

Immaculate Conception R.C. Church

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Pastoral Team

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday:	4:00pm	Keswick
	5:30pm	Sutton
Sunday:	8:30am	Sutton
	10:30am	Keswick

Weekday Masses:

Please consult Sunday's bulletin

Confessions (Reconciliation): Before Masses whenever possible - or by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Consult Weekly Mass Schedule in the Parish bulletin.

New Parishioners Registration: For registration, please use the pink visitor envelopes. Income Tax Receipts issued for minimum donation of \$25.

Papal Blessings: For special celebrations, please go to www.vatican.ca for directions.

Bequests: In your kindness, please remember Immaculate Conception & Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

Parish Organizations and Special Groups

SVDP: Maria (V.P.) - 416-557-9964 or 905-476-0097

Third Order Secular Franciscans: Rolf - 905-989-0523

Area Schools

St. Bernadette (Sutton):	905-722-6226
St. Thomas Aquinas (Keswick):	905-476-7784
Prince of Peace (Keswick):	905-476-1551
Our Lady of the Lake College (Keswick):	905-656-9140

Marriages: Marriages are celebrated in the Church where the bride or groom is registered at. When a man and a woman plan to marry each other, they should contact a priest one year in advance and always before the wedding date is set, and before arranging for the reception hall. The engaged are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Course.

Please note: However, if this man or woman has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted. Questions are often being asked about marriages performed outside the Catholic Church by non-Catholic ministers. These are not valid marriages according to the teaching of the Catholic Church, but many can be rectified by simply consulting with your Parish priest to discuss the available options. Sometimes people make decisions without proper information, so if you wish, please contact your Pastor for details or call the Marriage Tribunal at 416-934-3400 ext 300.

Marriage Preparation Courses

Queen of Apostles Centre 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048, The Paulist Centre 416-534-2326, St. Francis Retreat Centre 519-941-1747, Our Lady of Grace Church 705-424-1551

Marriage Counselling

Retrouville 416-281-6007, Marriage Encounter 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048

Baptisms

Baptisms celebrated in Sutton and Keswick: The forms are available online or at the parish office. Forms must be complete and include copies of baptismal certificates for parents and godparents. Parents are required to attend 2 Catechism meetings. First with Father and second with the Deacon. Meetings are set only after completed registration forms with certificates are provided to the parish.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SUTTON - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Mon. Nov 7	8:30am: In thanksgiving to St. Jude for favours received req. Maria Fernandes
Tues. Nov 8	8:30am: In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph req. the Penn's
Wed. Nov 9	8:30am: Special Intentions req. Lou Conte
Sat. Nov 12	5:30pm: Heath and Blessings upon Mary Jane Lau Moon Lin req. the Parcel's
Sun. Nov 13	8:30am: Blessings & Health upon Antonio & Maria Gonsalves req. Rose Sheppard

KESWICK - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Thur. Nov 10	8:30am: Special Intentions req. Anna Masciarelli
Fri. Nov 11	8:30am: Blessings upon Perry Smith req. Helen Bromley
Sat. Nov 12	4:00pm: +Serafina De Thomasiss req. Kathy Perruzza
Sun. Nov 13	10:30am: Parishioners (Pro Populo)

Weekly Collection: \$2,514.00 Thank you.

PARISH DEBT as of October30 - \$98,000

A special welcome to **Bishop John Boissonneau** who is visiting our churches on Sunday, November 6th. A special blessing of appreciation will be given to Rose and Norm following the 8:30am Mass in Sutton.

1st HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISM CLASS 1
Class 1 will be held after all Masses the weekend of **Nov. 19/20. Must be Officially Registered to attend.**

CONFIRMATION CATECHISM CLASS 1
Class 1 will be held after all Masses the weekend of **Nov. 26/27. Must be Officially Registered to attend.**

TREE OF LIFE

Parishioners can have their family name or the name of a loved one engraved on a leaf and displayed on the Tree. Leafs cost **\$300** and will be included in your annual tax receipt. Funds go the Building Maintenance Fund. Inquiries can be made to the parish office.

New SUNDAY MISSALS for sale \$5 each.

Musicians needed for the 8:30am Sunday Mass in Sutton. If you are interested, contact the parish office.

COFFEE SUNDAYS IN KESWICK – If a family or group of friends are interested in hosting a Sunday, sign your name on the sheet in the vestibule of the church and let's continue traditions of PARISH HOSPITALITY again. **Thank you to those who have already signed up.**

PRAYER FOR BENEFACTORS

Heavenly Lord, I ask you to pour out your blessings on those who have helped me along my way, whether I am aware of their contribution or not. Bless those who brought me up in life and faith, those who worked to make my life easier, those who befriended me along the way, those who prayed and offered sacrifices for me, and those who gave their lives for my welfare. Grant your blessing to all of them whether they are living or dead, and bring them all into the glorious light of your eternal Kingdom.

SHEPHERDS' TRUST

There is a special collection today 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. Thank you for your support of this important work.

2023 SUNDAY ENVELOPES

Kindly notify the office if you have moved to ensure receipt of your 2022 Income Tax Receipt. If you would like 2023 Sunday envelopes, please notify the office or simply fill in a pink envelope.

User of **Envelope #136**, please contact the office.

Throughout the month of November, our minds turn toward the **Holy Souls in Purgatory**. In fact, praying for the living and the dead is one of the spiritual works of mercy. Pray for your loved ones – or even those you have never met – who are now in Purgatory.

“My love urges Me to release the poor souls. If a beneficent king leaves his guilty friend in prison for justice’s sake, he awaits with longing for one of his nobles to plead for the prisoner and to offer something for his release. Then the king joyfully sets him free. Similarly, I accept with highest pleasure what is offered to Me for the poor souls, for I long inexpressibly to have near Me those for whom I paid so great a price. By the prayers of thy loving soul, I am induced to free a prisoner from Purgatory as often as thou dost move thy tongue to utter a word of prayer!” – *Our Lord to St. Gertrude*

Does the Catholic Church still believe in Purgatory?

From the earliest days of the Church, Catholics have believed in a place of final purification for the faithful who died. Those who died a martyr were recognized as already with God, since they were perfectly conformed to Christ and His Cross by their martyrdom. For the many believers who never had the opportunity to give such a public witness, the Church offered prayers, especially the Mass, that having been purified from every imperfection they would enter into Heaven. This can be found in many ancient texts, as well as the witness of the catacombs and of tombs. In the Middle Ages the theological explanation was developed and the name Purgatory began to be used, since it aptly describes the belief of the Church from the beginning up until today.

All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect.... (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1030-1031)

What does repose of the soul mean?

Scripture uses the expression “falling asleep” for death in Christ (1 Cor. 15:20). Thus, repose of the soul means its resting in God until the day of the General Resurrection.

Can you pray for the dead?

The Holy Souls cannot pray for themselves, and they are in need of our prayers. We should never assume a person went immediately to God, and even people who went on to be canonized died wanting Masses and prayers to be said for them.

While the Church does not pray liturgically for those who lived and died scandalously, family members and friends certainly may pray for them, hoping that their loved one made a last minute conversion. If their prayers can't help the person, they are still meritorious for the one who prayed.

It is unnecessary, of course, to pray for canonized Saints, and those who are in Hell are beyond our reach and God's mercy.

Can the dead intercede for the living?

Yes, just souls can, whether in Heaven or Purgatory. All the faithful, whether on earth (the Church Militant), in Purgatory (the Church Suffering), or in Heaven (the Church Triumphant), form a “Communion of the Saints” in God, for “He is not God of the dead, but of the living; for all live to Him” (Luke 20:38).

So, while the Holy Souls cannot pray for themselves, we will obtain powerful intercessors and please the Lord with our prayers for them.

St. Paul of the Cross once said, “If, during life, we have been kind to the suffering souls in Purgatory, God will see that help be not denied us after death.”

Prayer to the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Oh Holy souls in purgatory, you are the certain heirs of heaven. You are most dear to Jesus as the trophies of his Precious Blood and to Mary, Mother of mercy. Obtain for me through your intercession the grace to lead a holy life, to die a happy death and to attain the blessedness of eternity in heaven. Dear suffering souls, who long to be delivered in order to praise and glorify God in heaven, by your unfailing pity help me in the needs which distress me at this time, particularly this one.....so that I may obtain relief and assistance from God. In gratitude for your intercession I offer to God in your behalf the satisfactory merit of my prayer and work, my joys and sufferings of this day. Amen.

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