Parish Week / Sunday, 14 Nov. 2021

Saturday, 13 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † All Souls in Purgatory (Mercedes)
- 11.30 am RCIA Initiation Mass
- 2.30 pm St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communion Mass, #4
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Shoba Ryan (friends)

SUNDAY, 14 NOV. / 33 - B

- Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea
- 2nd Collection: Shepherds' Trust
- 9.00 am Mass: † Olga & John Pereira (family)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Frank & Joan DeVerno (Pamela)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Michael D'Mello (Esme)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

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

- 8.00 am Mass: † Luisito Santacruz (family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Apolonia Baclig (Vinah Garcia)

Tuesday, 16 Nov. / St. Margaret of Scotland

- 8.00 am Mass: † Wijayatnam Jeevanatnam (family)
- 6.00 pm St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communion Mass, #5
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Milfred Marcos (Kempis family)

Wednesday, 17 Nov. / St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

- Anniversary of Fr. Edwin's family's arrival in Canada (1957)
- 8.00 am Mass: Int. In Honour of Blessed Mother (Josephine Gomes)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Wijayatnam Jeevanatnam (family)

Thurs. 18 Nov. / Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter & Paul

- 8.00 am Mass: † Raymunda & Elizabeth Magallans (Maria Christina) 7.00 pm Mass: † Sarah Perera (family)

Friday, 19 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Simeona Trinidad (family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Aloysius Bastiampillai (family)
- 7.30 pm RCIA Adult meeting

Saturday, 20 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Abraham Garcia (Vinah)
- 10.00 am RCIC Youth meeting
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Birthday (Gina Arroya)

SUNDAY, 21 NOV. / Christ The King

■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

- 9.00 am Mass: † Dennis Williams (Babes Macalinao) 10.30 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Wedding Anniversary, Louis's Birthday (Sandra & Louis Gomes-Pereira) 12.00 pm Mass: † Arturo & Jesus Serneo (Helen)
- 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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B Daniel 12.1-3; Hebrews 10.11-18; Mark 13.24-32

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Purita Alambra, Michael Hickey, Anthony Joseph Anthonipillai, Fr. Kazimieras Kaknevicius, Joe Picarello, Gaudioso Lim Perez Jr.

The 194 victims of the Summer heat wave in the Western USA



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.

2nd Collection

14 November, Shepherds' Trust

The 2nd collection on 14 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, 10 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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28 Nov.	1 st Sunday of Advent; - 2 nd Collection: Maintenance;
29 Nov.	Fr. Edwin, Ordination Anniversary (1980)
4 Dec. 5 Dec.	Memorial Mass: † Vito Corrado (12:00 pm) Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
8 Dec.	Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary; - Advent Day of Confessions
12 Dec.	Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)
19 Dec.	4 th Sunday of Advent
22 Dec.	- Fr. Armand Joseph Desaulniers, death anniversary (1988)

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We are celebrating our Masses with 2-pew spacing, and all must wear a face mask. It is not mandatory to sanitize hands, but it is recommended and available for those who wish.

Sacramental Preparation Moving forward

We have resumed our celebrations of 1st HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION, which are extremely important events in the lives of our Youth.

The families of Candidates in our schools who have prepared to receive these Sacraments will be given direction so they can move ahead. Keep referring to the **website bulletin** for more details.

The reamaing St. Maria Goretti School 1st Communions will be:

Saturday	13 November	2.30 pm
Tuesday	16 November	6.00 pm

As soon as this schedule is completed, we will proceed to take care of all the **Confirmation** candidates.



The *RCIC Youth* have a special Baptism Mass on 13 November, Their next general meeting will be at 10 am on Saturday, 20 November.

Saturday Class

Madame **Beatriz Yamal** will begin preparation for the Sacraments of *Reconciliation* and *1*st *Holy Communion* for students not in our Parish schools. To register, call: **Fr. Elias**, 416-261-0076.

RCIA, RCIC



Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children

The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; their next meeting is on 19 November. The RCIC meets Saturday mornings; their next meeting is on 20 November.

Stewardship

2022 Sunday Envelopes Parishioners are invited to pick up their 2022 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 parish.

