



Our Lady of the Rosary, Pray for Us!

Parish Week

Sunday, 6 October 2019

Saturday, 5 Oct.

- 7.00 am 2.000 Hail Mary Devotion begins (to 4.30 pm)
 8.00 am Mass: † For the unborn (Audrey)
 4.00 pm Blessing of Animals
 5.00 pm Mass: † Reginald Mendonca (family)

SUNDAY, 6 OCT. / 27-C

- *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*
 ■ *St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Sunday*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Lim Teng Chay & Sy Eng Chon (family)
 10.30 am Mass: † Mac & Fe Matubis (Greg)
 12.00 am Mass: Int. Joshua Go (family)
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 7 Oct. / Our Lady of the Rosary

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Fr. Elias Chachati (Anne-Marie Solomon)
 7.00 pm Mass: † Norah & Anthony Teixeira (family)
 7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent meeting

Tuesday, 8 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Joseph & Louisa Andrews (family)

Wednesday, 9 Oct. / St. Denis, bishop & companions, martyrs

- 8.00 am Mass: † Janice Manao – Abella
 (Donna Togade Villegas)
 8.45 am St. Maria Goretti School Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday, 10 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Francisco Di Michele (family)
 9.00 am Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School Mass

Friday, 11 Oct. / St. John XXIII, pope

- 8.00 am Mass: † Juliano Pangte Constantin (Amalia)

Saturday, 12 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Fr. Elias (friend)
 5.00 pm Mass: † Chrissie Ameresekere (family)

SUNDAY, 13 OCT. / 28-C

- *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Michael Woods (Alice Larkin)
 10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto & Lydia Rodas (family)
 12.00 am Mass: † Maura J. Ruiz (Irene & Rachel)
 1.30 pm Infant Baptism
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Habakkuk 1.2-4; 2 Timothy 1.6-14; Luke 17.5-10

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. . Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

**Juanita Furigay Elmer Guanzon Sr.
 Margaret Reynolds Eileen Marie Power
 Delores & Ron Moore**

The **120 victims** of the **attack** on the
Tajoura refugee camp in Tripoli, Libya



Blessing of Animals 5 October, 4.00 pm

In honour of St. Francis of Assisi, the *Blessing of Animals* will be celebrated at 4 pm on Saturday, 5 October, in front of the main entrance. You are welcome to bring beloved pets for this blessing.

Christopher Leadership 6 October

The next *Christopher Leadership* classes begin 6 October 2019 at: St. Theresa Shrine, 2559 Kingston Rd., 6-9 pm.

For more information, call: 416-410-7776.

Bundle Up Sunday 6 October



On the weekend of 5/6 October, the *St. Vincent de Paul Society* will collect gently-used clothing to support the needy. A St. Vincent de Paul bin will be in front of the Church; bring your donation, and help others in our community.

COMING UP

7027o19

14 Oct.	THANKSGIVING
15 Oct.	► St. Albert School Mass (9:30 am)
19 Oct.	► Altar Servers: Serra Awards Mass, (St. Joseph Church, Highland Creek, 10:00 am); - ► Archdiocese Ministry Conference, 8.45 am (Hilton Mississauga)
20 Oct.	2 nd Collection: <i>World Mission</i> ; - <i>ShareLife</i> Bake Sale; - Knights of Columbus (1:00 pm)
27 Oct.	2 nd Collection: Maintenance; - Catholic Women's League (11:30 am)
4 Nov.	► St. Albert School Mass (Remembrance) (1:00 pm); - Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
7 Nov.	St. Maria Goretti School Mass (Remembrance) (9:45 am)
10 Nov.	Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
17 Nov.	2 nd Collection: <i>Shepherds' Trust</i>
22 Nov.	St. Maria Goretti School Mass Reconciliation (8:45 am)

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

For more information on these and other parish activities, see pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

Sacramental Preparation

Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion:

start 28 September

Preparation began on 28 September for the Sacraments of *Reconciliation* and *First Holy Communion* for those students in public school, and those who have entered the Catholic school system after grade 2. For details, call: **Fr. Elias**, 416-261-0076.

Confirmation: start 19 October

Preparation will begin on 19 October for the Sacrament of *Confirmation* for those students in public school, and those who have entered the Catholic school system after grade 7.

For further information, call the facilitator directly:

Mr. Mukesh Kapadia, 416-759-0882.

**Note:* Students in Catholic Schools receive Confirmation preparation in Grade 7.



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 26 October, 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.

2,000 Hail Mary Devotion

Starts at 7.00 am, 5 October

The Two Thousand Hail Mary devotion will be held on Saturday, 5 October, starting at 7 am. For details, see the website bulletin.

