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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

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Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday
5:30 PM

Sunday
10:00 AM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please contact ext. 222, for
more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons
1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed

Friday closed

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group
Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)
During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 1

Hebrews 11:32-40 Psalm 31:19-23 Mark 5:1-20

5:30 pm Int. of General Council

Tuesday, February 2

*Malachi 3:1-4 Psalm 24:7-10
Hebrews 2:10-11, 13-18*

5:30 pm Int. of the Parish Staff

Wednesday, February 3

*Hebrews 12:4-7,11-15 Psalm
103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18 Mark 6:1-6*

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Thursday, February 4

*Hebrews 412:18-19,21-24 Psalm
48 1-3,8-10 Mark 6:7-13*

5:30 pm Int. of Fr, Dan

Friday, February 5

Hebrews 13:1-8 Psalm 27:1.3.5,8-9 Mark 6:14-29

5:30 pm Deceased of the Parish

Saturday, February 6

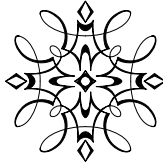
*Hebrews 13:15-17,20-21
Psalm 23 1-6 Mark 6:30-34*

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Sunday February 7

*Job 7:1-4,6-7 Psalm 147:1-6
Mark 1:29-39*

10:00 am The Parish Community



The Friars Nook

I was reading in the paper this week, and it's hard to believe but it's been one year since COVID came to Canada. Canadians have always been very welcoming, certainly to me, but I wish you weren't so welcoming the pandemic! It's a different world than it was a year ago. Apart from the financial strains that abound, the social strains continue to manifest themselves. I had a funeral this past week with only nine family members allowed to attend. It was sad because some had to choose to attend the funeral and others that you chose to attend the graveside service. You, shouldn't have to make those kind of choices but, in the world that we live in, with a pandemic still active in our lives that's what we're left with. As you know the church is closed until one week before Ash Wednesday, but I fear that that will be extended into Lent. I join you in your frustration that the vaccination has not been rolled out as quickly as we had hoped, but we need to remain vigilant in our lives and care for each other in the meantime. I hope this year we will be able to celebrate Holy Week together again even if that means limited number of people in the church. It's sure beats an empty church like we had last year.

As most of you know, I am an extrovert and not having people to talk to, to share with, even just to be around, has been a major hardship for me. I have a whole new relationship with my computer though between Zoom meetings and online Bible studies, I have spent a lot more time sitting in this chair than I care too! I'm glad that we can at least reach out to you.

In the meantime, we are trying to move forward, ever so slowly, with the life of the church in this pandemic. We are challenged with sacramental preparation when we can't meet with the kids, and some things work much better face to face. As Cardinal Collins said: "We are an incarnational church", Christ comes to be one of us and it's in relationship to each other that we are in relation with God. We are fortunate that we have people who are working hard trying to maintain those contacts. I will be online for now and we will continue to strive to make those connections in person when we can.

I don't think anyone took me up on the offer to come and see our new trash and recycle bins so I'm upping the ante! We now have new handrails attached to the outside wall of the church as you come in from Bloor Street. Now when people can come back to the church, they should have an easier [and safer] time coming up the stairs. As you are reading this online, you'll be happy to know that our new parish website is in process! We've seen the first draft and it looks promising. It should be easy to use and we will have a calendar available on the site. Now all we have to do is wait for the pandemic to be over and we can actually fill up the calendar with things that are happening here in the parish! I am grateful to the Stewardship Committee who has been spearheading this and moving us forward. The Building Committee as well has been no slouch, doing whatever they can during this time of shutdown to make the church a better place for you.

Since the isolation brought on by the pandemic increases the stress in our lives, I invite you to reach out and call or email those parishioners who may be alone and under greater stress just to say hi and that you're thinking of them.

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I spend each Sunday afternoon reading the comments from those who have watched Sunday Mass. It's nice to hear from you it helps me to feel still connected even if I can't see you face to face. Till that day...

Praying for you. Fr Bob

Lector Formation Webinar-Richer Access: The Importance of the Lectionary. On Wednesday, March 10, Rebecca Spellacy, Associate Director of Liturgy invite all lectors to join her for a webinar on the history of the lectionary and its important role in the life of the Church. There is no coast to attend, but online registration is required. Please register at <http://bit.ly/LFW-RegustrMar2021> by Monday March 8. Your registration confirmation email will include details on how to join the webinar. For more information visit: <http://bit.ly?LFW-OisterNarc2021>. If you have further questions call Ella Okonkwo at 416 934-3400 ext. 523 or formation@archtoronto.org

THE FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five-hundred-word essay for the Week of Christian Unity, celebrated from January 18th to the 25th, 2021. This year the theme is, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit" (cf. John 15:5-9) Contest Rules: All submissions will be read by a panel including professional journalists and the Director of the Office for Promoting Christian Unity, Archdiocese of Toronto, and judged on overall merit. Contestants must be 14-18 years of age, and currently enrolled in an Ontario secondary school or equivalent program. Essay must be between 450 to 500 words in length and submitted on or before the contest closing date of Feb. 15, 2021. Entries must include contestant's full name, email address, phone number and name of your school on the front page of your essay. Submission Deadline: Monday, February 15, 2021. Submit essays by E-mail: Re: "Friars' Contest" to editor@catholicregister.org For information: 416-934-3400 (x 527) or 1-855-441-4077 (x 401) For contest details & resources please visit: www.catholicregister.org/writingaward & <http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristiani/en/settimana-di-preghiera-per-l-unita/en.html>

Prayer in Times of Crisis

*For our Community in this time of crisis: Lord, sustain us with Your strength and guide us in the ways of wisdom.
Almighty God, you are blessed throughout all ages for Your mercy and love. Look upon us in our time of need and give us the strength to preserve in Your love. Protect your people from all harm and guide us with the light of Your face until we overcome all dangers. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*
(Taken from Blessings and Prayers for Home and family, CCCB Pub.)



OFFICE INFORMATION

2021 OFFERTORY

ENVELOPES

Are ready for pickup, they can be collected Tuesdays and Thursdays when Rosanne is in the office.

2021 SUNDAY MISSALS: are available from the office for \$5.00 each. When Rosanne is in.

MASSES

We are still accepting requests for mass intentions.

SOCIAL DISTANCING IS

PRACTICED AT THE PARISH

When you come to the office to collect something, we put it in the mailbox for you to collect. If you owe us money, for example for a mass, we will put the card in the mailbox, and ask you put the money in the mailbox and ring the bell, so we can collect it once you are away from the door. The same is done for offertory envelopes.

A Message from the Office

Now that the 2020 books have been closed, some of you now have new numbers. Especially if your box number was over 400. Please make sure you put your information on your envelopes for recording. The old numbers have been deleted from the parish records.



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