



Focus on the Word

Christ the King Sunday, Year B Daniel 7.13-14; Revelation 1.5-8; John 18.33-37

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Teresita Panano, