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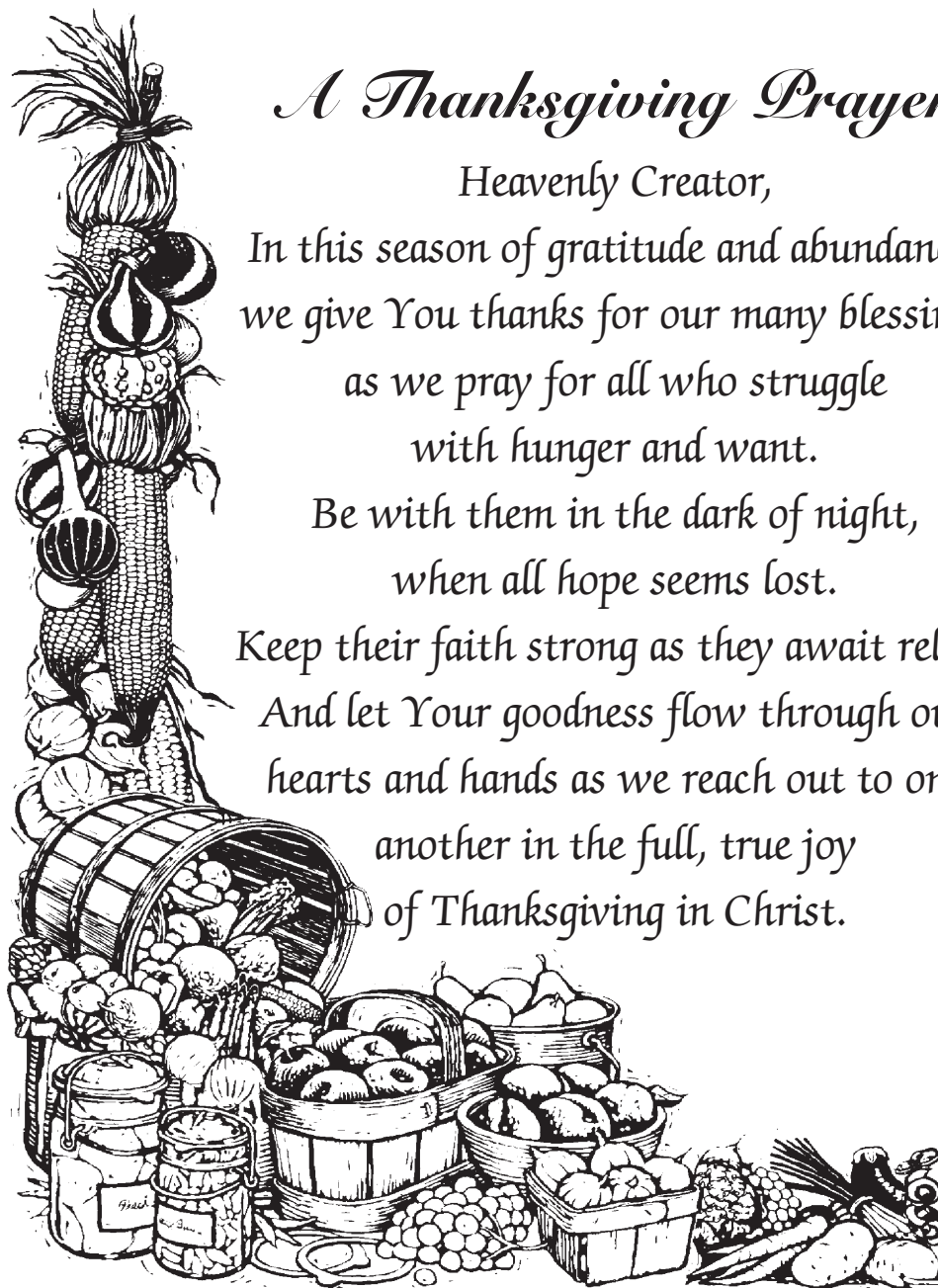
A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle
with hunger and want.

Be with them in the dark of night,
when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy
of Thanksgiving in Christ.



TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 9th @ 9:00 am

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Tuesday, October 10th @ 7:00 pm

† Francisco Lomibao req. by Carlos and Emy de Asis

† Antonietta Cimone req. by Romano and Mary Lou Acciaccaferri

Thanksgiving to God for prayers answered req. by Flagello Family

Wednesday, October 11th @ 8:30 am

† Kyle Knox req. by Fr. Michael

Thursday, October 12th @ 8:30 am and Holy Hour from 9 am to 10 am

† Petra Ward req. by Damiana and Family

Friday, October 13th @ 7:00 pm

† Francesco Mireni req. by Anonymous

Saturday, October 14th @ 9:00 am

Pope, Bishops, Priests, Hughes &

† McConville Families req. by Fr. Michael

† Johnny Gilroy req. by Fr. Michael

† Pereira Family req. by Fr. Michael

† Domenico Metauro req. by Anna Metauro & Family @ 5:00 pm

† Joe and Maria Dias req. by Tavares Family

Sunday, October 15th @ 9:00 am

† Theresa & John Innamorato req. by Dina and Michael Simon

@11:00 am

† Teresa, Bartolome and Leopold Gamboa req. by Angel and Cris Dumanat

@12:30 pm

St. Mark Community req. by Fr. Michael

World Mission Sunday

This year, World Mission Sunday will take place on October 22nd.

On that day, we celebrate who we are as Christians: missionary disciples. It's a time of prayer. We are also invited to look beyond our local Church in Canada and assist through financial gifts, the missionary work needed in the young dioceses in many developing countries. An example of this work is providing health care centres, building schools, and empowering lay pastoral workers, construction of convents and presbyteries. Please pray for the missions and show generosity on World Mission Sunday.

Join in Praying the Rosary

In commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of Fatima's Miracle of the Sun and the Apparitions of our Lady, prayer groups and Churches from all around the world will be praying the Rosary on **Saturday, October 14th at 12 noon.**

Location to gather for our area is the corner of Hwy 7 and McCowan Rd.

Thank You For Your Generosity

Weekly Offering \$ 5,351

Spiritual Corner



Excerpt from:

St. Therese of Lisieux by those who knew her Testimonies from the process of beatification

Edited and translated by Christopher O'Mahony.

Published by Veritas Publications.

"Towards the end of her life, when my two sisters and I were at her bedside, she revealed to us with great simplicity the strange presentiment she had about what would happen in her own regard after she died. She gave us to understand that people would be looking for relics of her, and that she would have a spiritual mission to accomplish propagating her 'ordinary way of trust and surrender'. She also said: 'The manuscript (her autobiography) must be published without delay after my death. If you delay, the devil will set all sorts of traps to stop its publication, important though it is'. 'So you think it is by means of the manuscript that you are going to benefit people?' I said. 'Yes, it is one of the means which God will use to make me heard. It will benefit all kinds of people. 'But what if Mother Prioress throws it in the fire?' I insisted. 'That's all right. It won't hurt me in the least, or make me doubt my mission in the slightest. I would merely think that God was going to satisfy my desires in some other way.'"

Testimony of Mother Agnes of Jesus (Prioress of the Lisieux Carmel.)

Villanova College Open House

October 18 at 7 pm and October 20 at 10 am

Please join us for a personal tour at one of our upcoming fall **Open Houses: Oct. 18 - 7pm & Oct. 20 - 10am**

As York Region's only independent, Catholic school, Villanova College offers an enriched academic program from Grades 4 to 12, focusing on the development of the whole child through the teachings of the Catholic Church and through extensive co-curricular programs. Please visit our website at www.villanovacollege.org to register for one of our upcoming Open Houses or contact the Office of Admissions at 905-833-1909 or admissions@villanovacollege.ca

Archdiocese of Toronto

175th Anniversary - Central Region

October 19th at 7 pm Blessed Trinity Parish

As we celebrate the 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Toronto, Cardinal Thomas Collins extends an invitation for all to join him for Mass and a reception to commemorate this historic milestone.

