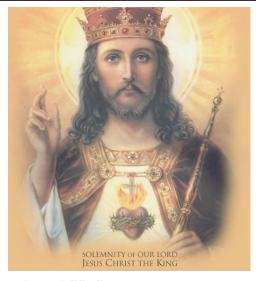
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

El Sembrador Spanish Mass 4th Saturday: 7:00pm 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:30am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

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HOLY COMMUNION for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us.

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NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you join our parish family; we invite you to register by completing the form in the parish foyer or at the parish office. Offering envelopes available by request.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, November 21, 7:00PM

+Afonso Lameirinhas +Joao Ferreira +All Deceased Margarido & Marques Family Members +Erika Meier +Manuel Da Silva +All Deceased Marques & Dinis Family Members *Special Intention for Barbara Cemas

TUESDAY, November 22, 9:00AM

+Ida & Luigi Moro

WEDNESDAY, November 23, 7:00PM

*Special Intention for Aiden Michael Chung

THURSDAY, November 24, 9:00AM

+Jose Conceicao & Virgilio Conceicao

FRIDAY, November 25, 7:00PM

+All Deceased Marques & Oliveira Family Members

SATURDAY, November 26, 9:00AM

+Joao Domingues

SATURDAY, November 26, 5:00PM

+Marjorie & St. Claire McEvenue +David Medeiros & Silvana Medeiros +Manuel Borges & Jose Cordeiro +Manuel Pinho & Celeste Pinho +Perpetua Barroso & Manuel Barroso +Nello & Clara Del Bel Belluz +Stacie Gibson Power +Antonio Julio Diogo & Samantha Diogo +Stella Fortini +Lucia Margarido Direito +Romanko Sakac

+Manuel Da Silva *Special Intention for Zulmira Vigario

SUNDAY, November 27, 8:00AM

+Jose Conceicao & Virgilio Conceicao

SUNDAY, November 27, 10:00AM

+ProPopulo

SUNDAY, November 27, 12:00PM

+Maria Do Ceu & Son

SUNDAY, November 27, 6:30PM

+Gilda Presta



- We have returned to 100% Capacity
- Masks are voluntary but highly recommended
- No registration required to attend Mass

MONTHLY REQUIEM MASS AT HOLY MARTYRS OF JAPAN CEMETERY – December 2, 2022

Please join us in a Mass celebration at Holy Martyrs of Japan Cemetery for the faithful departed, the first Friday of every month at 11:00am weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be held at the Church. Mass intentions can be booked through the parish office.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Will be held on December 2nd, 2022, at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass

It is there in His Eucharist that He says to me: "I thirst, thirst for your love, your sacrifices, your sufferings. I thirst for your happiness, for it was to save you that I came into the world, that I suffered and died on the Cross, and in order to console and strengthen you I left you the Eucharist. So, you have there all My life, all My tenderness" (Mother Mary of Jesus, foundress of the Sisters of Marie Reparatrice

REFLECTION

Happy Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! This is the last Sunday of the Church year which means we focus on the final and glorious things to come! It also means that next Sunday is already the First Sunday of Advent.

When we say Jesus is a king, we mean a few things. First, He is our Shepherd. As our Shepherd He desires to lead us personally as a loving father would. He wants to enter our lives personally, intimately and carefully, never imposing Himself but always offering Himself as our guide. The difficulty with this is that it's very easy for us to reject this kind of kingship. As King, Jesus desires to lead every aspect of our lives and lead us in all things. He desires to become the absolute ruler and monarch of our souls. He wants us to come to Him for everything and to become dependent upon Him always. But He will not impose this sort of kingship upon us. We must accept it freely and without reservation. Jesus will only govern our lives if we freely surrender ourselves over. When that happens, though, His Kingdom begins to become established within us! And through us in the world.

Additionally, Jesus does wish for His Kingdom to begin to be established in our world. First and foremost, this takes place when we become His sheep and thus become His instruments to help convert the world. However, as King, He also calls us to establish His Kingship by seeing to it that His truth and law is respected within civil society. It's Christ's authority as King that gives us the authority and duty as Christians to do all we can to fight civil injustices and bring about a respect for every human person. All civil law ultimately gains its authority from Christ alone since He is the one and only Universal King.

