

# The Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Toronto



## Parish Life

**"All who believed were together and had all things in common."**

*Acts 2.44*

Our parishes are spiritual homes where we meet one another to encounter Christ. Our plan calls on us to make our 225 parishes places of genuine welcome and hospitality, for those who come each week and for visitors.

## Vocations

**"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed him.** *Matthew 4.19-20*

God is asking all of us to "cast our nets" and to discover where He is leading us. We need Priests to lead the parishes of the archdiocese, Deacons to assist them, and qualified lay people to support our ministries and flourishing religious communities. Every Catholic can be a vocations advocate, through prayer, encouragement and invitation.



## Evangelization of Society

**"Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to all creation."** *Mark 16:15*

The "New Evangelization" is appreciating the joy that faith in Christ brings, and sharing it with others. We utilize current means to participate in the dialogue through social media and other tools that will provide instruments of evangelization.



## Justice & Love

**"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"** *Micah 6:8*

Our pastoral plan challenges us to serve in diverse ways and to be advocates where injustice occurs. We can do all of this by working with our parishes, lay movements, Catholic schools and chaplaincies.



## Cathedral: Sign of our Mission

**"In him you are being built into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit."**

*Ephesians 2:20-22*



As the prototype of parish life, the Cathedral will lead the way in pastoral care and public witness. We have plans to develop the area near the Cathedral into a place of gathering, space for outreach to the poor, a center to gather and teach.

## The Family of Faith campaign

The Archdiocese of Toronto's *Pastoral Plan* and the *Family of Faith* campaign are intimately connected.

The Pastoral Plan, inaugurated in February 2013, was the product of a number of years of consultation and planning. Rooted in prayer, the plan's mission is twofold:

The Archdiocese's *inward* pastoral mission is to nurture and strengthen the faith experience of committed Catholics.

The apostolic (*outward*) mission is to announce the Gospel, both to the faithful and to those outside the Church.

Much of the Pastoral Plan is being accomplished using existing resources; some projects require new funds. The *Family of Faith* campaign, rooted in the Pastoral Plan, is helping to raise the necessary funds to implement many of the goals found in the Pastoral Plan.

For the benefit of newcomers to our parish, or to the diocese, who were not involved in the original launch of the Family of Faith campaign, there are numerous ways to catch up by joining the effort and making a sacrificial gift:

### Outright Gifts

Outright contributions of cash or cheques are the most direct way to support the campaign.

### Pledges

Pledges to the campaign can be paid over a period of three to five years. Most donors make their pledge via *credit card*, *debit* or *post-dated cheques*.

## Standard Website

One initiative launched by the Pastoral Plan is the standard PARISH WEBSITE template. Visitors searching the internet will find a common format for all the parish sites of the diocese, making it simple to find information on Mass times, directions and special parish events. The template also lets the diocese add fresh blogs and news items regularly.

## University Chaplaincies

In addition to the established chaplaincies at U of T, York and Ryerson, the PASTORAL PLAN has launched the new chaplaincy at the *University of Toronto, Scarborough Campus*, providing students in our community with spiritual guidance, fellowship and connection to local parishes. In the present condition of the world, when young people are threatened by many dangers, it is very fitting to unite literary instruction with sound teaching in faith and morals.



## Parish Week / Sunday, 29 July 2018

### Saturday, 28 July

- 8.00 am Mass: † Rolando Diaz (Andrez)  
 1.00 pm St. Ann's Feast Day Mass  
 5.00 pm Mass: † Lakpatia Ramsahai (Shirley & Lalta Persaud)

### SUNDAY, 29 JULY / 17-B

■ *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*

■ *2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Maintenance*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Solidad Manalang (Dolores Marquez)  
 10.30 am Mass: † Lydia & Ernesto Rodas (family)  
 12.00 pm Mass: † Vincent & Joseph Ocasion (family)  
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday, 30 July / St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Rosario Diaz (Andres)  
 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Camilla Maulion (Corine)

### Tuesday, 31 July / St. Ignatius Loyala, priest

- 8.00 am Mass: † Maxilinda Dres, Alcantara-Juego  
 (Tita Villeneuve)

### Wednesday, 1 Aug. / St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Billy & Ludy Ombac (family)

### Thursday, 2 Aug. / St. Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Danley Johnson (family)

### Friday, 3 Aug.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Moises Sardua (Josefa & Chita)  
 6.00 pm Holy Hour  
 7.00 pm Mass: † Aloysius Bastiampillai (family)

### Saturday, 4 Aug. / St. John Vianney, priest

- 8.00 am Mass: † Juanita Limbujo (Corine Maulion)  
 5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas (Thanesh)

### SUNDAY, 5 AUG. / 18-B

■ *Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo*

■ *Fr. Elias Chachati, birthday (1955)*

■ *Knights of Columbus Barbecue*

- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Ft. Elias Birthday (friend)  
 10.30 am Mass: † Rogelio & Reynaldo Ruiz  
 12.00 pm Mass: † Juanito Tabios (Theresa Baylon)  
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

3 August ***The path to Holiness: Growing in Faith***  
 (Mass at 7 pm, Meeting at 7.30 pm)

Thinking of becoming Catholic? Leave a message for the Pastor at: 416-261-0076, and come to the next meeting for Inquirers.

