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**Served by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement**

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## *Let us be thankful ...*

*Let us be thankful for  
the blessings we receive.*

*Let us be thoughtful of others.*

*Let us remember dear and close friends.*

*Let us have faith in tomorrow.*

*Let us live life as a Golden Rule.*

*Let us find sunlight through the clouds.*

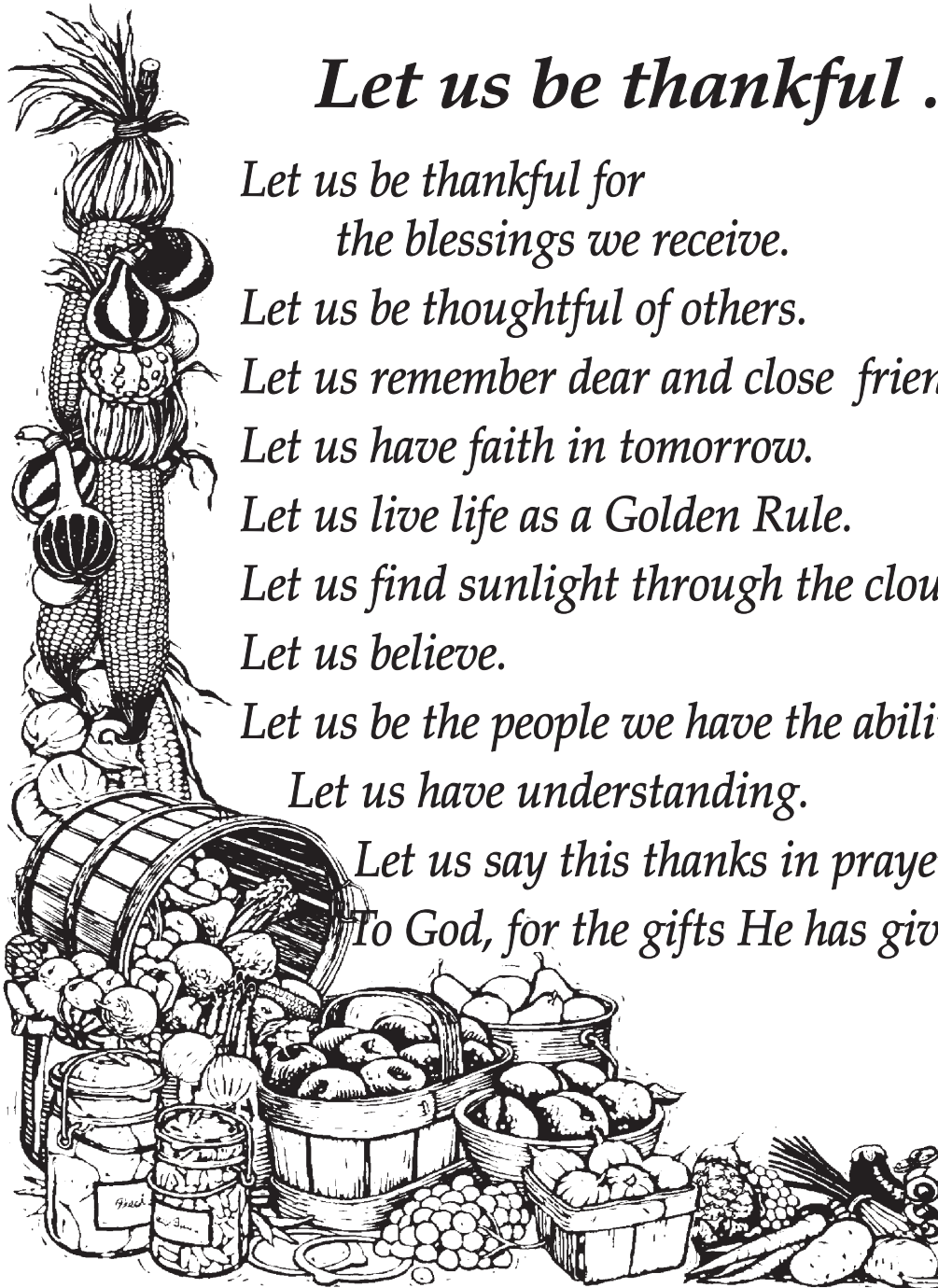
*Let us believe.*

*Let us be the people we have the ability to be.*

*Let us have understanding.*

*Let us say this thanks in prayer*

*To God, for the gifts He has given.*





## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Monday, October 11**

*Romans 1:1-7 Psalm 98:1-4*

*Luke 11:29-32*

No mass Thanksgiving Monday

### **Tuesday, October 12**

*Romans 1:16-25 Psalm 19:1-4*

*Luke 11:37-4*

5:30 pm Peace & Reconciliation  
for Our Indigenous People

### **Wednesday, October 13**

*Romans 2: 1-11 Psalm 62:1-*

*2,5,7-8 Luke 11: 42-46*

5:30 pm Patricia Douglas +

### **Thursday, October 14**

*Romans 3:21-30 Psalm 130: 1-6*

*Luke 11:47-54*

5:30 pm Deceased Friars

### **Friday, October 15**

*Romans 4:1-8 Psalm 32:1-2,*

*5,7,11 Luke 12:1-7*

5:30 pm In Thanksgiving

### **Saturday, October 16**

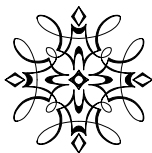
*Romans 4:13, 16-18 Psalm 105:5-10, 42-44 Luke 12:8-12*

