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OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday & 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday



Holy Eucharist



Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am

Friday (Adoration) 6:00 pm
(Holy Eucharist) 7:00 pm

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

6:00 pm

Native Peoples' Mass 12:30 pm

Bridgepoint Hospital 2:30 pm

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY

UNITY IN DIVERSITY "Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We value our diversity" (Mission Statement)

Pastoral Staff	
Pastor	Fr. Wilson Andrade CSC
In Residence	Fr. Francis Noronha CSC Fr. Roshan D'Souza, CSC
Finance	Anne Francis
Pastoral Assistants	Maria Fernandes
Baptism	Fe Santos
RCIA	Rolly Cabas
Development & Peace	Catherine Barry
Food Bank	Carlos & Colette Carreiro
Music	Vengie Fabre
Custodian	Ed Keenan
Caretaker	Rosalie Tolentino
Cook	Cristina Acosta
Celebration of Sacraments	
Baptism: preparation required (please contact office)	
Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment	
Matrimony (couples contact office one year in advance)	

Parish Happenings
Sundays
10 am: Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary
10:30 am Mass: Pre-School and Children's Liturgy
4pm - 6pm: Handmaids of the Lord
11:30 am: 1st Sundays: Coffee Sunday
Development and Peace group
11:30 am: 2nd Sundays: Youth Activities
11:30 am: 3rd Sundays: Pastoral Council
11:30 am: 4th Sundays: Couples Group
Saturdays
8 - 9:00 am Tai Chi Group
10 -11:30am: Food Bank
4:15 pm: Novena to St. Bro. Andre
4:30 pm: Novena to St. Ann
6:00 pm: 1st Saturdays - Healing Service
6:00 - 8:00 pm: Holy Family Prayer Group
1st Wednesday: 7:00pm - GRIEF MINISTRY
Tuesdays: 1:00PM - SENIORS BINGO

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**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 30, 2016
CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF MERCY**

Call of Zacchaeus - Lk 19:1-10

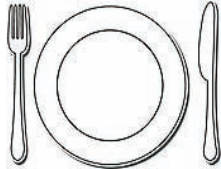
Homily of Pope Francis Mass for World Youth Day, Krakow

Today's Gospel speaks to us of just such a meeting between Jesus and a man named Zacchaeus, in Jericho (cf. Lk 19:1-10). There Jesus does not simply preach or greet people; as the Evangelist tells us, he *passed through* the city (v. 1). In other words, Jesus wants to draw near to us personally, to accompany our journey to its end, so that his life and our life can truly meet. An amazing encounter then takes place, with Zacchaeus, the chief "publican" or tax collector. His encounter with Jesus changed his life, just as it has changed, and can daily still change, each of our lives. But Zacchaeus had to face *a number of obstacles* in order to meet Jesus. *At least three of these* can also say something to us.

The first obstacle is smallness of stature: Zacchaeus couldn't see the Master because he was little. Even today we can risk not getting close to Jesus because we don't feel big enough, because we don't think ourselves worthy. This is a great temptation; it has to do not only with self-esteem, but with faith itself. For faith tells us that we are "children of God... that is what we are" (1 Jn 3:1). We have been created in God's own image; that is our real "stature", our spiritual identity: we are God's beloved children, always. At times in our lives, we aim lower rather than higher. God, on the other hand, is hopelessly hopeful! He believes in us even more than we believe in ourselves. He is always "cheering us on"; he is our biggest fan. In his eyes, you are precious, and your value is inestimable.

Zacchaeus faced a *second* obstacle in meeting Jesus: *the paralysis of shame*. We can imagine what was going on in his heart before he climbed that sycamore. It must have been quite a struggle – on one hand, a healthy curiosity and desire to know Jesus; on the other, the risk of appearing completely ridiculous. Zacchaeus was public figure, a man of power. The Gospel tells us that Zacchaeus "ran ahead", "climbed" the tree, and then, when Jesus called him, he "hurried down" (vv. 4, 6). He took a risk, he put his life on the line. Don't be ashamed to bring everything to the Lord in confession, especially your weaknesses, your struggles and your sins. He will surprise you with his forgiveness and his peace.