The Central Pastoral Region celebration will take place at **Blessed Trinity Parish, 3220 Bayview Ave.** on Thursday, October 19th at 7 pm.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

October 20 - 22 at Queen of Apostles Centre

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. **Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga**

For more information and to register; www.wme.org or 905-792-1925

OCTOBER 8, 2017

Offertory Box Requests

Offertory Boxes will no longer be issued for the remainder of 2017. To request a 2018 Offertory Box, please fill out a request form which can be found in the lobby and submit it to the office. You can pick up your 2018 box during the general distribution which should take place at the beginning of November. **Please do not use the 2018 boxes until January.** You can use the pink visitor envelopes until the end of the year.

Enrolment in the Brown Scapular

October 7/8 and October 14/15



For anyone who would like to be enrolled in the brown scapular, Fr. Michael will be performing a short ceremony after each of the weekend

Masses on October 7th and 8th and 14th and 15th. Scapulars will be provided by the Parish.



Confirmation Registration

- Confirmation Online Registration for Grade 7 students begins **Tuesday, October 10th at 9 am** and is on a first-come first-serve basis.
- A mandatory **Parent Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the church.**

Saint Vincent de Paul – Bundle Up

October 14th and 15th



What an opportunity!

Clean out your closets and drawers because a Saint Vincent de Paul truck will be in the Church parking lot on October 14th and 15th. Your donation of gently used clothing and household goods will be given or sold to benefit those in need. Thanks for your support.

Women's Ministry Vendor Sale

Sunday, October 22nd from 9 am to 2 pm

THIRD ANNUAL

WOMEN'S MINISTRY VENDOR SALE

The St. Mark's Women's Ministry invites you to attend their Third Annual Vendor Sale, on Sunday, October 22, 2017, 9:00AM-2:00PM in the Church Hall. More than 25 vendors will be in attendance! Come join us, and buy that perfect gift for yourself or someone else. It's a great time to get some early Christmas shopping done too! We thank you for your support in helping us to raise funds for our Ministry and the St. Mark's Church expansion. Vendors are still needed. If you'd like to participate as a vendor, please contact Antonietta Botticelli at antoniettab@sympatico.ca.

Trip to St. Michael's Cathedral

Thursday, October 26th

The bus for the trip to St. Michael's Cathedral is now full! For those registered to go on the trip, please note the meeting time in the Church parking lot is 8:15 am and the bus will leave promptly at 8:30 am. Thank you for your interest. Josie Schwarzli 905-640-1693



Parish Movie Night

Saturday, October 28th



This month's movie: The 13th Day

The incredible true story of three shepherd children from the village of Fatima in Portugal who experienced six apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary between May and October 1917, which culminated in the Miracle of the Sun. Our Lady gave a secret to the children told in three parts, from a harrowing vision of hell to prophetic warnings of future events.

Pizza, drinks and snacks on sale at 6:00 pm
Movie to start at 6:30pm

The movie is free of charge. Running Time: 85 minutes

St. Mark's Women's Ministry Meeting

October 30th at 7:30 pm

Please join us at our next meeting on Monday, October 30 at 7:30PM. This month's theme is always a member favourite - Topics in a Basket! We will break into small groups and discuss topics related to charitable work, faith in times of disaster and helping our adult children carry their faith forth into the world. Small group provides an excellent opportunity to support each other, share our personal experiences and feel God's presence among us. We hope you will join us, and bring a friend! See you then.

EDGE

Thank you to the fifty-five youth who attended our first EDGE night last month!

Interested in joining our free EDGE youth ministry program for youth in grades 5, 6, 7, 8?

Register online here:

www.tinyurl.com/EDGE20172018

We are looking forward to our next EDGE night happening on Friday October 20th from 7-9 PM in the Parish Hall!

Fr. Jacob's Farewell Reception Thank You!!!

Thank you to the Funeral Luncheon Committee for organizing and supplying the supplemental food for Fr. Jacob's Farewell Reception.

Thank you also to all those who donated food.

It was a wonderful time for all!

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