed by a mass offered for all the faithful departed.

6:00 p.m. - Adoration, Reflection & Prayer

7:00 p.m. - Mass for the faithful departed



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Book of Remembrance

You can now write the name of departed family members and friends in our book of remembrance. We will remember and pray for them throughout the month of November.

Children's Christmas pageant

Rehearsals for the children's Christmas pageant **start November 19**. Any interested families can sign up after Sunday morning mass on November 5 and 12. If you have any questions, or would like to sign up, feel free to email melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca.



The Gift of Gratitude: Handling Our Losses

Join us on **Sunday, November 19**, after the 10:30 a.m. mass for a presentation on *The Gift of Gratitude: Handling Our Losses* by Alex Lopechuk, Coordinator of New Beginnings ministry. All are welcome to attend.



Senior Men's High School Retreat

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at Our Lady of the Airways Parish, Mississauga, on **Saturday, November 25** from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Seminarians deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. Registration to be done online at: www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information, please call the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997.

Fundraising for the New Heating System

This year we have done major renovations of the Hall and the New Sound System. Thanks to your generosity and fundraising by the volunteers. The New Heating System is installed with the help of the Archdiocese of Toronto. We need to do a major fundraising for the repayment of the debt. Total costs of the New Heating System is \$118,940.00. If anyone would like to contribute new envelopes will be provided. Please do help us with the fundraising project so we can repay the debt and keep us in your prayers during this time.



2017-2018 Sunday Missal Sale

You can now purchase the 2017-2018 Sunday Missal. Missals are available at the back of the church at a cost of \$5.00



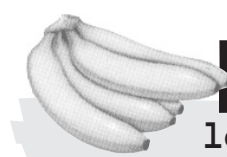
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