## Focus on the Word

### 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

2 Kings 4.42-44; Ephesians 4.1-6; John 6.1-15

*O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us, and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. Amen.*

## ShareLife

### THANK YOU VERY MUCH !

Thanks to all for your support of our parish 2018 *ShareLife* Appeal. As of 22 July, we have reached a total of \$38,193 for this year's Campaign ! This is a real blessing, a tribute to the generosity of every donor, at a time of great need.

If you have not yet had a chance to participate in our parish Appeal, there is still time to help us reach our goal!

Our Parish goal for 2018 is: \$50,000.00.

There are still late donations coming in; this year's Campaign officially closes at the end of July. We will publish the Grand Total for our 2018 Campaign in the first bulletin in August.



## Knights of Columbus Barbecue, 5 August

The Knights of Columbus are holding a Parish Barbecue after all Sunday Morning Masses on 5 August.

## Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Visit the Historical Centre of Mexico

15 – 21 November 2018

Under the spiritual direction of **Fr. Edwin Galea**.

Enrich your faith with memories that will remain in your heart.

See the PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE on page 3 in the bulletin on our website.

\$2,199.00 Canadian per person; includes all taxes and tips.

For more info, contact: **Michael Kwadrans**, 647-887-4069.



## COMING UP

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6 Aug.

Feast of the **Transfiguration of Our Lord**:  
 - Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)

12 Aug.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: *Catholic Missions in Canada*;  
 - Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)

15 Aug.

Feast of the **Assumption of Mary**

18 Aug.

Wedding: Arrieta – Entea (3:00 pm)

19 Aug.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: *Mission Co-Op* (Comboni Missionaries);  
 - Knights of Columbus (1:00 pm)

## Website [stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org](http://stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org)

See the *Prayer for Victims of Violence*, and the *Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe*: page 3 in the website bulletin.





## Save Summer Jobs

*Save Summer Jobs, and reach out to your Member of Parliament.*

Thousands of charitable organizations are being denied funding through Canada Summer Jobs program, because the federal government has introduced an ideological litmus test. To qualify for funding, organizations must agree with the Liberal Government on issues such as abortion and gender expression. This has impacted more than 150 jobs and more than \$1 million in funding in the Archdiocese of Toronto alone. Across Canada 1,500 groups had their applications rejected this year, in contrast to 126 in 2017.

**Cardinal Collins** invites you to write to your federal Member of Parliament to respectfully express your concerns.

Visit [www.savesummerjobs.ca](http://www.savesummerjobs.ca) to send a message to your MP, a process that will take less than 3 minutes. You can also donate at the same site to support those organizations impacted by the new application guidelines.

## ☺ Your sabbath smile

### Parting Words

A Protestant pastor was leaving his area and was saying farewell to the congregation at his Church doors for the last time. He shook the hand of an elderly lady as she walked out.

She said “Your successor won’t be as good as you.”

“Nonsense,” said the pastor, in a flattered tone.

“No, really,” said the old lady, “I’ve been here under five different ministers and each new one has been worse than the last.”

### Strategic Insanity

Two factory workers were talking.

Tom said, “I know how to get some time off from work.”

Harry said, “How do you think you will do that?”

Tom proceeded to climb up to the rafters, and hang upside down.

The boss walked in, saw Tom hanging from the ceiling, and asked him what on earth he was doing?

“I’m a light bulb” answered Tom.

“I think you need some time off,” said the boss.

So, the man jumped down and walked out of the factory.

Harry began walking out too.

The boss asked him where did he think he was going?

“Home. I can’t work in the dark.”

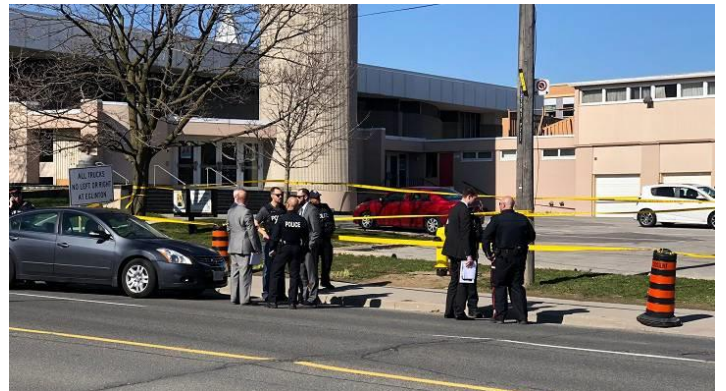
## Prayer for Victims of Violence

*Loving God, you are the author and sustainer of our lives. You know the anguish of the sorrowful, and are attentive to the prayers of the brokenhearted. Hear all who cry out to you in their need; strengthen their hope in your mercy.*

*We pray today for those who have died because of violence in our city. Let your face shine upon them. May they be greeted with choirs of angels and know your eternal peace.*

*Be near to all who have been hurt by violence, those who have lost loved ones and who have lost their security. Be for them a safe place of rest.*

*Soften the hearts and steady of the minds of those who would do violence to others. May hate be replaced with love, violence with peace and darkness with your light. Amen.*



*30 April 2018 – Stabbing on Kennedy Road.*

## Prayer to our Lady of Guadalupe

### O Virgin of Guadalupe,

Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child’s life. Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son. Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends, until God calls them home.

Help us never to see others as burdens. Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

