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### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Closed for Lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.  
Friday Office Closed.

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Mass: 7:00 p.m.  
Rosary prayed 20 minutes before weekday masses.

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
or anytime by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please pick up a baptism package from Fr. Charles after mass.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course. Please call the Parish Office.

### PARISH REGISTRATION:

All families attending St. Leo's are requested to register with the parish.  
Registration forms (Welcome Cards) are available in the vestibule of the church.

### LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY PASTORAL VISITATION

If you or someone in your family is in the Oshawa, Whitby or Port Perry Hospitals and would like to have a priest (for serious reasons) visit the person who is sick for Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession or Communion, please note that there is a full-time Catholic Priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether *Father Manuel Duterte* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If Father Manuel is not available and there is an emergency requiring a Catholic priest, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286 and when prompted, press "8" and leave your message. Fr. Charles will receive your message (if he is available) and return your call. If there is no emergency but you would like to speak to Fr. Charles, please call the parish office and leave a message with the parish secretary at 905-655-3286 x 101.

**DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS YET A COMMON  
CALL FOR TORONTO'S NEWEST PRIESTS**

**Archdiocese of Toronto  
celebrates ordination of five men to the Priesthood**

Five men were ordained to the priesthood to serve the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto this weekend on Saturday, May 10. Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, presided at the Mass which took place at 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral. Close to 1,000 guests were in attendance.

These newly ordained have undergone a minimum five years of extensive spiritual formation, theological education and field training in preparation for priestly ministry. As priests they will be assigned to one of 225 parishes of the Archdiocese of Toronto which stretches from Oshawa to Mississauga and north to Georgian Bay. The "Class of 2014" includes:

**Reverend Mr. Scott Birchall**, 32, born in Richmond Hill, the youngest of four children. Scott worked as an urban planner for the Town of Newmarket before entering St. Augustine's Seminary in 2008. He has also provided pastoral outreach to migrant workers in the Holland Marsh.

**Reverend Mr. Omar Hernandez**, 32, born in Colombia, the youngest of six siblings. Inspired by a spiritual retreat given by the Neo Catechumenal Way when he was 19, Omar entered the Redemptoris Mater Seminary in Medellin in January 2003 and was sent to Toronto to complete his studies.

**Reverend Mr. Marijan Šiško**, 37, born in Croatia, the seventh child of eight. Marijan studied to be a chef and hotelier. The death of his oldest brother brought him back to the church, entering the Neo Catechumenal community in his parish. In 2004 he entered the Redemptoris Mater Seminary of Toronto.

**Reverend Mr. Michael Simoes**, 29, born in Toronto, the youngest of three children. Michael studied chemical engineering at the University of Waterloo. Upon completing his degree, he was accepted into St. Augustine's Seminary in 2008.

**Reverend Mr. Neiman D'Souza**, 31, born in Kuwait and moved to Ontario in the late 1980s. Neiman grew up in Markham, attended the University of Toronto, worked at Staples in downtown Toronto and entered St. Augustine's Seminary in 2008.

As one of the most diverse dioceses in the world, the Archdiocese of Toronto is home to 1.9 million Catholics, with more than 800 diocesan and religious priests providing pastoral leadership in churches throughout the GTA. Mass is celebrated each week in more than 30 different languages.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

O God and Lord of the harvest, we pray you call and send more men to serve as priests in your Church. May those you have called hear your voice and respond with a lively faith. Amen.

**MY RESURRECTED FRIEND**

(From Patrick Sullivan's May 12, 2014 entry: *Easter Inspirations*)

The Church of this millennium will not thrive because we know our Catechism. The Church of this millennium will not endure because we fight against the moral collapse of our nation with more vigor and courage. The Church of this millennium will only explode with Faith and passion and zeal if we befriend Jesus, and we make Him the center of our lives. Some have called this revival *evangelical* Catholicism, and others *biblical* Catholicism, and others still (such as myself) prefer to call it simply, *Catholicism*. But no matter what it is called, there can be no doubt that what is missing in Catholic culture, is a clear and obvious focus on Jesus.

Now it would be easy to say in response that the Magisterium of the Church has been talking about Jesus quite candidly in recent years, and this is true. There has been, since the Council at least, a concerted effort on the part of Rome to talk to people about Jesus first, and everything else second, because let's face it, in our two thousand year history, this was not always the order of things.

It would also be easy to say that our liturgy is about Jesus, and the Church is about Jesus, and our doctrines revolve around the truths we know about Jesus and so on. And of course, all of this is true as well. But there are millions of people out there who do not see it that way. All they know is that *you* do not talk about Jesus. They do not hear *you* share the Good News that Jesus has brought to your life and the difference He has made. And quite possibly, there are many in your life right now who are not sure at all about how you would answer Jesus' direct question: *who do you say that I am?* (Matthew 16:15)

Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God (Matthew 16:16). But the risen Jesus is also our friend; He told us as much. More and more people are talking about Him. They are making homes and schedules where He is the priority. As St. Francis de Sales put it, they are daily *seeking the God of blessings rather than the blessings of God*. This is the Church of the new millennium. Its teaching hasn't changed. Its Faith hasn't wavered. But Jesus is our friend, and we want to tell people about Him.

