

## Parish Week / Sunday, 8 August 2021

### Saturday, 7 Aug. / St. Sixtus II, pope & Companions, martyrs

- 8.00 am Mass: † Felicisima & Joseph Turiano (Gina Arroyo)  
10.00 am Funeral Mass – Steven MacNeil  
2.00 pm Memorial Mass – Telesfora Sanchez Prysbranowski  
5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas  
(Vincent Ambrose & family)

### SUNDAY, 8 AUG. / 19-B

#### ■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

- 9.00 am Mass: † Charles D'Silva (family)  
10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto & Lydia Rodas (family)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Corrado Vindigni (Carmelo & Edna)  
1.30 pm Infant Baptisms  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Mon., 9 Aug. / St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (virgin & martyr)

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Conversion Joseph, Mary, Alex, Bonnie  
and John Cheng (Paul)  
7.00 pm Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)

### Tuesday, 10 Aug. St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
Louise & Peter Rebello (Anita & Robert Taylor)  
10.00 am Memorial Mass: † Xavier Turiano

### Wednesday, 11 Aug. / St. Clare, virgin

- 8.00 am Mass: † George, Marguerite & Jawhara Chachati  
(Tessie Mendonca)

### Thursday, 12 Aug. / St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious

- 8.00 am Mass: † Paul & Mary, Ellis Galea (Tessie Mendonca)

### Fri., 13 Aug. / Ss. Pontian, pope & Hippolytus, priest, martyrs

- 8.00 am Mass: † Baltazar, Philip & Maria Aninha Mendonca  
(Tessie)

### Saturday, 14 Aug. / St. Maximilian Kolbe, priest & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Shirley Rea (Dino Aseo & family)  
12.30 pm Memorial Mass: † Mervyn & Delicia Rajapakse  
5.00 pm Mass: † Christa, Fred & Robert Eisenblaetter  
(Caroline Lerma)

### SUNDAY, 15 AUG. / ASSUMPTION OF MARY

#### ■ Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

#### ■ 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Canadian Missions

- 9.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (Caroline)  
10.30 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (D'Souza family)  
12.00 pm Mass: † Michael D'Mello (Esme)  
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Prayer to St. Michael

*Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*



## Focus on the Word

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

1 Kings 19.4-8; Ephesians 4.30-5.2; John 6.41-51

*Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, so that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Amen.*

## Pray for the Deceased

### Ramon Villareal

The 100 victims of the volcanic eruption in Congo



## 15 August: Feast of the Assumption

Parishioners may be interested to know that this year, a major liturgical feast falls on Sunday, 15 August: the *Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This Feast takes precedence over an *Ordinary Time* Sunday. Our liturgical ministers, especially our Lectors, should note that it is not the “20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.” Please prepare for the correct Readings.

## Sow a Dream

To sow a dream and see it spread and grow,  
To light a lamp and watch its brightness glow,  
This is a gift that is divine, I know;  
To give a child a dream. *Anne Campbell*



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: 15 August, Canadian Missions

On 15 August, the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection is for the *Canadian Missions Collection*. CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA was established in 1908, to provide support to Catholic missionaries - priests, sisters, brothers & lay people – who dedicate their lives to proclaim the Gospel throughout regions of need in Canada, and among our Indigenous, First Nations, Metis and Inuit brothers and sisters.

## COMING UP

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- 21 Aug. Wedding: John Aloaniilla – Gayle Baylon (1:00 pm)  
28 Aug. Wedding: Raphael Santiago – Mary Parayno (1:00 pm)  
29 Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance**
- 4 Sept. Wedding: Santos – Clavesillas (1:00 pm)  
6 Sept. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)  
12 Sept. Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)  
19 Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Bishops**  
26 Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance**
- 3 Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **ShareLife**  
4 Oct. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)

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

We are currently celebrating our Masses with a 127-person capacity limit on attendance, and all must wear a face mask. It is no longer mandatory to sanitize hands as you enter the Church; but it is recommended and available for those who wish.

## RCIA, RCIC



*Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children*

The RCIA meets on Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; their next meetings are on 6 and 20 August. The RCIC meets on Saturday mornings; their next meeting is on 7 August.

### *Residential Schools*

The RCIA has begun a study series on the history of Residential Schools in Canada. Documents provided from public records, the Archdiocese and archival sources are reviewed in light of the current interest in advancing the Reconciliation effort.

Parishioners are welcome to participate; however, due to the pandemic guidelines, it is necessary to register so that the number attending may be tracked.

The next meetings will be held at 7.30 pm on 6 and 20 August. If you wish to take part, please send an email message to: [stmariagoretti@rogers.com](mailto:stmariagoretti@rogers.com), and be sure to including the **names** of those wanting to participate, and a **telephone number** to allow for quick contact.

### *A Special Gift* PETER HERZOG funeral

Our Parish extends its thanks to the family of **Peter Herzog**, who died on 29 June, for donating to our Church the beautiful flowers from his funeral on 5 July. Your kind gift was greatly appreciated. May he Rest in Peace.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Confirmation

Many thanks to all who assisted in the celebrations of the Sacraments of 1<sup>st</sup> HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION in June and July. These are vital events in the lives of our Youth.

Students *who will be starting Grades 3 and 8*, who should have received their Sacraments this past Easter Season, will be provided their appropriate Liturgies after School resumes in September.