But many do not recognize Him as King, so what about them? Should we "impose" God's law upon those who do not believe? The answer is both yes and no. First, there are some things we cannot impose. For example, we cannot force people to go to Mass each Sunday. This would hinder one's freedom to enter into this precious gift. We know Jesus requires it of us for the good of our souls, but it must still be embraced freely. However, there are some things that we must "impose" upon others. The protection of the unborn, poor and vulnerable must be "imposed." The freedom of conscience must be written into our laws. The freedom to practice our faith openly (religious liberty) within any institution must be "imposed" also. And there are many other things we could list here. What's important to point out is that, at the end of all time, Jesus will be returning to Earth in all His glory and He will then establish His permanent and unending Kingdom. At that time, all people will see God as He is. And His law will become one with "civil" law. Every knee will bend before the great King and all will know the truth. At that time, true justice will reign and every evil will be corrected. What a glorious day that will be!

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ADVENT Reconciliation **SCHEDULE**

epare your hearts for the coming of the Lord

Monday December 12: 5:30-7:00pm & 7:30-8:30pm **Wednesday December 14:** 5:30-7:00pm & 7:30-8:30pm **Friday December 16:** 5:30-7:00pm & 7:30-8:30pm **Saturday December 17:** 8:00-8:30am, 9:30-11am, 3:30-4:30pm

Monday December 19: 5:30-7:00pm & 7:30-8:30pm Wednesday December 21: 5:30-7:00pm & 7:30-8:30pm

"Create in me a clean heart, O God and pat a new and right spirit within me" Psalm 51:10

MASS INTENTION BOOKINGS FOR 2023

PLEASE NOTE THE 2023 BOOK OF MASS INTENTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR BOOKINGS

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL BOX

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. A memorial box will be made available to you. You are welcome to drop off the names of your loved ones in an offertory envelope marked "All Souls" which will be made available at the entrance of the church when you come to Mass.

2022 – 2023 MISSALS

Missals for the 2023 liturgical year will be made available for purchase in the foyer after all weekend Masses for \$5.00 each.

INTRODUCING A NEW MINISTRY



"AMONG FRIENDS"

"Among Friends" is a group of friends supporting positive changes to the wellbeing of widows (of all ages) through social interaction and activities once a month. The first meeting will be Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 2:00pm at the Church. We will meet for coffee and fellowship to share our stories and plan future activities and outings. Perhaps coffee chats, lunches etc. Your suggestions for activities are always welcome. If interested, please contact Cecilia Podger at 416 710 3155 or email: ceciliapodger@yahoo.ca

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR HELP!



Please think of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at Holy Martyrs of Japan. Every dollar donated goes to helping people in our community and the need is greater than ever before. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and donations are tax deductible.

FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS DRIVE

This advent season be sure to reflect and share with your family the things that you are each grateful for, both big and small, in jubilation and tribulation, for each one is a beautiful offering to God.

This particular moment in time has been challenging for everyone, some more than others. However, it has taught us how truly dependent we are on one another.

During this season of Advent, let us prepare our hearts in the anticipation of His coming by being the hands and feet of Christ alive in our community displaying acts of charity and love of neighbour. Help to spread the message of Christ's HOPE this season by donating non-perishable items (such as: Pasta sauce, Kraft Dinner, Cereal, Granola Bars, Crackers, Canned Fruit, Baked Beans, Juice Boxes/1lt Juices, Soup, Peanut Butter, Rice Flour, Sugar, Tea, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Diapers and Baby wipes are just a few suggestions) to our Food Bank. Please feel free to drop off your food items in the crate at the entrance of the Church when you come to Mass. Let us overwhelm our Food Bank with food and LOVE this season!

YOUTH MINISTRY



Edge is a fun, exciting and free Program that offers youth the

opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship with other youth and peer leaders. Come to the EDGE! Grades 6, 7 & 8 *Fridays * 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. New Friends, Fun Games, Deepen your Faith

Edge Theme: November 25 – Tobogganing

CLIFE TEEN

LIFE TEEN is an international Catholic ministry that serves the Church and leads all teens closer to Christ by providing resources that encourage vibrant Eucharistic celebrations and opportunities for teens to grow in their faith. Life Teen is for youth in Grades 9-12 and will be held on every other Friday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm are all welcome! No registration required. The next Life night is

December 2 – Seeing the Kingdom and focuses on Jesus' public ministry.

December 16 – Will be an Advent/Christmas Social



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