5:30 pm The Parish Community

### **Sunday, October 17**

*Isaiah 53:10-11 Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20,22 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45*

10:00 am Bill Doyle +



## *The Friar's Nook*

Things are really getting back to full swing here at Saint John of Arc. Last Saturday I had a funeral, a wedding, a baptism, some confessions, Mass and a first communion. I jokingly asked the people at the 5:30 Mass to please not call for anointing of the sick tonight as I've done enough sacraments in one day. For those of you who watch online, you'll know that there was no sound on Sunday's Mass. The software that I use updated right before Mass and I believe that was the culprit because I tried it a few days later and it updated again presumably fixing its last update! I tried it this week and could hear fine so hopefully it will be back to normal again.

I'm still getting questions as to when we might be bringing back additional Masses. The answer is always the same, as soon as, we have people willing to serve at those Masses. As it is, we need additional people to usher at the 5:30 on Saturday and the 10:00 o'clock on Sunday as those numbers have diminished and people are doing double and triple duty: ushering, sometimes reading, and sometimes being eucharistic ministers. We certainly have enough members of the congregation coming to Mass that we shouldn't need to double up like this, so I asked those of you who are attending to please consider signing up to help-out. It is your parish... I only work here. If we can't even take care of our own here in the parish, how are we expected to follow our Christian call in the world to bring the Good News to others!

Last week I mentioned the upcoming priests retreat with Cardinal Collins. I submitted proof of my vaccination but apparently there weren't enough priests vaccinated to warrant having the retreat, so we won't be meeting together this month, except online. I must admit I'm a little disappointed as I enjoy these retreats and will miss hearing from the Cardinal and meeting with other priests in the diocese.

This week I have to fly to Graymoor, for General Council meetings. I had to turn down several invitations to celebrate Thanksgiving here as they didn't consider Canadian Thanksgiving when they scheduled our meetings. I'll be flying on Porter Airlines, so maybe they'll offer a turkey dinner on the way. I can hope anyway!

As the last remaining Friar in Toronto, for now, I have to take care of the Friar's residence over on Laxton Ave. I went over to see the place and found the ceiling collapsed in one of the bedrooms on the top floor. Not what I was hoping for. Now, I have to get the roof checked for leaks and fixed and then the ceiling in the bedroom replaced. It's not like I've got nothing to do here at the parish but hopefully caring for the house will be short term. Here at the parish, we are in need of a new phone system. Last time I was at Graymoor, it went out for a couple of days. It's now partially up and running,

but I found out that it's about 25 years old. That's pretty old for technology. I'm trying to get some bids on replacing the system but so far have had no luck. If you work for a phone system company let me know! I was also told that we probably should update the computer I use to live stream the masses with. It's only about five years old but I guess that's old for computers. But we'll deal with one thing at a time the computer is still working, but the phone system is being held together with chewing gum and baling wire so first things first.

*Please keep me in your prayers, as you are in mine*  
**Fr. Bob**

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**Please Pray for:**

**The Sick:** Mary de Lac,

**The Deceased:** Leo O'Keefe and Fr. Con Cronin

**Living the Gospel by supporting frontline workers**

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**Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Was "a day of penance and a day of hope," Cardinal Thomas Collins said in a prayer service at St. Michael's Cathedral in Toronto. The prayer service was streamed Sept. 30 on the Archdiocese of Toronto's YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/c/archtoronto](http://www.youtube.com/c/archtoronto)), where it is archived and available for viewing.

"As this is a day of repentance, it also is a day of hope," Collins told a small group gathered in prayer at the Cathedral. "For honest repentance of the since of the past leads to new life." The service began with smudging and prayers to the four cardinal directions by Toronto Indigenous Elder John Robinson of the Native People's Parish. From their experience of the sacrament of Confession, Catholics should know that truth is the first step in any journey of repentance, said Collins. "We need to look to the past, to acknowledge the truth, even if it is painful, as we do when we go to confession in our personal lives," he said. Toronto's archbishop particularly highlighted the way the residential school system tore apart families. (Taken from the Catholic Register). Letter of apology can be seen on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.

**Sunday 10 am Mass**

You can still find our Live Streaming mass on our St. Joan of Arc Facebook page.

**Monday, October 11**

Offices will be closed

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

The Office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (Mornings only). Arturo Gonzalez can be reached at ext. 222. As things are now starting to open up, he is planning the classes for the 2021-2022 coming year. Please register your children for sacramental preparation, as soon as possible so, we can order enough books.

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