

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious
Thy great name we praise.*



Focus on the Word

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

1 Kings 17.10-16; Hebrews 9.24-28; Mark 12.38-44

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Amen.

Parish Week

Sunday, 11 November 2018

Saturday, 10 Nov. / St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Fr. Elias (friend)
- 5.00 pm Mass: † Luisito Santacruz (family)
- 6.30 pm St. Maria Goretti Children's Choir Concert

SUNDAY, 11 NOV. / 32-B

- *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*
- *Right to Life Cards & Campaign Life Christmas Cakes*
- *Religious Articles Sale*
- *Armistice Day: 100th Anniversary of the End of World War I*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Luigi Di Cicco (Emma, mom)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Maria, Lawrence & Joseph D'Cruz (Pereira family)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Harry Yu (Belen & family)
- 1.30 pm Infant Baptism
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 12 Nov. / St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Holly Fisher (Edison & Jigi Gabales)
- 1.00 pm St. Albert School Mass
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Hans Kwa (Sofie Salve)

Tuesday, 13 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. in Honor of St. Rita (Bill Little)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Catherine Reardon (family)

Wednesday, 14 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Arline Gochoco (Corine Maulion)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Healing of Nancy Bayer (Eileen Egan)

Thursday, 15 Nov. / St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Francis Ignacius (Josephine Jegasothy)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Edburg Mendes (Juliette & Samantha)

Friday, 16 Nov. / St. Margaret of Scotland

- 8.00 am Mass: † Toks Oshinowo (family)
- 11.00 am ▶ Ina Grafton Nursing Home Mass
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Salve & Tom Turiano (family)

Saturday, 17 Nov. / St. Elizabeth of Hungary

- 8.00 am Mass: † Billy & Ludy Ombac (family)
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Shoba Ryan (friends)

SUNDAY, 18 NOV. / 33-B

- *Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo*
- *2nd Collection: Shepherds Trust*

- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Fr. Elias (friend)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Sarah Perera (family)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Abraham Garcia (Vinah)
- 1.00 pm Knights of Columbus
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Pray for the Deceased

Frieda Baran

Jose Ramos

The **483 victims** of the **floods in Kerala, India**

Dennis Dean

Robert Tan



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.

Fragrance Irritation and Allergies

The chemicals used in many cosmetics may cause allergic reactions in some people. Typical reactions to fragrances include breathing problems, asthma and dermatitis (itchy rash). Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners, and refrain from wearing cosmetics with discernable fragrances to Church.

2nd Collection

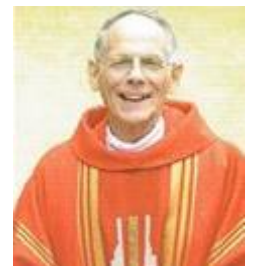
18 November, *Shepherds' Trust*

The 2nd collection on 19 November will be for the support of our retired priests through the *Shepherds' Trust*.

[r.: **Monsignor John Pilkauskas**]

Each year, grateful parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto contribute to the Shepherds' Trust.

Envelopes for this collection next week will be distributed today, 11 November; a special presentation on behalf of the Shepherds' Trust will be made at the Announcements at all Masses.



COMING UP

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25 Nov.

2nd Collection: *Maintenance*;
- Catholic Women's League (1:00 pm)

27 Nov.

St. Maria Goretti School Advent Reconciliation (8:45 am)

29 Nov.

Fr. Edwin: Ordination Anniversary (1980)

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

For more information on *Stewardship*, *Our Lady of Guadalupe*, and other articles, see page 3 in the bulletin on our website.

Ministry Sunday 2018

Many thanks to all who participated in our Annual *Ministry Sunday* on 28 October. A special *Thank You* to all who offered their names to serve in various parish ministries. Soon, our parish Volunteer Screening Committee will finish reviewing the list of candidates, to make sure they are registered in our parish, etc. Then, the Ministry Facilitators will be contacting you to arrange the follow-up so you can begin the orientation process to share your talents in our parish family of faith and service.

Family of Faith

Implementing the Pastoral Plan

Many thanks to all parishioners who are participating in our diocesan

Family of Faith campaign, to implement the Pastoral Plan developed by **Cardinal Collins**. Please ensure that your donations are properly addressed:

Family of Faith - Donations Processing Centre
Toronto Archdiocese, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto, ON M4T 1W2



Family of Faith

Sunday Missals

The new Sunday Missals have arrived for the next liturgical year, beginning with the First Sunday of Advent on 2 December 2018. Pick up your copy at the table in the Vestibule for \$5.



RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Thank you to the Bible Sponsors

Many thanks to all parishioners who sponsored Bibles for the RCIA candidates for the *Rite of the Catechumenate* at the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, 3 November.

Please keep all the Adult and Youth candidates in your prayers. On Saturday, 24 November, some of the participants who have been involved since the *Rite of Election* earlier this year will celebrate the *Early Initiation Rites*.

The RCIA is for adults who want to be Baptized; those who are Christian and not yet Catholic; and those who are already Catholic but have not received all the Sacraments of Initiation.

Catholic Education

As we reflect on 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



Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association

ADVENT PREPARATIONS

Christmas Flowers

Parishioners are invited to sponsor this year's display of CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS in our Sanctuary. Donation envelopes are at the Office window.



If you wish to *dedicate* your flowers, please fill out the "Christmas Flower" form in the donation envelope. Dedications will be accepted until noon on Monday, 18 December.

