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Catholic Women's League - every 1st Sat. @ 2:00 p.m.

cwl.olof@gmail.com

Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.

Auxiliary Circle - every 2nd Sun. @ 1:30 p.m.

The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

Missionaries Family of Christ - every 3rd Sat. @ 6:00 pm

Ed & Beth Zapanta, Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com

BAPTISMS:

Application Form from the Parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Contact the Parish Office in September.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one full year in advance**. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. **A Marriage Preparation Course is required.**

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

FUNERALS: Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: NO MASS, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Adoration, Devotions & Mass 6:00 pm

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday (1 Mass) Devotions & Mass 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

All First Friday at 5:30 pm, All Wednesday at 5:30-6:50 p.m. and All Saturday at 3:30-4:20 p.m. for emergency please call the office.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm

The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 12

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. +Nelia Dela Fuente

12:15 p.m. +All Souls in Purgatory

Monday, November 13

No Mass

Tuesday, November 14

8:00 a.m. +Elena Cruz

Wednesday, November 15

7:00 p.m. +All Souls Listed on Remembrance Bk.

Thursday, November 16

8:00 a.m. +Raiza Quinto

Friday, November 17

8:00 a.m. +Marie Ringuette

Saturday, November 18

9:00 a.m. +Basil Benedict

4:30 p.m. +All Souls Listed on Remembrance Bk.

32nd Sunday in OT - November 12, 2023



"Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact

Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Alan Glass at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.

Next Week Readings

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entering into our Master's Joy

1st Reading: Proverbs

31.10-13,16-18,20,26,28-31++

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6

Gospel: Matthew: 25.14-30

The Parable of the Talents

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The pillar and bulwark of the truth.

When a dispute arises about the true meaning of Scripture, then we appeal to the constant agreement of the Catholic Church and go back to the unanimous interpretation of the Fathers. This is not in order that the Church may teach us without reference to the Scriptures, but so that the Church may show us the true and orthodox sense of Scripture. — St. Peter Canisius (address to Diet of Worms, 1577)

Before the era of podcasts I used to listen to the radio while driving, and occasionally I would tune in to a 'Christian' radio station. It was interesting to listen to a range of Protestant, mostly Evangelical, preachers. For the most part, the message was what C. S. Lewis called 'mere Christianity,' the basic truths that are shared by all who call themselves Christian, as summarized in the Nicene Creed: "I believe in God, the Father Almighty ..."

One preacher lamented the disunity of Christians and the proliferation of denominations. He likened it to the Roman soldiers bickering over Christ's garments at the foot of the cross, while ignoring Christ himself. Here we are, he said, bickering over points of theology, instead of being united in our worship of God. Listening to this, I thought, "Oh! If theology is unimportant, does that mean that you will now become Catholic?" Of course not! But *why* not?

It is tempting to say "leave theology to the theologians." However, differences among Christians are not superficial but rather go to the heart of the Christian faith. For example, is the Eucharist the 'source and summit of the Christian life', or is it, as Martin Luther said, "a blasphemy against God and an abomination"?

According to Luther's theology, Christ's sacrifice on the cross was fully sufficient and nothing could be added to it: "If it had been necessary to offer the Mass as a sacrifice, then Christ's institution of it was not complete." He admits, however, that his theology is contrary to "the sayings of the holy fathers and the widespread practice uniformly observed throughout the world."

One of the things that I admire about Evangelicals is their love and knowledge of Scripture. This follows from their basic tenet of 'sola scriptura' — the Bible *alone*. But as St. Francis de Sales pointed out: "What is the use, then, of so many preachers? A mere child reading from the Bible will do just as well." In fact, there is always going to be some interpretation or 'unpacking' of Scripture. Should we follow the interpretation of Luther or Calvin? Of Knox or Wesley? Or should we come up with our own?

St. Paul the Apostle calls the Church 'the pillar and bulwark of the truth.' We can follow Luther or Calvin, or try to figure it out for ourselves, or we can trust the unanimous witness of the Church throughout the ages.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The *Children's Liturgy* meetings & *First Holy Communion* classes will continue this **Sunday, Nov. 12, 19 & 26** during the **10:30 am Mass** in the church hall. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate.



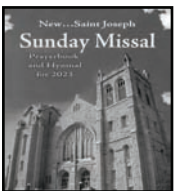
Registration for **CONFIRMATION** is *on-going* or *if you need an application they are available during office hours only. Thank you*

R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2023 – Apr. 2024



Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to deepen your faith? Perhaps you want to refresh your catholic doctrine?

Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith. If you or anyone you know is interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us at (416) 757-2806.



Sunday Missal 2023-2024

Liturgical Year B will start on **December 02, 2023**. The new Sunday Missals are available soon at the back of the church or during office hours for sale at \$5.00 each.

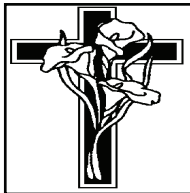
† Other Masses offered for loved ones listed in the *Book of Remembrance* will be celebrated on the following dates:

Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 18 at 4:30 pm

Sunday, Nov. 19 at 9:00

amWednesday, Nov. 29 at 7:00 pm



† May the souls of all departed rest in peace. Amen.

The Shepherd Trust Collection

next weekend November 18/19



There will be a second collection today, for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

Friars Student Writing Contest 2024 (November 08, 2023, to January 15, 2024)



Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27). High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster @ <http://surl.li/mlfkfw> and submit their entries at, <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>. Contact: ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – your assistance is requested!

Our archbishop, the **Most Rev. Francis Leo**, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a **brief survey by December 15, 2023**, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment. More information regarding this will be inserted on this week bulletin.



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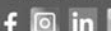
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