ShareLife Committee 12 pm, 5 Oct.

The next *ShareLife* Committee meeting will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, 14 September.

Sunday School 10.30 am Mass

New parishioners may be interested to know that St. Maria Goretti Parish hosts a *Sunday School for Kids* 3 to 6 years old during the 10.30 am Mass. It's a great service to the children, and it gives the parents a chance to focus and listen to the Scriptures and homily.

Kids who want to join the Sunday School should be in the Church before Mass. When Mass begins, they will be called to come up in front of the Altar with their teachers for the Priest's blessing. Afterwards, they will be led to their room for the Sunday School. For details, call: **Anna** or **Maria**, 416-875-0324.

Life Chain

6 October, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

All are asked to join this year's *Life Chain*: a silent hour of prayer on: *Sunday, 6 October, 2 - 3 pm*. Our assembly location is:

**Danforth Avenue & Victoria Park Avenue,
or Lawrence Avenue & Birchmount Road**



Relics of St. Brother André 8 October

On 8 October 2019, from 6-9 pm, the Relics of **St. Brother André** of St. Joseph Oratory, will be at St. Lawrence Church: 2210 Lawrence Avenue East; Phone: (416) 759-9359.

Altar Servers Annual Awards Mass

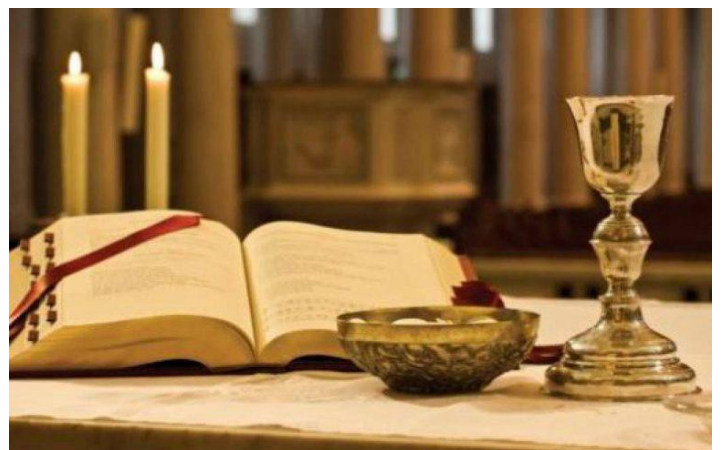
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, 19 October

The annual Altar Server Awards Mass will be at 10.00 am on Saturday, 19 October at St. Joseph Church, 200 Morrish Road, Highland Creek. Phone: (416) 282-0370.

FALL TRAINING SERIES

Begins Saturday, 26 October, 9-10.30 am

Would you like to be an Altar Server? The Fall Training Series for our new Altar Server Candidates will begin at 9.00 am on Saturday, 26 October. Applicants must be members of registered parish families, and have made their 1st Communion.



Stewardship

PUTTING CHRIST AT THE CENTRE

Putting Christ at the Centre means looking at the life of Jesus, and living just as he teaches us.

All persons follow in their own way, based on their talents and situations, and we respond with faith.

We have an *urgent* call. It is a call to live as a *disciple* and as a *steward*.

Jesus' call is urgent. He does not tell people to follow him at some time in the future, but here and now, at this moment, in these circumstances.

There can be no delay.

A steward is a servant entrusted for a time with the goods of the Master. The steward uses but does not own these goods, and must eventually give an account to the Master for the way in which they have been cared for and made fruitful.

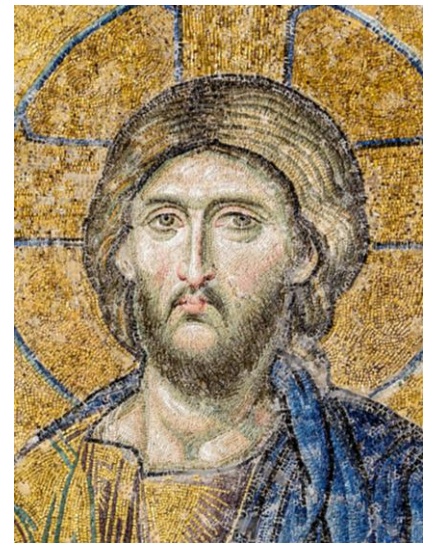
Each of us spends a brief time in this life, preparing for our eternal life with God. While we are here, we receive everything from God, even life itself, and are asked to make good use of what God has entrusted to us. We are invited by God to be good *stewards* of His gifts. It is no wonder that the idea of stewardship plays such a central role in the life of faith. The Bible often refers to the *spirit of stewardship*, using various terms to describe it.