Pick up your own box

Ensure that you have your own box: *the number on the label and on the envelopes* must be identical. If you notice any discrepancy, advise the parish office right away. If you use someone else's envelopes, your donation would be credited to the other person.

Donation amounts

Please ensure that the *donation amount* is written in the space provided on the front of the envelope.

Wait until New Year

Kindly wait until 1 January 2022 to begin using your new envelopes. If you misplaced your box for the current year, visit the Office after any Sunday morning Mass and we will look after you.

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, 20 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."

Advent Wreath Lighters

Would you like to be an Advent Wreath candle lighter? This is a wonderful way to involve your family in the spirit of this wonderful season, and assist your fellow parishioners in our common worship and praise of the Father. See the sign-up list on the Vestibule bulletin board.



Upcoming Weddings

Jefferson and Richein 22 April 2022 Abe Sena and Jan Wage

16 July 2022



Madona Alphonse and his bride Mirushiya at their Wedding in Sri Lanka, 6 June 2021

The Mass



INTRODUCTORY RITE

The Introductory Rite calls the assembly together as a worshiping community. We prepare to: listen to the Liturgy of the Word, and to celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Entrance Procession: The Mass opens with a procession to the Altar. It introduces the Priest and the ministers to the assembly and is a visual sign of a community gathered in faith. We stand and sing a song of praise.

Greeting: The presiding Priest venerates the altar, and greets the assembly from the Chair, beginning with the Sign of the Cross, the sign of our faith. He says, "The Lord be with you." We answer, "AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT."

Penitential Rite: Reflecting on the all-embracing mercy of God, we say a prayer called the *Confiteor*, or "I confess." We admit to God and to others that we are sinners. Then in the *Kyrie* ("Lord have mercy") we ask for forgiveness.

Gloria: We sing the *Gloria*, the song the angels sang the night Jesus was born. The first line in the song is "Glory to God in the highest."

Collect: With the words "Let us pray," the Priest invites the assembly to observe a brief silence to realize that they are in God's presence. The Priest "collects" their needs and offers them to God the Father through Christ, in the Holy Spirit. All present join by acclaiming, "AMEN."

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: The Lector proclaims this reading, usually taken from the Old Testament. At the end, the Lector says, "The Word of the Lord." We answer, "THANKS BE TO GOD."

Psalm: The Cantor leads as we praise God.

Second Reading: This reading is usually taken from one of the *Epistles* (Letters) of the New Testament, often a letter from St. Paul; or it may come from the Acts of the Apostles.

Gospel: While the Gospel book is carried from the Altar to the Pulpit, we sing the word *Alleluia*, which means "Praise God." Before reading the Gospel, the Priest or Deacon says, "A reading from the Holy Gospel according to...." We answer, "GLORY TO YOU, O LORD." The Priest or Deacon reads from one of the four Gospels, according to Matthew, Mark, Luke or John. The reading ends with, "The Gospel of the Lord." We answer, "PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST." In his *Homily*, the Priest or Deacon helps us to understand how the Gospel guides our lives.

Creed: In this prayer, which is a summary of the key elements of our faith, we proclaim what we believe about God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – and His Holy Church.

Intercessions: In the *Prayer of the Faithful*, we intercede for others by asking God for things that people need.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Procession of Gifts: Greeters collect offerings to support the Church in proclaiming the Gospel; Candidates for 1st Communion & Confirmation prepare their prayer slips; and the gifts for the Altar are presented: the Bread and Wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist.

Eucharistic Prayer: The Priest begins this long prayer, in which he thanks God for the gift of His Son, Jesus, who gave his life to save us.

Sanctus: After the first part of the Prayer, the *Preface*, we sing the *Sanctus*: "HOLY, HOLY, LORD, GOD OF HOSTS. HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY..."

Last Supper Narrative: The Priest says the words that Jesus used at the Last Supper. The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ.

Memorial Acclamation: We say what we believe about Jesus Christ. We say, "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, AND PROFESS YOUR RESURRECTION, UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN."