**... there can be no doubt that what is missing in Catholic culture, is a clear and obvious focus on Jesus.**

– Patrick Sullivan (*St. Leo the Great Parish Catechist*)

**PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

On Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> the candidates for Confirmation from our parish will enter into a day of retreat with the visiting NET team and will be confirmed at Mass that evening. Please pray that our young people's experience of catechesis and the work and promptings of the Holy Spirit will lead them to joyfully say "Yes" to be true, fully-initiated disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ. May God bless them and their families. (*Fr. Charles*)

**MAY 18, 2014**

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
MONDAY, MAY 26<sup>th</sup> – MEMORIAL DAY**

**PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION UPDATE:**

**LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

- Envelopes, Loose bills and change - \$4611
  - Pre-Authorized Giving (PAP) - \$1987 (April)
- ➔ TOTAL COLLECTION LAST WEEK: \$6598

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Tues., May 20 – 8:30 am – For the intentions of Madelaine Vonk  
10:00 am – ST. BRIDGET SCHOOL MASS (at School)  
Wed., May 21 – 7:00 pm – CONFIRMATION MASS  
Thurs., May 22 – 8:30 am – For the intentions of Shirley Pecevnik  
Req. by Madelaine Vonk & Valerie Hotner  
Fri., May 23 – 8:30 am – For deceased members of the Felix Family  
Req. by Madge St. Denis  
Sat., May 24 – 5:00 pm – Elisabetta Casalino Raimondo+  
Req. by Brenda & David Murray  
Sun., May 25 - 9:00 am – Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Buggie+  
Req. by the Hallihan Family  
Sun., May 25 – 11:00 am – Johannes & Carolina De Wit+  
Req. by M. Franssen

**Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 18, 2014 –  
World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

“The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these...” Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Hansoo Park – 416-968-0997 email [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)**.

**Angels Explained-What You Should Know About  
the Nine Choirs - Dr. Mark Miravalle**

Dr. Mark Miravalle - Professor of Theology and Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville gives an enlightening talk on the subject of angels. When we think of angels we probably have in our mind the image of a human person dressed in a long flowing robe with large fluffy wings, or maybe a plump little cute cherub. By using Sacred Scripture, Church Tradition, and the commentaries of St. Dionysius, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Bonaventure, and other Church Fathers, Dr. Miravalle ignores the juvenile ideas that most of us have held since childhood, and provides the listener with logical and well-grounded information in order to develop a deeper understanding of angels. Why did God create angels? What do they look like? What's their purpose? Why did Lucifer turn away from God? What are the nine choirs of angels? Why are our guardian angels so important to us? This fascinating CD will answer these questions and many more. At times the lecture becomes very theological and a bit of a challenge to follow, but overall I really enjoyed this CD because it shed light on an area of my faith that I am not very knowledgeable about. We don't give much thought about angels, some of us even question their existence. Angels Explained has opened my eyes wide to this God-given “untapped source” that I have been ignoring for most of my life.  
Francesco, Parishioner

**CATECHIST CORNER**

**\*My family member tells me that my belief in God is a crutch. What do you think?\***

Answer: It might be.

I certainly have known people who use religion as a way to escape what is right in front of them. And quite frequently I encounter people who baptize their children \*just in case\* God is real. But I also know many atheists who do the same thing. Not wanting to face the reality of a universe that does not hold them at the pinnacle; not wanting their behaviour to be judged by anyone, some people discard God as their way to escape these truths. Many things can be used as a crutch, and some people do use God that way. I just have no idea whether you are one of them.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 18, 2014**

“My worst day clean is better than my best day using,” exclaims Suzanne, as she shares the details of her past use of drugs and other substance abuse. “I was on medication constantly to deal with the side effects and was a chronic pain patient for 35 years. I was sick and tired of being sick and tired. With the support of Catholic Family Services, Suzanne got her life back on track. The positive influence of CFS sistering program supervisor Valerie Anderson and encouragement from other professional staff gave Suzanne the courage to try again. She sheds ‘tears of joy’ as she now speaks on behalf of CFS, sharing the detailed differences Catholic Family Services has made in her life. Over 77,000 individuals received help in getting their lives back on track through ShareLife-supported family services programs.

**Next ShareLife Sunday – June 1, 2014**

**Please give generously. You can work wonders!**

**The Catholic Women's League** of the Parish thank you for your generous response to our Mother's Day Quilt Raffle. Teresa Jensen and Pat Champion created the beautiful quilt and they will be presenting Father Charles with a \$755.50 cheque for parish use after this Saturday's 5:00pm Mass.

The winner of the quilt was Pina Floris. Congratulations Pina!

**Totus Tuus is coming!**

The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus (Latin for Totally Yours) this summer from July 20<sup>th</sup> to July 25<sup>th</sup>. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesan program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through catechetical instruction, Mass, confession, songs and games! The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday-Friday from 9 am - 2:30 pm. The Intermediate/High School program for grades 7-12 runs Sunday-Thursday from 7 pm - 9 pm. **The cost is only \$50 per person for the entire week.** To register or for more information, please contact Carly Thistel (Totus Tuus Co-ordinator) at [carlythistel@gmail.com](mailto:carlythistel@gmail.com) More information about the program is also available at [www.totustuustoronto.ca](http://www.totustuustoronto.ca)


**Do not be sad and alone any longer. We can help. Call 416-629-8264 or email [projrachelinfo@gmail.com](mailto:projrachelinfo@gmail.com). A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion: June 6-8, 2014. Project Rachel – Private and Confidential. *I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. (John 10:10)***




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