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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers Catrina Bova

Lectors:
Genia Vanderkruk
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir
Michael Thibodeau

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

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 1003, 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 1007

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Closed Wednesday mornings

> Wednesday afternoons 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM 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 Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus

1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society 2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 13

5:30 pm Int. of Carlos Iberra *Ws 1:1-7 Ps 139:1-10 Lk 17:1-6*

Tuesday, November 14

5:30 pm Dr. Michel Kovalik Ws 2:23-29 Ps 34:2-19 Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 15

5:30 pm Benno Wilke Ws 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-7 Lk 17:11-19

Thursday, November 16

5:30 pm John Hruskoci Ws 7:22-8:1 Ps 119: 89-90, 91+130, 135+175 Lk 17:20-25

Friday, November 17

5:30 pm Int. of Shari Ramos Ws 13:1-9 Ps 19:1-2, 3-4ab Lk 17:26-37

Saturday, November 18

5:30 pm Leon & Maria Dacanay Ws 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8

Sunday, November 19 World Day of the Poor

10:00 am Int. of the Gen Council of the Friars 12:00 pm Parish Community Proverbs 31:10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31 Ps 128:1-2,3,4-5 1Thess5:1-5 Mt 25:14-30





The Friar's Nook

I finally received the evaluation of Bishop Kasun's visit to us in the beginning of October. He has been very busy, and I certainly can understand that. I must admit that I was very pleased at his impression of Saint Joan of Arc parish. He was happy to see what he called "the five pillars of a parish namely", liturgical ministries, faith formation ministries, outreach and social justice activities, social activities, and parish service groups. He sees them as functioning within the principles of stewardship and with the synodal themes of the wider church. He was moved by the enthusiasm the parishioners had for their parish and the sense of ownership that they have. That is all on you and I must say that it makes me proud.

It wasn't all sweetness and light though, there were concerns and complaints as well. The largest concern of course was the time I spend away from the parish doing the work of the Friars. I agree with you it's very difficult to keep the parish going when I do have to be away as often as I do. Just so you know I rejected travel requests to Italy and to Peru this September so that we could get the parish up and running. Also, there were complaints about my homilies, especially where I mentioned my family or Bodhi. I do wish that people would talk to me about these things since if I don't know about it, I can't change it.

Apparently, there are people who don't like to see a dog in the sanctuary. Again, all I have heard are positive things so if there are problems, I haven't heard of them. Again, I ask you the please speak to me, I think I'm very approachable, rather than sitting on ill feelings. I hope we can have clear and open communications, but I can't respond to what I'm not aware of firsthand. Rumors or complaints really don't add up to anything. If a person is unwilling to commit themselves to their opinion, then we can't respond to it.

Lastly, I am not "the great communicator." Being pulled in many directions, I find it hard to keep up with communicating all that is going on. Trust me, there is a lot going on and there isn't some secret cabal running the parish. I ask you to help me communicate better so that we can continue to grow. We have been operating at a deficit since COVID and I have tried not to burden you. I was hoping that as the parish grew, we would come out of this but that hasn't happened yet.

Keep me in your prayers, as you are in mine,

Fr. Bob

<u>Apostolic Exhortation Laudate Deum (Praise God)</u>

"The world sings of an infinite Love: how can we fail to care for it?" (Pope Francis, Laudate Deum #65). On October 4th, Pope Francis published an apostolic exhortation called Laudate Deum (Praise God in Latin) and addressed it "To all People of Good Will on the Climate Crisis". Read Laudate Deum online, watch the launch event and find helpful resources and suggested actions at this website https://laudatedeum.church/

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway - Share your ideas to assist with future planning! Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and complete the short survey by December 15, 2023, please visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation. Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

Development and Peace

D & P will be having their monthly Fair Trade sales on the weekend of November 25-26 in the parish hall after the Saturday 5:30 and Sunday 10:00 masses. We will be offering fair trade coffee, chocolates, cocoa, and olive oil. These products would make wonderful Christmas gifts plus they are also helping our neighbours in the Global South.

Parish Community Fundraiser: Christmas Dinner

We invite you to the Christmas Dinner on December 3rd, 2023, at 6:00 pm. Please purchase your tickets after Mass in the back of the church or contact the parish office. Please purchase your tickets before November 26th as spaces are limited. Please see poster for more information.

Remembrance Wall

To recognize and honour those who have <u>recently</u> passed away or have been closely associated with the parish, the Parishioner Support Ministry is installing a Wall of Remembrance in the Parish Hall. A photo of each individual, along with a few words about their life, will be displayed in a frame provided by the parish. Frames will remain on the wall for one year. If you would like to add someone to the wall, please contact the Parish Office: MJ, via email at mj@joanofarc.ca, or at extension 1005.

St Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Collection:

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a non-profit charity whose volunteer members collect clothing, shoes and linen to donate, exchange for vouchers or sell in order to support our works of charity. SVDP is pleased to accept clothing, linens, draperies and house wares for use in the Society's programs and services, to help those in need. Donated goods are provided to our neighbours in need in communities across the GTA and to those whom we serve through our supportive housing and outreach programs. **Accepted donations**: Bedding, drapes and textiles, towels, new toys, boots and shoes clothing and coats – Any and all! See poster for more info.

10:00 am SUNDAY LITURGY

We continue to live stream the 10:00 am Mass on our website.

This Week

Thursday, November 16

12:30 pm Merrymakers Lunch

November 18/19

SVDP Bundle Up & Special Collection

November 19

The Shepherd's Trust Special Collection

Future Dates to Remember

November 25

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Meeting

November 25/26

D & P Fair Trade Sale

Sunday Missals

For sale at the parish office \$5

SAINTLY WISDOM

"Do you suppose that because we cannot hear God that God is silent? God speaks clearly to the heart when we beg God from our hearts to do so." - Saint Teresa of Avila





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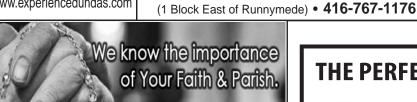
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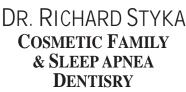
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