



Parish Week † Sunday, 13 Oct. 2019

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 pm Mass: † Maura J. Ruiz (Irene & Rachel)
1.30 pm Infant Baptism
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 14 Oct. / St. Callistus I, pope & martyr

■ Thanksgiving Day

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Michael Solomon (sister)
7.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Joseph D'Souza)

Tuesday, 15 Oct. / St. Teresa of Jesus, virgin & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † James Selvanayagam (George & family)
9.30 am ► St. Albert School Thanksgiving Mass

Wednesday, 16 Oct. / St. Marguerite D'Youville

■ St. Maria Goretti's Birthday (1890)

- 8.00 am Mass: † Gary Faulkner (wife Mary & family)

Thursday, 17 Oct. / St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Lactinco-Almeda (Ondine)

Friday, 18 Oct. / St. Luke, evangelist

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Thavam Joseph (Caroline)
11.00 am ► Ina Grafton Nursing Home Mass

Saturday, 19 Oct.

- 8.00 am Mass: † George Obadiah (Anne-Marie Solomon)
11.00 am ► Serra Altar Server Awards Mass
at St. Joseph's church, Highland Creek
5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas
(Thanesh Thanarajan)

SUNDAY, 20 OCT. / 29-C

■ Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

■ 2nd Collection: World Mission Sunday

■ Share Life Bake Sale

- 9.00 am Mass: † Luigi DeCicco (Emma)
10.30 am Mass: † Agnes Diaz (family)
12.00 am Mass: † Donald Anthony Kay
(Carol Houston & family)
1.00 pm Knights of Columbus
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

2 Kings 5.14-17; 2 Timothy 2.8-13; Luke 17.11-19

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Delphine Fernandes **Peter Giovanou**
Maria-Ann Melville **Brian Wilson**
Justice J. Bryan Shaughnessy

The 34 victims of the boat fire in California



THANKSGIVING PRAYER

All praise and glory are Yours, Lord our God,
King of the universe and Father of all.
We thank You for choosing us to be Your people,
for adopting us as Your children in Christ, and
for sending Your Spirit to lead us to You.
We thank You for all the blessings You have given us:
our life, our love, and the faith which binds us together.

Father, we give You glory through Jesus Christ,
Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

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| 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) |
| 24 Nov. | 2 nd Collection: Maintenance;
- Catholic Women's League (11:30 am) |

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

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

Ministry Sunday: 27 October

St. Maria Goretti Parish will hold its Annual *Ministry Sunday* at all Masses on 26/27 October. All parish ministries are welcome to have representatives and information about their activity at the tables throughout the Church Vestibule. For further information, call: **Ed Ridgeley**, 416-261-9361.

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.

Sacramental Preparation

Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion:
start 28 September

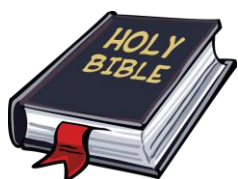
Preparation began on 28 September for the Sacraments of *Reconciliation* and *First Holy Communion* for those students in public school, and those who have entered the Catholic school system after grade 2. For details, call: **Fr. Elias**, 416-261-0076.

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. At the 5.00 pm Mass on

26 October 2019

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**. You may sponsor one Bible for a donation of \$25. For more information on how you can help, call: **Fr. Edwin**, 416-261-0076.

Parish Attendance Count 13 & 20 October

At all Sunday Masses on 13 & 20 October, volunteers will conduct our annual *Attendance Count*. This is a requirement of our Archdiocese for its planning and reporting purposes. The count is simply a manual tally of all those arriving for our Masses.

ShareLife Bake Sale: 20 October

Join us on Saturday and Sunday, 19 & 20 October, for our **ShareLife BAKE SALE** in the Vestibule. We will be selling delicious treats for the entire family. All proceeds from the Sale will go towards our 2020 *ShareLife* Campaign.

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.

Our 2019 Altar Server Award candidates:

Mark Joseph Alconcel

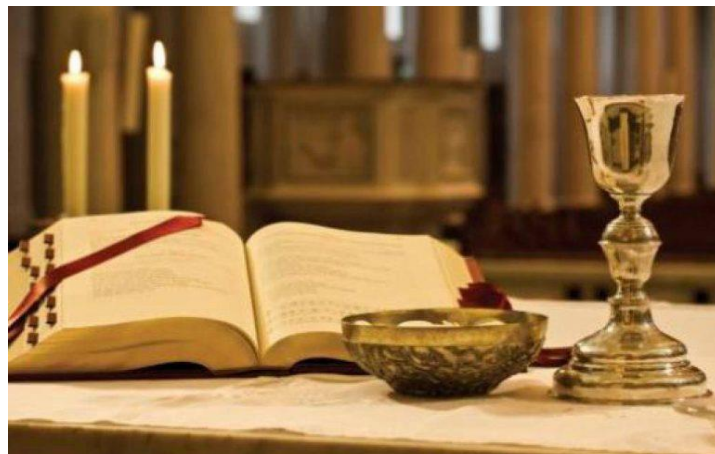
Lochchana Mathuranayagam

Any Servers who would like to attend this Mass are asked to add their names to the *Awards Mass Sign Up* sheet in the Sacristy.