In fact, the ideas of *servant*, *disciple*, and *apostle* – so central in the Scriptures – all include the idea of stewardship. We are servants of the Lord, who will be called to account when he returns. The disciple must be faithful to the teachings received from the Master. The apostles are sent out from Jesus, and must faithfully represent him as stewards of his mission and message.

The prospect of the return of the Master should fill Christians with joy: we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.



WHAT MAKES YOU
GRATEFUL?
ARE YOU TAKING
TIME TO DEVELOP
AN ATTITUDE OF
GRATITUDE?

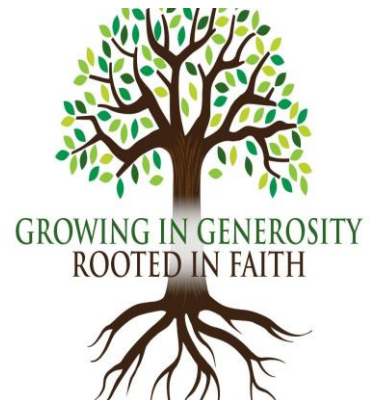


In New Testament times, and through the early centuries of Christianity, the disciples of Jesus had a lively sense of expectation, as they awaited His return. Our liturgy is still filled with references to the coming of the Lord, though we hear of that so often that we do not take it seriously. But Jesus will come at the end of time, whenever that will be, and each of us will stand before the Lord at the end of our life to give an account of our stewardship. That can happen at any moment, and we need to be ready.

Only the right use of the time, talent, and treasure which have been entrusted to us will allow us to be able serenely and joyfully to await the coming of the Lord. Often in the Gospels we hear of the imminent coming of the Master. In the classical stewardship parable, Matthew 25.14-30 (See also Luke 19: 11-27), three servants are entrusted with great sums of money, and are then assessed by the master when he returns, on the basis of how they made use of the money they had received.

Stewardship calls for creativity and boldness. Each of us has enormous potential, but few things are sadder than to hear at the end of a person's life: "that person had a lot of potential." As good stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with true increase.

If we have the spirit of stewardship, we will not let God's gifts go to waste, and we will not selfishly cling to them, but we will use them generously to serve others. In doing so, we give glory to God. That is the whole point of stewardship.





Archdiocese of Toronto

Office of Formation for Discipleship

Cultivating a Church of Grateful Missionary Disciples

"The Holy Spirit also enriches the entire evangelizing Church with different charisms. These gifts are meant to renew and build up the Church. They are not an inheritance, safely secured and entrusted to a small group for safekeeping; rather they are gifts of the Spirit integrated into the body of the Church, drawn to the centre which is Christ and then channeled into an evangelizing impulse."

- **Pope Francis**, *Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 130

Our Vision and Mission

The diocesan **Office of Formation for Discipleship** is committed to cultivating a Church of grateful missionary disciples who actively encounter Christ in word and Sacraments and share their God-given gifts in joyful service as living witnesses to Christ in the world.

We're here to...

Assist pastors, clergy, and lay leaders by sharing resources, fostering networks, and providing formation opportunities;

Support parish efforts by offering diocesan and regional formation opportunities for the lay faithful; and

Collaborate with various partners (such as religious orders, agencies, educational institutions, and lay movements) through consultations, information sharing, events and initiatives.

How We Support You

The office of formation for Discipleship is always searching for ways to support parishes in the Archdiocese. Below is a listing of the avenues that will help you receive the support you need for your pastoral team.

Ministries We Support

Across the Archdiocese, there are numerous opportunities to serve the Church. Our office can serve as a foundation in guiding your pastoral team with the launch of new ministry or to revitalize ministries already in place.

Evangelization / Catechesis

Sacramental Preparation

Liturgical Formation

Social Justice / Ministry with Children

Maturing Adults and Families

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

Bereavement Ministry

Stewardship and Parish Vitality

Formation and Networking Opportunities

We provide workshops for liturgical ministries:

Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Liturgical Musician, Liturgy of the Word with Children, and Hospitality

(please visit Programs and Workshops at <https://www.archtoronto.org/discipleship>)

2ND ANNUAL PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE

Christ, the Sure Foundation: *Catholicism in the 21st Century*

Saturday, 19 October 2019 / 8 am. to 4:30 pm.

Mass at 4:30 pm. with Cardinal Thomas Collins

Hilton Mississauga/Meadowvale, 6750 Mississauga Rd.