Doxology, Great Amen: The Priest says the *Doxology* at the end of the *Eucharistic Prayer*, a summary of our praise. The faithful reply "AMEN," meaning, "Yes, we agree."

Lord's Prayer: We pray the *Our Father*, which Jesus taught the Apostles when they asked him how to pray; it is truly a summary of the whole Gospel. To show our care for others, we then exchange a simple *Sign of Peace*.

Breaking of Bread: The Priest re-enacts the gesture of Christ at the Last Supper, and invites the assembly to share in the Eucharist, becoming one body in Christ. They sing or recite the *Agnus Dei* ("Lamb of God"). The Priest holds up a host and says the words used by John the Baptist, "Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Jesus is our *sacrifice* who *takes away the sins of the world*.

Communion: The Priest eats and drinks the Body and Blood of Christ. The faithful approach the communion stations, and receive the Body of Christ. The Priest or Eucharistic Minister says to each communicant, "The Body of Christ." The communicant answers, "AMEN."

CONCLUDING RITE

The Priest invites the assembly to go forth and to honour God and serve one another in the spirit of community.

Prayer after Communion: The closing prayer of Mass.

Announcements: Important developments in the life of the Parish community are identified, so that the assembly may be able to participate. This may include a *ShareLife* appeal; or a special event hosted by a parish ministry.

Blessing and Dismissal: The Priest blesses the assembly and sends it out into the world to do the work of Christ and share the Good News of our salvation. He says "Go forth, the Mass is ended." We answer, "THANKS BE TO GOD."

Celebrating the grace and peace of **Reconciliation**

God is Always Ready to Forgive You

Jesus teaches that when we have sinned, we should always return to God our Father because God never stops loving us. Many times during his life, Jesus forgave people who had sinned. He asked them to return to God's Law of Love.

Jesus was very kind to sinners. He welcomed them with so much love that many people were very surprised. God our Father acts in the same way with us. God even gives us a special sign of forgiveness. It is the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**.

GOD GIVES YOU PEACE

Everyone wants to be happy and get along with others. We all like to feel peaceful and happy. That's what God wants for us, too. This is God's



great dream, the dream that Jesus came to tell us about: "Stay close to God and God's plan for you, and you will have peace and joy in your life."

But sometimes things happen and we turn away from God's love. Whether we are children or grown-ups, we may do or say things to others that cause them pain.

- We cheat or we lie.
- ▶ We disobey our parents or teachers.
- ▶ We hurt other people's feelings.

To say this in another way, we choose to sin.

God Invites You To Change

It's true. We all do bad things sometimes and we need to be forgiven. Think of a time when someone you love forgave you.

God forgives us with love when we are truly sorry for our sins. He wants us to change the way we treat others.

GOD ALWAYS GUIDES YOU

Did you know? God has placed a small voice inside you that helps you know what is right or wrong. This voice is called your **Conscience**. In the Bible, God gives us rules that help your conscience to make good choices. These are called the Ten Commandments. You can learn them.

The Ten Commandments

- 1. Love God with all your heart. You shall honor no other God but me.
- 2. Do not curse or swear. You shall not take the name of the Lord in vain.
- 3. Remember that Sunday is a holy day. Remember to keep holy the Sabbath.
- 4. Love and respect your parents. Honour your father and mother.
- 5. Do not kill another person. You shall not kill.
- 6. Be a good and faithful husband / wife. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. Do not steal from others. You shall not steal.
- 8. Do not tell lies. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- 9. Do not be jealous of other families. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
- 10. Respect your neighbor and all that is theirs. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.





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 submit the names of deceased family members for use in our November Book of Remembrance, in front of the pulpit.

Due to the pandemic, we will follow the procedure created last year by the Parish Re-opening Committee. Parishioners may submit names via email. The email address created by the Committee specifically for the November book is:

mariagorettichurch@gmail.com

Parishioners who would rather write their names on paper may place their page in an envelope, and leave it at the Parish Office. Our staff will add it to the Book.

In Flanders Fields

In Handers fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, your on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.



Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan, 2018



Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to you do I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Prayer for the Unborn

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of (baby's name), the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.





hands after the RCIC meeting, 6 Nov. Their 4th birthday was on 5 November.









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