The forms are intended to remember *one person* for each pot donated. If you wish to honour more than one person, you may submit the name of a pair who share a common family name; or, for many persons, "For the members of the _____ Family."

Campaign Life Christmas Cakes: 4 & 11 Nov.

Delicious Christmas fruitcakes to benefit the work of *Campaign Life Coalition* will be available at all Masses on 4 and 11 November: \$20 for oblong, \$27 for round cakes.

Right to Life Christmas Cards: 4 & 11 Nov.

Why bother with secular "Christmas" cards? Get the *real thing!* Beautiful *Right to Life* Christmas cards will be available at all Masses on 4 and 11 November. Cost: \$8 for a package of ten.

Altar Servers

FALL TRAINING SERIES

Saturday mornings, 9 am



Would you like to be an Altar Server? The Fall Training Series for our new Altar Server Candidates continues at 9.00 am on Saturday mornings. Applicants must be members of registered parish families, and have made their 1st Communion.

Stewardship

2019 Sunday Envelopes

Soon, parishioners will be invited to pick up their 2019 *Sunday Offertory Envelopes* in the Vestibule after Mass. The

envelopes are for registered parishioners only; if you are new to the neighbourhood and have not yet registered, *welcome!* Come to the Office window, fill out a *registration form*, and join our community of faith.

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship!

My Offering	
Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Matt. 6:21	Name: _____
	Address: _____
	Amount: _____

PEACE

The greatest destroyer of peace is abortion, because if a mother can kill her own child, what is left for me to kill you and you to kill me? There is nothing between.

Mother Teresa



[Photo: Some of the participants in the annual BLESSING OF ANIMALS, held this year on Saturday, 13 October.]

Our Lady of Guadalupe Patroness of the Americas, and Patroness of the Unborn

The **Blessed Virgin Mary** teaches us the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their most profound sense by her own life witness. In their pastoral letter on Christian stewardship, the life: she was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively, and prudently; and she understood her divinely assigned role as “handmaid” in terms of service and fidelity (*Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response*, p.43).

The patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary was bestowed on the *International Catholic Stewardship Council* by our late Holy Father; **St. Pope John XXIII** at the request of His Eminence, **Joseph Cardinal Ritter**. In her honor; the late pontiff chose the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated by the Church on December 8, as the patronal feast.

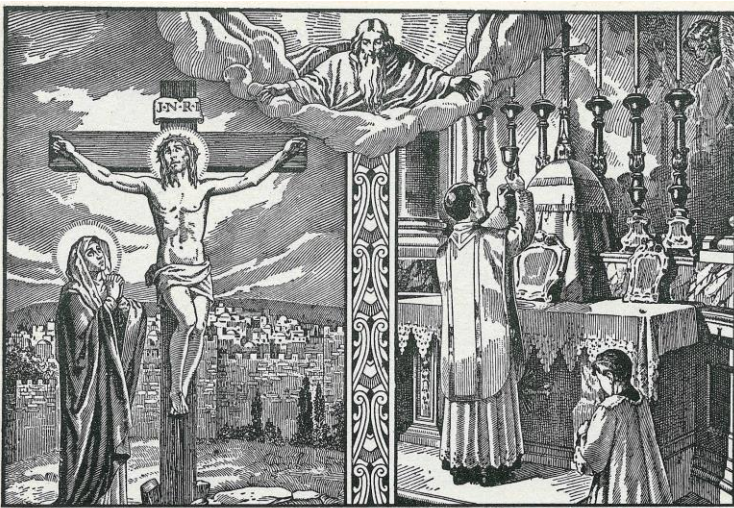
Our Blessed Mother has emerged as a source of protection, refuge and comfort in her distinction as OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE; and the rich traditions of her veneration often reflect the historical journeys, sorrow and the hopes of Catholic faithful in the entire Western Hemisphere.

In 1945, **Pope Pius XII** declared Our Lady of Guadalupe to be the “Empress of the Americas;” and in 1979, **St. Pope John Paul II** called Our Lady, the “Star of Evangelization,” the first evangelizer of America. While kneeling in prayer before her image, he invoked Our Lady of Guadalupe as the surest way to encounter Christ. In *Ecclesia in America*, 1999, the Holy Father affirmed that: “In America, the mestiza face of the Virgin of Guadalupe was from the start a symbol of the inculturation of the Gospel of which she has been the lodestar and the guide. Through her most powerful intercession, the holy Gospel will penetrate the hearts of the men and women of America and permeate their cultures, transforming them from within.”

We pay tribute to Our Blessed Mother as our dear Patroness of the Americas, and invoke with love Our Lady of Guadalupe to show us the way to be good stewards of God’s abundant good gifts, including the gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



The Sacrifice of the Mass



Throughout November, we offer the **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass** especially for the Souls of the Faithful Departed.

In the words of ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH:

"Make certain, therefore, that you all observe one common Eucharist; for there is but one Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and but one cup of union with his Blood, and one single altar of Sacrifice—even as there is also but one bishop, with his clergy and my own fellow servitors, the deacons. This will ensure that all your doings are in full accord with the will of God." (*Letter to the Philadelphians 4* [A.D. 110]).

And, in the words of ST. AUGUSTINE:

The Sacrifice of Christ has succeeded all the Sacrifices of the Old Testament. Instead of all those oblations, His body is offered and is served up to the partakers of it." (*The City of God, 17:20* [A.D. 419]).