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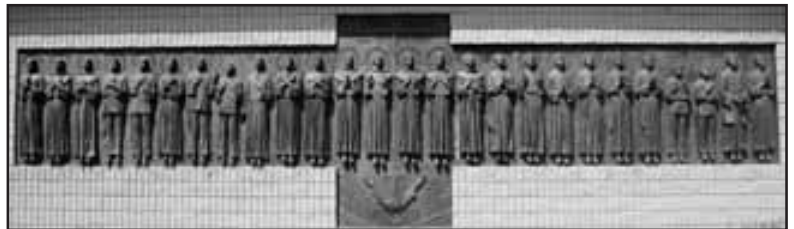
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**St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!**

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am  
Life Teen Mass—6:30pm  
Seasonal Spanish Mass—5:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm  
Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:00am  
Saturdays: 9:15am

## CONFESSIONS

1/2 hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact us one month or more in advance.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact us one year in advance for adequate preparation.

## 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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## PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Bereavement Support Group	CWL (Catholic Women's League)
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Life Teen	Knights of Columbus
EDGE Youth Ministry	Seniors Club
Liturgical Ministers	Social Club
New Beginnings	St. Vincent de Paul Society
Parish Library	
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis	

## CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo  
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## NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish Office or in the gathering space at the back of the Church. Offering Envelopes are available.

## The Power of Prayer

The texts of today's liturgy focus our attention on the power of trusting and persevering prayer to reach the mind of God. In the Gospel passage, St. Luke prefaces the parable with an explanation of Christ's intent: *Jesus told His disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart.* <sup>Luke 18:1-18</sup> The parable in today's Gospel presents us with a marked contrast of personalities. The unjust judge, *who had neither fear of God nor respect for others and the widow*, the ancient symbol for the defenceless person. More specifically, the tireless perseverance of the widow is juxtaposed to the firm resistance of the unjust judge. The unexpected conclusion to the parable is the result of the ceaseless petitions of the poor widow. After many refusals to hear her case, the judge finally relents. And so, the weaker party has triumphed. The reason for her victory lies not in any conversion on the judge's part but the consent and untiring action of the widow.

Unlike the widow, the Church until the end of time will offer up constant supplication to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit. The Church prays for all the needs of her sons and daughters. This is the primary responsibility of the Church, the first duty of her priests. This is the most important act that we, the faithful, can accomplish since we too are often in need like the widow of the parable.

At the conclusion of the parable, Jesus adds: *But when the Son of Man comes, will He find any faith on earth?* Will the Lord find faith as unswerving as that of the widow? This is the faith of the children of God who believe in the goodness and power of their Father in Heaven. Many have come to shut God out of their lives. They may not feel any need for God. They may seek reasons and solutions for those problems in life to which only the Lord can provide satisfactory answers. Such as these will never find the good things, the truths, which are indispensable. As the Virgin Mary announced in the *Magnificat*: *He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.* <sup>Luke 1:53</sup> And so, we pray for them as well that they too may come to embrace God's goodness and grace in their lives.

In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez

## Please note:

- Cemetery Mass on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 2:00pm at the cemetery. Please come and pray for our departed brothers and sisters.
- November 1<sup>st</sup> – Mass at 7:00pm for the Solemnity of All Saints
- November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mass at 8:00am and at 7:00pm for the Commemoration of All Souls

## Quote For the Week

My confidence is placed in God who does not need our help for accomplishing His designs. Our single endeavour should be to give ourselves to the work and be faithful to Him.

Letter from St. Isaac Jogues to a Jesuit friend on Sept 12, 1646  
(Oct 19<sup>th</sup>)

## Weekly Collection

Offertory Donation was \$6,053.55

Our Weekly Goal is \$6,000.00

Thank you so much for your generosity!

