



[ Parish Ministries: *Sharing our gifts to build God's Kingdom.*]

## Parish Week

Sunday, 28 October 2018

### Saturday, 27 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Edward Nadigan (Malona family)  
5.00 pm Mass: † Athanasius B Dias & Mary M Dias (Anita)

### SUNDAY, 28 OCT. / 30-B

■ *Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo*

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

- 9.00 am Mass: † Randy Garcia (Vinah)  
10.30 am Mass: † Rayappu Bastiampillai (family)  
11.30 am Catholic Women's League  
- *Speaker: Audrey Johnson, "God is Love"*  
12.00 pm Mass: † Panfilo P Sunga (Pat King)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday, 29 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Holly Fisher (Eileen Egan)  
7.00 pm Mass: Int. Isabel & Mike Gracias (friends)

### Tuesday, 30 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Arline Gochoco (Corine Maulion)

### Wednesday, 31 Oct. / St. Anthony Mary Claret, *bishop*

- 8.00 am Mass: † James Larkin (Alice & family)

### Thursday, 1 Nov. / All Saints

- 8.00 am Mass: † Deceased Fritz & Scheibli family members (Valerie & Mike)  
7.00 pm Mass: Int. healing of Bonny & Dave Weir (Paul Chan)

### Friday, 2 Nov. / All Souls

- 8.00 am Mass: † Antonio & Maria Cefald (family)  
6.00 pm Holy Hour  
7.00 pm Mass: † Holy Souls in Purgatory (Audrey)

### Saturday, 3 Nov. / St. Martin de Porres, *religious*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Annie Woods (Alice Larkin)  
9.00 am Altar Servers Training  
12.00 pm Memorial Mass: Vettiragini Anton Jesudasan  
5.00 pm Mass: Int. Birthday Michael Joseph (Mom, Agnes)  
- *RCIA Catechumenate Rite*

### SUNDAY, 4 NOV. / 31-B

■ *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Jesus Mopas (Rosalina)  
10.30 am Mass: † Frank & Joan DeVerno (Pamela)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Olga & John Pereira (family)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Focus on the Word

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**  
**Jeremiah 31.7-9; Hebrews 5.1-6; Mark 10.46-52**

*Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. Amen.*

## Pray for the Deceased

**Gregory Paul Beresford**

**The 6 victims of the shooting in Bakersfield, California**

## November Masses

During the month of November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, in addition to our regular weekday 8.00 am morning Mass, there will be an evening Mass: Monday to Friday at 7.00 pm.

## Book of Remembrance

During November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, we will remember all the faithful departed of our families at our daily Masses. Parishioners may add the names of deceased family members in our November *Book of Remembrance*, in front of the pulpit.

## Catholic Education

As we continue to live in the spirit of our Thanksgiving celebration with our families, let us give thanks for the teachers, trustees and sports

leaders in our Catholic schools who educate and encourage our youth to realize their potential as unique children of God. All are invited to celebrate the gift and blessing of Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools by visiting: [www.TogetherInFaith.ca](http://www.TogetherInFaith.ca)



**Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection 28 October, *Maintenance*

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection on Sunday, 28 Oct., will be for the support of our major parish projects through the *Maintenance Collection*.

## COMING UP

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| 5 Nov.  | Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)                                       |
| 8 Nov.  | St. Maria Goretti School Remembrance Mass (10:00 pm)                                    |
| 11 Nov. | Religious Articles Sale;<br>- Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)                                  |
| 18 Nov. | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Shepherds Trust</i> ;<br>- Knights of Columbus (1:00 pm) |
| 25 Nov. | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <i>Maintenance</i> ;<br>- Catholic Women's League (1:00 pm) |
| 27 Nov. | St. Maria Goretti School Advent Reconciliation (8:45 am)                                |
| 29 Nov. | <b>Fr. Edwin:</b> Ordination Anniversary (1980)   |

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

For more information on our *Seminarians, Princess Alexandra* and other articles, see page 3 in the bulletin on our website.

## Ministry Sunday: 28 October

St. Maria Goretti Parish will hold its Annual *Ministry Sunday* at all Masses on 27/28 October. All parish ministries will have representatives and information about their activity at the tables throughout the Church Vestibule.

God created each of us with unique gifts, talents, and experiences. Part of our journey towards holiness and towards God is discovering who we are, what gifts we have, and how we can share these gifts with our families & friends, our community, and our world. We invite you to take an opportunity to reflect on the person God created you to be and the gifts you may have to share.

If you are new to the parish, or if you have been a parishioner for some time and are discerning deeper involvement in our faith community, take the time to look over the ministry displays and speak to the representatives; and ask the Lord if you are being called to share your gifts in a new way.