This year's Parish Ministry Conference will address the struggles of being Catholic in today's world, and aim to inspire and equip pastoral teams to better serve their parish community. Our engaging and seasoned speakers will cover the landscape of parish ministry life from the Catholic Church's teachings to practical application and tools. The conference will feature ministry formation, faith sharing, fellowship, networking and Holy Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins.

For more information, go to:

<https://www.archtoronto.org>

and click on the Ministry Conference panel on the home page.



Christyanton Anthonypillai

31 July 1956 – 29 September 2019

சாந்தியடைய

Our dear Christyanton entered eternal rest on Sunday, 29 September 2019.

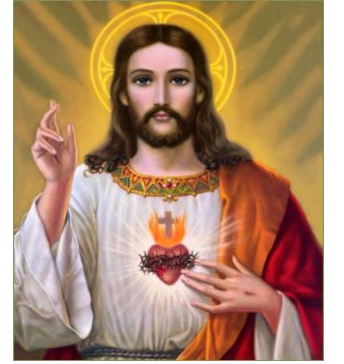
His funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Maria Goretti Church at 11.00 am on Saturday, 5 October.

Presider: Fr. Edwin Galea, parish pastor

Homilist: Fr. Charles Collins, pastor,
OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH TAMIL PARISH

Music provided by:
OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH PARISH CHOIR

Interment: CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CEMETERY, 7770 Steeles Avenue East



Arul Nirainda Mariyae

Arul niraintha Mariyaa vazhga
Karther ummdena pengalukkul
Asirvathikka pettaval Neeray.
Ummudaya thiruvayattin
kaniyakiya Yesuvum
asirvathikka pettavaray.
Archishista Marie
Sarvaswaranudaya Mathavay
Pavigalaiya erukkira engalukkaka
eppoluthum engal marana nerathilum
vendikollum. Amen.



2,000 Hail Mary Devotion

Join us: Saturday, 5 October

Join the devotees of the 2,000 Hail Mary Devotion in a Day of Prayer and Renewal on Saturday, 5 October in our Church.

Begin at 7.00 am. Pause to attend Mass at 8.00 am, and then continue to approx. 4.30 pm. Refreshments will be available.

The 2,000 Hail Mary Devotion was started by two Salesian seminarians, **Daniel Ara** and **Juan Riu** in Barcelona, Spain on 25 March 1933 during the Feast of the Annunciation. With great devotion in his heart and mind Juan Riu recited the 2,000 Hail Marys, asking Our Lady Three Graces:

to become a Salesian, a priest and a missionary.

He waited trustfully for Our Lady to fulfill her promise.

On 27 July 1935 he made his vows as a Salesian. Then on 15 June 1946 he was ordained as a Priest. On 30 August 1952 he landed in the poorest slum of San Juan, Puerto Rico, as a missionary. After 12 years he went on to Ecuador, and then Santa Ana, California.

During Monsignor Juan Riu's 50 years as a Priest he promoted the 2000 Hail Mary Devotion with great success, with the blessing of his Bishop, Pedro Gabrielli Zen, Bishop of Macas, Ecuador.

On November 5, 1996 Mgr. Juan Riu left this world.

The Prayer of The Two Thousand Hail Marys

Each petition is requested after 100 Hail Marys.

- Petition # 1. Bless Us With The Grace Of Prayer.
- Petition # 2. We pray for Peace.
- Petition # 3. For the Conversion of Sinners.
- Petition # 4. For the prevention of Abortion.
- Petition # 5. For those in any form of addiction.
- Petition # 6. For the grace to know and appreciate the importance and value of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
- Petition # 7. For more vocations.
- Petition # 8. Teach us the reading of the Holy Bible.
- Petition # 9. For St. Pope John Paul II.
- Petition #10. For the increase of Prayer Groups and Cenacles.



☺ Your Sabbath Smile

A man is walking down the street when suddenly he hears a tiny voice above him that says: "If you take one more step, a brick will land on your head and kill you."

Surprised, the man stops just as a huge brick crashes down right in front of him.

He is stunned for a moment and then continues on his way.

A few minutes later, hears the voice again: "Stop! Don't cross the road. If you do, the next vehicle will run you over!" The man freezes, and a moment later a speeding car whizzes by, right in front of him.

The man breathes a sigh of relief, looks up, and calls out:

"Who ARE you?"

The Voice replies joyfully, "I am your Guardian Angel!"

"Really?" the man says. After a minute he calls out:

"Then where were you when I walked down to the aisle to get Married?!?"

