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Rev. Father Allyn Rose

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Deacons:

Rev. Mr. David Langley

Rev. Mr. Pedro Guevara-Mann



Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,
For fields of grain
Gold and ripe from summer's rain,
For hillsides bright
With scarlet trees
'That rustle in the autumn breeze,
For friends so dear,
For those we love,
For all things sent
from heaven above . . .
We thank thee,
Lord.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving this weekend, whichever day you celebrate it, even if you celebrate it twice!

As we all know the festival commemorates that survival of the American pilgrims after a harsh winter, in a new land they barely knew how to survive in. With aid from the Native Americans, they survived and had a successful harvest, ensuring their future in this land, and for that, with the fruit of their hands, and the land, with family and friends, they gave thanks. This feast, in many ways came from and replaced harvest festivals in our society.

So in one way, we can say that this is not a religious feast. It does not celebrate a direct moment of salvation by Christ, such as Easter does, or a saint or mystery of the faith. But who were they giving thanks to? Why God, of course. So in another sense it is a "religious feast".

Thanksgiving reminds us that God is present in every aspect of our life, the big or important moments and the everyday moments of our life, God is there providing directly at times, or through the kindness of others who, in cooperating with the good motivations in their heart, cooperate also with the good God who inspires them. Today we give thanks in particular for the earth God created and placed in our charge, and to the farmers who provide our food. But in a bigger sense this day calls us to look at all the good things we have, and before we tuck into that fabulous meal, give thanks to God out loud for it and continue to give thanks to Him for all we receive year round. It is a simple thing but one that can immediately and powerfully draw us to Him.

Today I want to thank all of you who are here worshipping the Lord and making our parish so welcoming, and who volunteer in many and various ways to build up the Kingdom of God in earth. Again, **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

OFFICE CLOSURE

As this is Thanksgiving weekend, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 13, 2014 and Mass will be celebrated at 9:30am. The office will reopen on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

REGISTRATION DATES for FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Registration for First Communion

Tuesday, October 14th at 7:00pm in the Church.

We will be having **two Registration dates for Confirmation**

Tuesday, October 21st at 7:30pm in the Church

Saturday, October 25th at 10:00am in the Church

If your child is in Grade 2 for First Communion and Grade 8 for Confirmation, be sure to attend these very important meetings.



All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evening in the Parish Hall.
Oct. 12 - Happy Thanksgiving	Oct. 13 - Happy Thanksgiving
Oct. 19 - Sunday Best	Oct. 20 - Game Night
Oct. 26 - Lights Out - Dodge Ball	Oct. 27 - General Admission Sacraments of Initiation

Get ready as it's OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, October 25th

Holy Martyrs Parish Hall

Doors open at 6:00pm

Schnitzel and Oktoberfest sausage

for dinner \$15.00 per person,

\$10.00 per child (12 & under) and

children under 5 years of age are free. Entertainment will be provided.

This event is presented by the Youth Ministry

Please come out and support our parish Youth.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE



There will be a Fall Northern Development Day on

Saturday, Oct 18, 2014 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Hwy. 27, North of Elmvale. Start time 9:00am - 2:30pm. Registration Fee: \$5.00. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Please pre-register with Imelda Santos, President 905 775-7819 or e-mail Imelda.santos@sympatico.ca

We hope to have as many CWL members as possible attend. It will be helpful for both long-time and new members.

The weekend of October 18th and 19th has been designated as WRAP (White Ribbon Against Pornography) weekend. The CWL will have ribbons in the gathering space for parishioners to sign against child pornography. The WRAP campaign allows us to express our opposition to the degrading and demeaning pornography that is so easily available.

RUN WITH IT SERIES

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Parish Hall

October 14 - Fr. Allyn

Angels and Saints

ADORATION

Please note that Benediction will be at 6:00pm on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 to accommodate First communion Registration.

Altar Server Awards

Three of our Altar Servers have received Altar Server awards. Congratulations to Alexandra Carreira, Andrea Oliveira and Maxine Braganza.



MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, October 11th

+ **Giuseppe Beninati** by Wife Francesca
 + **Miguel Gomes** by Gina, Jack & Danny Gomes
 + **Gioacchino Cristina & Pietro Asaro** by Wife & Family
 + **Antonio Martins** by Wife & Children
 + **Augusto Balugas** by Tony Silva & Family
 * **Sp. Int. Jose & Maria Fernandes** by Fernandes Family
 + **Francisco & Jose Francisco Rodrigues** by Wife & Mother Ester
 + **Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa** by Carolina Santana

Sunday, October 12th

8:30am + **Maria Santos Rosete** by Celso & Maria Domingues
10:00am Pro Populo
11:30am + **Virgilio Domingues & Manuel Oliveira** by Lurdes & Family
4:45pm Spanish Mass
6:30pm + **Jose Raposo** by Maria Raposo & Family

9:30am Monday, October 13th

+ **Antonio Janeiro** by Conceicao Family
 + **Rosa & Jose Barroso** by Children
 + **Bruno Gregato** by Maria Gregato
 + **John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira
 + **Gavino Fronda, Jr.** by Family
 + **Albino Barbosa & Benedito da Silva** by Lucia & Orlando Araujo
 + **Julio Barroso** by Silva Family
 + **Alzira Neto** by Eugenia Dinis

8:30am Tuesday, October 14th

+ **Linette Abilo** by Rhea, Rui & Family

7:00pm Wednesday, October 15th

+ **Maria & Vincenzo Di Ruscio** by Antonio & Family

8:30am Thursday October 16th

+ **Jose De Sousa** by Wife Alfredina de Sousa & Family

7:00pm Friday, October 17th

+ **Antonio Alberto Rocha** by Jose & Maria

9:30am Saturday October 18th

+ **All Souls** by David & Rose Oliveira

5:00pm Saturday, October 18th

+ **Victor Latoszek** by Wife & Children
 + **Maria & Eugenio Arruda** by Lucy, John & Lui
 + **James Vonk** by Vonk Family
 + **Teresa Silva & Jose Augusto Balugas** by Silva & Dias Families
 + **Olimpia Sousa & Vitorino Nazario** by Carolina Santana
 + **Carmel & Jerry Colford** by Son Joe
 + **Salvatore Cipponeri** by Wife
 + **Cecile Santos** by Family

Sunday, October 19th

8:30am + **Maria Emilia de Jesus & Beatriz Diogo** by Portuguese Choir

10:00am + **Irene Rozbiewski** by Vilma LaRoche & Family

11:30am + **Cecile Santos** by Vilma LaRoche & Family

4:45pm Spanish Mass

6:30pm Pro Populo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

ARCHDIOCESAN SURVEY

The beginning of September, the Archdiocese asked all Parishes to conduct a Parish Attendance Survey. It is beneficial for the diocese, as well as our Parish, to have the number of parishioners in our parish as well as the numbers for the whole diocese. We have been asked to conduct the survey October 18-19 and October 25-26. In order to do this I have asked the Knights of Columbus to help. During the time of the offertory collection, along with the normal collectors, some of the Knights will be present and counting us in our pews. We understand that this could be disruptive, but we thank you for your patience.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be distributing lapel roses after all Masses on the Thanksgiving weekend, October 11/12. All donations will be given to the Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers in Newmarket.



Please join us for the Living Rosary on Sunday, October 19th at 7:30 pm. in the church. Light refreshments will be provided by the Knights of Columbus after the rosary in the Parish Hall.

TONY MELENDEZ FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Tony Melendez is a singer/songwriter who was born without arms. He plays guitar with his feet. St. Pope John Paul II commissioned him to take his message of hope around the world. He will be in Toronto for a special concert:

Friday, October 24th at 8pm St. Michael's College School Centre for the Arts, 1515 Bathurst Street

For details and tickets: www.TonyMelendezToronto.com

All proceeds of the concert will go to support the El Sembrador ministry for Mexican migrant workers in our parish. Come and let your faith be nourished and be inspired by Tony's message of hope.

HEALING, RESTORATION & HOPE FOR THE FAMILY

A THREE-DAY REREAT

October 24 to 26

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Separate youth retreat "RESTORE" on Saturday.

For more information and registration, contact Gethsemane Ministries at 647 560-4556, gethsemaneministries@yahoo.ca or visit

www.prayergroup.ca

"COME AND SEE"

"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartedly. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call.

October 31st to November 2nd 2013

St. Augustine's Seminary

This will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years and older to spend a weekend with time for time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood.

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? Ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If God is calling you, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto** 416 968-0997

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