## Come & See Weekend 2-4 November

Come and See Weekend – Friday, November 2 (begins at 6:30 p.m.) to Sunday, November 4 (ends at 1:30 p.m.), at St. Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

For more information, please contact Fr. Edwin, or the *Office of Vocations* at: 416 968 0997; email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

## Altar Servers

### FALL TRAINING SERIES

*Resumes Saturday, 3 November, 9 am*

The Fall Training Series for our new Altar Server Candidates will resume at 9.00 am on Saturday, 3 November. Applicants must be members of registered parish families.



RCIA Rite of Christian  
Initiation of Adults  
Bible Sponsors wanted

Do you cherish the Bible? Would you like to help spread the *Good News* to new Catholics? Here's a way for you to let others know how powerful the Bible is!

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* invites parishioners to serve as **Bible Sponsors** for the candidates currently in the process of joining the Church.

On 3 November, the Inquirers will celebrate the Rite of Admission to the *Catechumenate*, a period of focused study of the faith.

At that time, they will be presented with blessed **Bibles**. For a donation of \$25, parishioners may sponsor one Bible, which will be presented to a candidate. For more information on how you can help, call: **Fr. Edwin**, 416-261-0076.

## Baptism

*Congratulations* to the newest members of our Church, born again through water and the Spirit as brothers and sisters of Jesus:

8 September

**Makeda Ilene Bell**

**Maia Evelyn Bell**

**Michael Owen Bell**

**Zane Jayden Downey**

**Kasiemobi Akachukwu Ezeme**

**Maire Andria Masong**

**Gabrielle Aiden Rodriguez**

9 September

**Mason Vincent Albano**

**Cateleya Francesca Garcia**

**Layla Ricafort**

19 September

**Anton Johnnie Rizk**

29 September

**Friddie Reyes Fabia**

30 September

**Blair Catherine Lee Gariepy**

**Addison Kathleen Hammond Langan**

7 October

**Evelyn Claire Laguerder**

**Guil Skyller Sollano**

## Campaign Life Christmas Cakes: 3 & 4 Nov.

Delicious Christmas fruitcakes to benefit the work of *Campaign Life Coalition* will be available at all Masses on 3 and 4 November: \$20 for oblong, \$27 for round cakes.

## Right to Life Christmas Cards: 3 & 4 Nov.

Why bother with secular "Christmas" cards? Get the *real thing*! Beautiful *Right to Life* Christmas cards will be available at all Masses on 5 and 12 November. Cost: \$8 for a package of ten.

## Catholic Cemeteries

### All Souls' Mass:

3 November, 2:00 pm

The CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES of the Archdiocese of Toronto wish

to invite all families to participate in the *All Souls' Mass* at 2.00 pm on Saturday, 3 November. All Masses will be held indoors. The nearest Catholic Cemeteries to us are:

- ☐ Christ the King Cemetery, Markham, *English*
- ☐ Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill, *Italian and English*
- ☐ Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby, *English*





[Photo: **Fr. Scott Birchall** visit St. Maria Goretti Parish, 14 October 2018. l-r: Alvin Joys, Fr. Elias Chachati, Fr. Scott Birchall, Fr. Edwin Galea, Deacon Ramon Villardo, James Cyfko.]

## Princess Alexandra Becomes Catholic

**Princess Alexandra of Hanover**, a member of the royal family of Monaco, has been removed from her place in the British line of succession after having become a Catholic.

The news was reported in English on 27 Sept. by *Royal Central*, which cited *Point de Vue*, a French weekly.

Because the British monarch is head of the Church of England, which is the established church, British law bars Catholics from succeeding to the throne.

The Succession to the Crown Act 2013 allowed heirs to the throne to marry Catholics, among other changes. However, the law still stipulates that the acting British sovereign cannot be Catholic, since they have been barred from the English throne since the Act of Settlement, 1701.

Princess Alexandra, 19, was born in Austria and was baptized Lutheran. She is the daughter of Caroline, Princess of Hanover (who has always been Catholic) and Prince Ernst August of Hanover. Through her father she is descended from Victoria, daughter of Queen Victoria.

Alexandra is the granddaughter of Grace Kelly, who in 1956 became Princess of Monaco when she married Prince Rainier III. So in addition to having been in the British line, Alexandra is 12<sup>th</sup> in line to the throne of Monaco. She is a figure skater, and has represented Monaco internationally.

Along with Alexandra, **Lord Nicholas Windsor** has also been excluded from the British line of succession for becoming Catholic. Lord Nicholas is a great-grandson of George V, and was baptized in the Church of England. He was received into the Catholic Church in 2001.

## The Pumpkin

A woman was asked by a coworker, "What is it like to be a Christian?"

The woman replied, "It is like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off of you.

Then He cuts off the top and scoops out all the mean and yucky stuff.

He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, and greed.

Then He carves a new smiling face for you, and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see."



"We're teaching our children the importance of regular church attendance . . . what time should we pick them up?"