There was a *third* obstacle that Zacchaeus had to face. It was no longer an interior one, but was all around him. It was the *grumbling of the crowd*, who first blocked him and then criticized him: How could Jesus have entered his house, the house of a sinner! People will try to block you, to make you think that God is distant, rigid and insensitive, good to the good and bad to the bad. People may laugh at you because you believe in the gentle and unassuming power of mercy. Do not be afraid. Think of the motto of these days: "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy" (Mt 5:7). Don't be discouraged: with a smile and open arms, you proclaim hope and you are a blessing for our one human family, which here you represent so beautifully! Let us listen to the words that Jesus "Come down, for I must stay at your house today" (v. 5). Trust the memory of God: his memory is not a "hard disk" that "saves" and "archives" all our data, but a heart filled with tender compassion, one that finds joy in "erasing" in us every trace of evil. In silence, let us remember this encounter, let us preserve the memory of the presence of God and his word, and let us listen once more to the voice of Jesus as he calls us by name. So let us now pray silently, remembering and thanking the Lord wanted us to be here and has come here to meet us.

October 23, 2016	Total	<p align="center">HOLD Breakfast</p> <p>Today Sunday, October 30th, the Handmaids of the Lord are organizing their monthly Sunday breakfast. Please come down to the Hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass for freshly made breakfast and fellowship.</p> 
Offertory - Envelopes	\$1,003.25	
Offertory - Loose	\$263.80	
Total Offertory	\$1,267.05	

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Mass Intentions

(October 29 – November 4, 2016)

Saturday, October 29:

5:00 p.m.: + Paddy Gillen

Req. Alice Gillen

Sunday, October 30:

6:00 p.m.: + Anaclette Pereira

Req. Celina Pereira

+ Eufrasina Tupaz

Req. Rosie Tupaz

Wednesday, November 2: *All Souls Day*

8:00 a.m.: Intentions of John P. & Matilda D'Mello

+ Louisa Lax

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7:00 p.m.: + Cecilia Kosar

Req. Mary Sehovic & Family



All Souls Day Mass

This **Wednesday, November 2**, we will be celebrating our All Souls Day Mass at **7:00 p.m.** Candles will be lit during this evening to remember your departed loved ones in our prayers.

All Souls Day

We are called to remember and pray for all the people who have died in our family, our community and the world. Please consider lighting up a candle for your departed loved ones on this day. We will have special candles for purchase at the back of the church. The candles will be placed at the altar steps to commemorate All Souls Day at the **November 2, 7:00 p.m. mass**. Candles are \$5. We will remember your loved ones in our prayers.



Christmas Play

Preparations will soon begin for the Christmas pageant on Christmas Evening. Once again we are very grateful to Nancy and Melody McMullan for their faithful organization and tending of the pageant. For more information or to sign up, please email Nancy and Melody McMullan at melody.mcmullan@ryerson.ca

Workshop on the Art of Discernment

Given by a team of men and women religious, and a married couple. The workshop will take place at Loretto College (70 St. Mary St.) on **Saturday, November 5** from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$30, lunch included. More information or to register, contact Frances Harrison-Atell at fharrison-atell@csj-to.ca

Understanding of Afterlife

Matthew Hendzel, SJ will be giving a presentation on the Church's teaching on the afterlife, and how it is understood within Catholicism today. Please come with any questions you may have. This presentation will take place **next Sunday, November 6th** after the 10:30 am mass. You are welcomed to bring goodies to share with others. All are welcome.

Development and Peace Coffee Sunday



Next Sunday, November 6, is Development and Peace Coffee Sunday. Please join us at the Hall after the 10:30 a.m. mass for a fresh cup of coffee and fellowship. Fairtrade products will be available for sale.

Halloween Dinner and Dance



Come and support our youth's mission trip to build homes in Kingston, Jamaica next March 2017. Join us **Today, Saturday, October 29**, for a Halloween

Dinner and Dance from **6:30 pm - 10:00 pm**. Tickets will be available at the door (\$15). All event proceeds will go directly to youth travel & construction materials costs. There will be dinner, dancing, Halloween games and Prizes!

Humanitarian Relief - Haiti Emergency

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the devastation caused by Hurricane Matthew in Haiti on October 4, 2016. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. We offer our prayers for the victims of this natural disaster and those who have been displaced. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to help those in crisis in Haiti.

Pilgrimage to Rome, Lourdes and Holy Land

Fr. Wilson is on a Pilgrimage to Rome, Lourdes and the Holy Land from **October 22 to November 4**. Fr. Roshan will be presiding over the weekend liturgies. For Pastoral or administrative requests, contact the office at 416-466-2127.



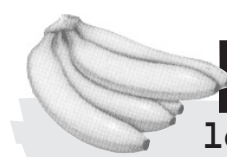
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