Fall Training Series

Resumes 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 resume at 9.00 am on Saturday, 26 October. Applicants must be members of registered parish families, and have made their 1st Communion.



Christians in the Holy Land

"Holy Land Christians" is a group whose mission is to support the presence of Christian families in the Holy Land. The organisation consists of teams who travel to churches throughout Ontario, Quebec and the USA. They have accomplished a great deal since the start of our project by simultaneously stimulating both the North America and Holy Land economies. If you would like to listen to their presentations, they will be at:

St. Dunstan Church, 26-27 October

St. Rose of Lima Church, 2-3 November

"It takes *three* to make love, not two: *you, your spouse, and God*. Without God people only succeed in bringing out the worst in one another. Lovers who have nothing else to do but love each other soon find out that there is nothing else. Without a central loyalty, life is unfinished."

- **Fulton J. Sheen**, *Seven Words of Jesus and Mary*



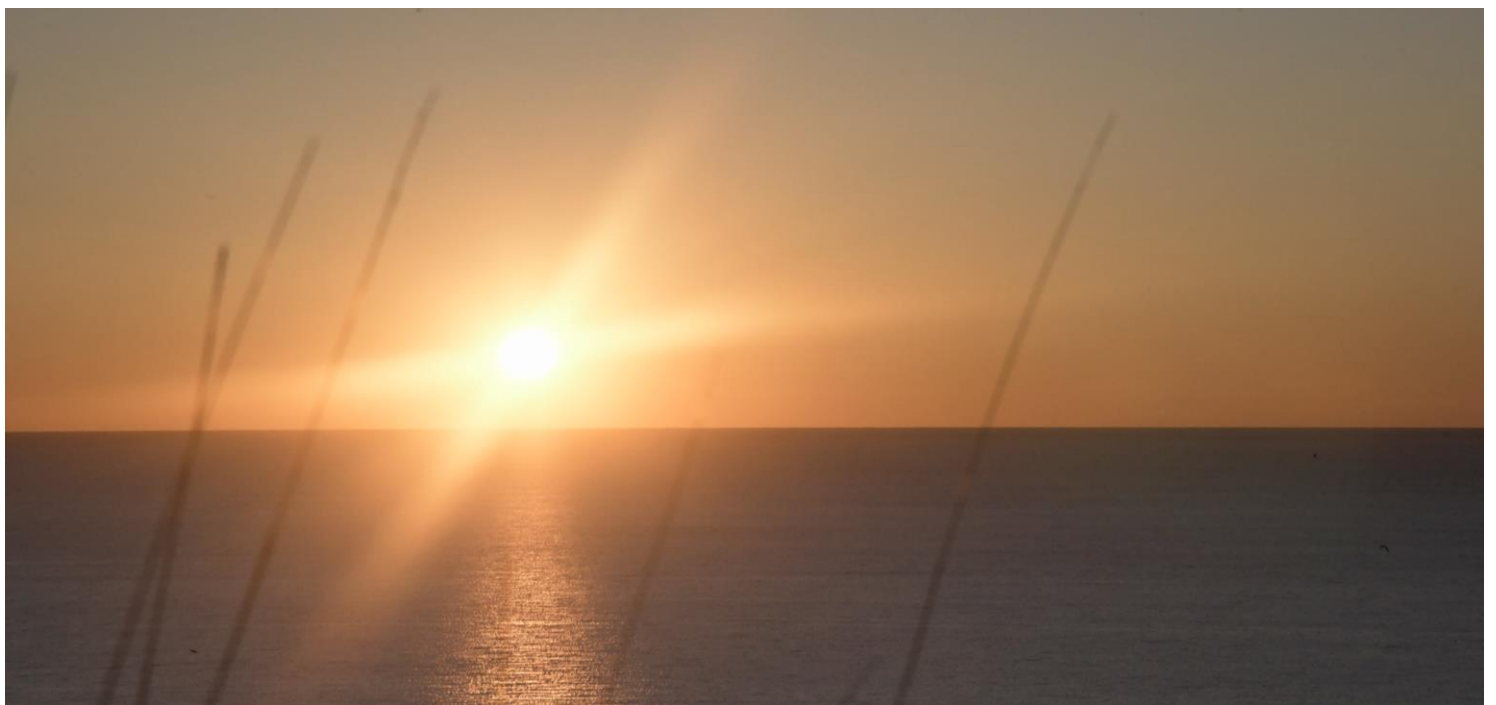
Lectors' Social, 21 September 2019





[Above:] **Stachia Adman-Reid** and **Kahmesha Henry** receive their Certificates of Initiation at their *RCIA Commissioning Rite*, 21 September 2019.