### CWL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tickets and money for the CWL Raffle are due to Tina (905-775-4386) and Stefanie (905-775-6857) ASAP. Drawing will take place at the Bazaar on Sat., Nov 6<sup>th</sup>
- The White Ribbon Against Pornography Campaign is from October 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>

**WORLD YOUTH DAY – the travel agency Tour Design is coming on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Large Meeting Room to discuss next year's trip to the Holy Land and Madrid. All who have registered for this trip and anyone else who is interested, are to attend this very important information meeting.**

### THE POPE'S PUB NIGHT

Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:30pm at the Dub Linn Gate Irish Pub – 50 Interchange Way, Vaughan, (Jane St & Hwy 7... beside the AMC30 theatre). Topic "THE ABORTION DECEPTION" presented by Alissa Golob (Youth Co-ordinator for Campaign Life Coalition). To **RSVP** – visit us on Facebook under "Pope's Pub Night" or contact Sam at [sammycorrado999@hotmail.com](mailto:sammycorrado999@hotmail.com) or Kamal at [kamal.elrassi@gmail.com](mailto:kamal.elrassi@gmail.com)

*Sorry, the Pope will not be attending!*

**On October 24<sup>th</sup> there will be a Coffee Sunday, after all Sunday morning Masses.** Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate available. Come and spend some time with fellow parishioners. Please contact Tom Kremer (905) 775-8875 in advance to volunteer or donate baked goods.

**Holy Martyrs Parish will be having a Pauline Book & Media Fair brought to us by the daughters of St. Paul before and after Masses on the weekend of November 13 & 14. Everyone is invited to browse & purchase from an excellent selection of Catholic books, music CDs & DVDs movies. This will be a great opportunity to get something inspirational to read, watch, or listen to for the Advent/Christmas and Winter Season. You can familiarize yourself with the life and mission of the Daughters of St. Paul by going to [www.pauline.org](http://www.pauline.org)**

### To the Parishioners of Holy Martyrs

We have been truly humbled and blessed by the ongoing support for us and for Brian from our parish community. There have been many tear-filled moments of gratitude. If the entire world could share the same spirit of love, support and prayer which we have been surrounded by, we would all be able to live in peace as Jesus asked us to. This has been both the most difficult, yet most sacred time of our lives. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

*Jim, Carol, Shannon, Jennine and Lauren Collier*

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

### 5:00pm Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

+ **Maria Pugliese** by Husband & Children  
 + **Jose De Sousa** by Wife & Family  
 + **Rosa Vernola** by Vernola Family  
 + **Brunati Livia** by Giovanna Brunati & Family  
 + **Anna Hawrylak** by Hanna Balta & Beata Arent  
 + **Cecile Santos & Miguel Dizon** by Imelda Santos & Family  
 + **Tony Mertens** by Mother – Louisa Mertens  
 + **Maria Meireles** by Fernanda Nazario & Family

### Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + **Robert Karola & Edgar Moeller** by Daughter  
 10:00am + **Joseph Srebot** by Cveta Polencic  
 11:30am + **Joao Laranjeiro** by Wife & Children  
 5:00pm Spanish Mass  
 6:30pm Pro Populo

### 7:00pm Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

+ **Jose Barroso** by Children  
 + **John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira  
 + **Brian Collier** by Parents & Family  
 + **Laurentina & Manuel Neto** by Joaquim Neto

### 8:00am Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

+ **Cecile Santos** by Vilma LaRoche & Family

### 7:00pm Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

+ **Irene Rozbiewski** by Vilma LaRoche & Family

### 8:00am Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

+ All Souls

### 7:00pm Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

+ **Nancy Bova** by Alfred Bova & Children – Dian, Phil, Patty & Mandy

### 9:15am Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

+ All Souls

### 5:00pm Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

+ **Antonio Ferreira** by Paulina Ferreira  
 + **Jose, Maria & Luis Ferreira** by Fernandes Family  
 + **Luigi, Michele & Gilda** by Troiano Family  
 + **Angela Mariano Bocchichio** by Ruololfo & Family  
 + **Zulmira Conceicao** by Clara Martins & Dulce Lancha  
 + **Manuel & Jorge Balugas** by Idalina & Carlos Correia

### Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + **Manuel Dias** by Wife & Children  
 10:00am + **Jim Vonk** by Vonk Family  
 11:30am + **Manuel Augusto & Lurdes Dinis** by Dinis Family  
 5:00pm Spanish Mass  
 6:30pm Pro Populo

“May God Grant Them Eternal Peace”

Help break the chains of violence and abuse....Please join us for  
 a **Mass to Support Women**

### Experiencing Violence & Abuse

Celebrant: His Grace, Archbishop Thomas Collins  
 Wednesday, Nov 3, at 5:00pm at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power  
 Street, Toronto. Reception to follow – if attending reception,  
 please RSVP 416-921-1163 X2245 or [info@cfsfto.org](mailto:info@cfsfto.org)

**Women's Fall Retreat – Nov 5-7 Weekend at Queen of  
 Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga.**

The Centre team will preach on the theme “The Genesis Story  
 and Our Story”. Why not consider a vacation with the Lord  
 and perhaps bring a friend? For further information or to  
 register, please call 905-278-5229.

## Sunday to Sunday .....

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

Sun Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – CWL – White Ribbon Campaign starts  
 Sun Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – Knights of Columbus – Communion Breakfast  
 Mon Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – RCIA  
 Mon Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting  
 Tue Oct 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – RCIA  
 Wed Oct 20<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm – Al-Anon  
 Sat Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:00pm – Oktoberfest – Life Teen – Parish Hall  
 Sun Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Coffee Sunday after each Mass  
 Sun Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – CWL – White Ribbon Campaign ends  
 Sun Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – 7:30pm – Knights of Columbus – Living Rosary



October 17<sup>th</sup> - **NAILED: A loving God vs.  
 the reality of suffering**

October 24<sup>th</sup> – Gals night in! Guys night out!



October 18<sup>th</sup> – JESUS – Life on Earth

October 25<sup>th</sup> – One Holy Catholic Apostolic Church

## OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

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

provided by the Youth Ministry Worship Band



### REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP MEETING

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish is holding a meeting on **Wednesday,  
 October 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm** to discuss the possibility of setting up a  
 refugee sponsorship committee in response to Archbishop Thomas  
 Collins challenge to parishes to sponsor one refugee family,  
 particularly those families from Christian and minority  
 backgrounds from Iraq. There will be representatives from the  
 Archdiocese of Toronto Office for Refugees and from the existing  
 refugee sponsorship committees of Our Lady of Grace Parish in  
 Aurora and St. John's Parish in Newmarket. Interested  
 parishioners from Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish are also invited to  
 attend this meeting.

### EXCITING NEW RETREAT WEEKEND A.C.T.S.

(Addoration, Community, Theology, Service)

at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga.

WOMEN'S ACTS: October 21-24

MEN'S ACTS: October 28-31

This retreat is a powerful experiential retreat for personal renewal.  
 For further information, please call 905-278-5229.

### PILGRIMAGE TO MONTREAL – October 30 – 31<sup>st</sup>

We want to organize a pilgrimage to Montreal for October 30<sup>th</sup>  
 celebrations following the canonization of the first Canadian born male  
 saint – Brother Andre. We hope to leave early on Saturday morning,  
 October 30<sup>th</sup> and come back in the evening the following day – Sunday,  
 October 31<sup>st</sup>. During our stay in Montreal we hope to see St. Joseph's  
 Oratory, Notre Dame and Our Lady Queen of the World Basilicas, the  
 old part of Montreal and other things. The whole cost of the trip should  
 be approximately about \$200.00. If interested, call Fr. Tad Walczyk at  
 St. Paul's Parish in Alliston at (705) 435-6325 ext 22.



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