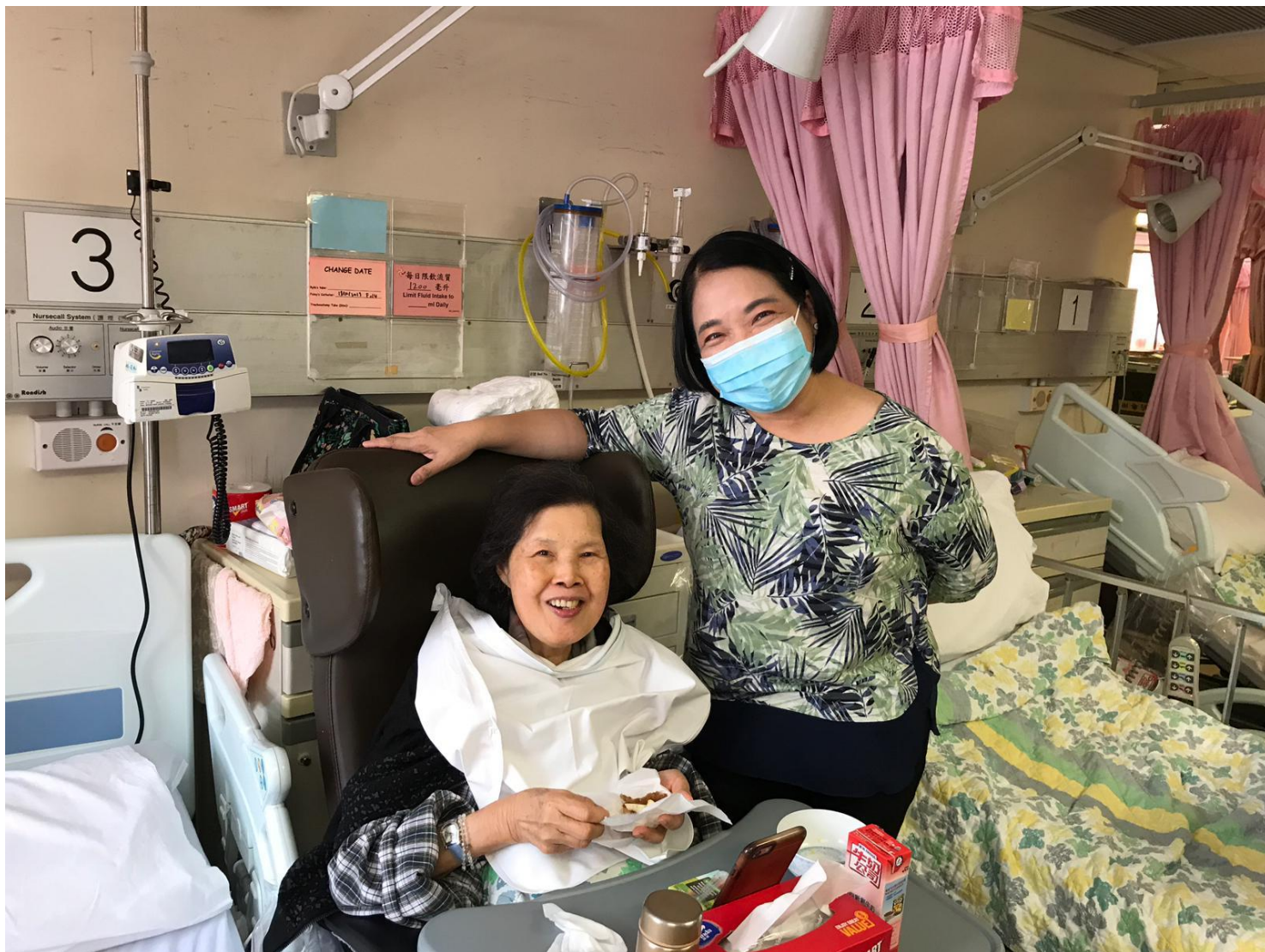




Above: The Baptism celebration of **Kai Jaxson Wijesingha**, at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Montego Bay, Jamaica, on

7 September 2019. *Below:* Jaxson's family on the Cathedral grounds, with the Bay and the Caribbean Sea in the back.





Above: Taking care of our families:

Maria Kan enjoys a visit with a friend as she recovers in hospital in Hong Kong. Maria, originally from Macau, is the mother of **Margaret Wong**, one of our parish Lectors.

Right: RCIC Team

The **Saturday morning RCIC Team** gathers to bid farewell to Shekka Capili, who is finishing her time as a student facilitator for the Catechism class.

This class serves mostly the children of the adult converts, who are enrolled in the Friday evening RCIA class. Other students include children born in Catholic families, but who are missing Sacraments of Initiation appropriate to their age.

[l-r:] **Desiree Fernandes, Shekka Capili, Fr. Edwin Galea, Fiona Francis, Ray Dabrowski.**