[Below:] An inspiring sunrise over Lake Ontario in the late Summer. Thank God for the beauty of Creation.
[Photo by **Lorenzo Berardinetti**]





Mar Jose Kalluvelil
Bishop of Mississauga



Mar Andrews Thazhath
Archbishop of Thrissur



Mar Raphael Thattil
Bishop of Shamshabad



Fr Saju Elanjiyil
Sehion Ministry



Dr Mario Joseph
Philokalia Ministry



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BIBLE CONVENTION 2019

Payal Banquet Hall
3410 Semenyk Ct, Mississauga
ON L5C 4P8

2019 OCTOBER
18, 19 & 20

For registration, please visit
<https://ephphatha.herokuapp.com>

Limited Seats Only

For more information, please contact

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2,000 Hail Mary Devotion

Many thanks to all who joined the devotees of the 2,000 Hail Mary Devotion in our powerful Day of Prayer and Renewal on 5 October.

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.

The 2,000 Hail Mary Devotion will next be held in our neighbourhood at **Precious Blood Parish** on Saturday, 26 October, from 7 am to 5 pm.





Cops with a sense of humour

Those Southerners have a way with words!

These are actual comments made by South Carolina Troopers, taken off their car videos:

1. "You know, stop lights don't come any redder than the one you just went through."
2. "Relax, the handcuffs are tight because they're new. They'll stretch after you wear them a while."
3. "If you take your hands off the car, I'll make your birth certificate a worthless document." (My Favorite)
4. "Don't run ! If you do, you'll only go to jail tired."
5. "Can you run more than 1200 feet a second? Because that's the speed of the bullet that'll be chasing you."
6. "You don't know how fast you were going? Guess it means I can write anything I want on the ticket, huh?"
7. "Yes, sir, you can talk to the shift supervisor, as you wish. Oh, did I mention that I'm the shift supervisor?"
8. "Warning! You want a warning? O.K, I'm warning you: Don't do that again or I'll give you another ticket."
9. "The answer to this question will decide whether you are drunk or not. Was Mickey Mouse a cat or a dog?"
10. "Fair? You want me to be fair? Listen, *Fair* is a place where you go to ride on rides, eat cotton candy and corn dogs, and step in monkey poop."
11. "Yeah, we have a quota. Two more tickets and my wife gets a toaster oven."
12. "In God we trust; all others have to show photo I.D."
13. "Just how big were those 'two beers' you say you had?"
14. "No sir, we don't have quotas anymore. We used to, but now we can write as many tickets as we can."
15. "I'm glad to hear that the Chief (of Police) is a personal friend of yours. So you know someone who can post your bail."
16. "You didn't think we give pretty women tickets? You're right, we don't. Sign here."

Heard in the Courtroom

Attorney: This myasthenia gravis, does it affect your memory at all?

Witness: Yes.

Attorney: In what ways does it affect your memory?

Witness: I forget.

Attorney: You forget? Can you give us an example of something you forgot?

Attorney: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?

Witness: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

Attorney: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

Witness: He said, 'Where am I, Cathy?'

Attorney: And why did that upset you?

Witness: My name is Susan!

Attorney: Do you know if your daughter has ever been involved in voodoo?

Witness: We both do.

Attorney: Voodoo?

Witness: We do.

Attorney: You do?

Witness: Yes, voodoo.

Attorney: Doctor, is it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until next morning?

Witness: Did you actually pass the bar exam?

Attorney: The youngest son, the 20-year-old, how old is he?

Witness: He's twenty, much like your IQ.

Attorney: She had three children, right?

Witness: Yes.

Attorney: How many were boys?

Witness: None.

Attorney: Were there any girls?

Witness: Your Honour, I think I need a different attorney. Can I get a new attorney?

Attorney: How was your first marriage terminated?

Witness: By death.

Attorney: And by whose death was it terminated?

Witness: Take a guess.

Attorney: Can you describe the individual?

Witness: He was middle-aged, about medium height and had a beard.

Attorney: Was this a male or a female?

Witness: Unless the circus was in town, I'm going with male.

Attorney: Is your appearance here this morning pursuant to a deposition notice which I sent to your attorney?

Witness: No, this is how I dress when I go to work.

Attorney: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?

Witness: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

Attorney: All your responses MUST be oral, OK? Now, what school did you attend?

Witness: Oral.

Attorney: Do you recall the time that you examined Mr. Denton's body?

Witness: The autopsy started around 8:30 p.m.

Attorney: And Mr. Denton was dead at the time?

Attorney: If not, he was by the time I finished.