We will also work with the Schools to ensure that any students who were not able to participate in these Sacraments due to family or scheduling issues, will be provided with *Make Up* dates so that they are not overlooked.

## Stewards of the Church

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.



As Stewards of God's gifts we cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. The New Covenant in and through Christ forms a community – the Body of Christ. The Unity of this people is itself a precious good to be cherished, preserved and built up by the livers of love. We are obliged to be Stewards of the Church – to be collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ – which is the mission of the Church.

## The Sacrament of Baptism

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

11 July

**Elizabeth Rose Wai Man Lam**  
**Franco Jose Marquez**  
**Nathaniel Graydan D. Medrano**  
**Naya Adoracion Prodigalidad**  
**Mallory Donna Wanda Jaslyn West**

17 July

**Zachary Seth Cablarda**  
**Aiden John Maala**  
**Kobe Raphael Migalbin**

18 July

**Robiq Charles Abaga**  
**Alyaanah Pauleen Ambuyoc**  
**Jorell Wade G. Benito**  
**Christian Carter Vanvield**

24 July

**Avelene Fae Melaya Ablog**  
**Madeline Banga**  
**Clementine Blythe C. Ramos**

31 July

**Gabriel Ray Villardo**  
**Gabriel Bolido Vitug**

## Upcoming Weddings

**Raphael Santiago and Mary Parayno**  
*28 August 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church*

**Kevin Santos and Julianne Clavesillas**  
*4 September 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church*

**Alfred Kattan and Julianna Valente**  
*25 September 2021, St. Maria Goretti Church*



*Alfred and Julianna make sure the garden gets going in the Spring.*

# Church Etiquette

## Proper Attire for Women

Submitted by *Anita Silla*

*Thank you* for your presence here at St. Maria Goretti Church. In order to make our weekly celebrations more conducive to prayer and to preserve the sacredness of our liturgies, the following are gentle reminders of simple Church etiquette.

*Please wear attire that is fitting for a Holy Place. The rules stated by the Vatican for ladies, misses and little girls are:*

- No transparent tissues and tight-fitting cuts;
- Wear a dress, not trousers;
- Skirt should cover the knees, seated or standing;
- Low-necked dresses not lower than two finger's breadth below the base of the neck;
- Sleeves reaching at least the elbow.



# Stage 3 Pandemic procedures

## Ongoing Measures

Regarding spiritual services and activities, physical distancing of two metres (6 feet) remains at this time unless members are from the same household.

By-laws remain in place requiring the use of a face mask in public spaces indoors.

A cantor may sing at Mass as long as the cantor is a minimum of three metres (ten feet) distant from anyone else.

Communion procedures are unchanged despite the lessening of restrictions in other areas. Both the person distributing communion and the communicant must be fully masked. We anticipate a return to communion on the tongue shortly but at present, communion is to be distributed in the hand.

*The Sign of Peace:* A simple bow of the head toward one's neighbour may be offered in lieu of the shaking of hands.

*Holy Water* fonts at the entrances should not be filled yet.

The preference continues that confessions should be heard outside of the Confessional to allow for proper distancing.

Parishes should ensure they have the ability to communicate with parishioners should there be a positive COVID-19 case in their community. Sign-in sheets with contact information should be used.

## Relaxed Measures

**NEW** - Baptisms of more than one child outside of Mass are permitted. The presider must bless the holy water in a vessel that can be poured on the candidate's head.

**NEW** - Pews, washrooms, confessionals, reconciliation rooms are to be cleaned in accordance with routines prior to Covid-19 restrictions.

**NEW** - Missals and prayer books may be replaced in pews. Please do not return hymnals to pews at this time as congregational singing is not yet permitted.

**NEW** - Bulletins, envelopes, pamphlets, and newspapers may again be distributed as per pre- COVID-19 practices.

**NEW** - Collections may again be taken up using baskets in the traditional fashion. All Ushers involved in the collection should ensure that they wear masks while undertaking this task and make every effort to ensure physical distancing of two metres (six feet).

**NEW** - Hand Sanitizing – it is no longer mandatory for all entering a Church to use hand sanitizer. Clergy and Ministers of Communion should continue to use hand sanitizers before and after the distribution of the Eucharist.

**NEW** - Altar servers may resume serving on the altar (wearing masks) and maintaining two metres (six feet) distance between each other and the priest as much as possible. Altar servers from the same household do not need to maintain physical distancing.

**NEW** - Children's liturgies may resume where appropriate.



### Miami Beach Parish serves as a Refuge

A Miami Beach parish provides a spiritual presence in the aftermath of the collapse of the Champlain Tower condo. **St. Joseph Catholic Church** has opened its doors to those who are grieving, welcoming Catholics and non-Catholics, as well as fire rescue personnel and journalists, for a series of prayer meetings

St. Joseph Church in Miami Beach is less than a mile from the Champlain Towers building in Surfside that collapsed on 24 June, killing over 100 people. Fr. Juan Sosa, pastor of the parish since 2010, said that they lost at least 20-25 parishioners, and the community is reeling. He said, "My role is to be a channel of communication, to be the presence of the Catholic Church in the midst of this tragedy. I am trying to take care of the church and to be as available as I can."





Calgary, Alberta



Tennis match on the helipad at the Burj Al Arab hotel, Dubai.



CN Tower during a lighting storm.



QAnon Shaman **Jacob Chansley**.



Lord, bless our vehicles.

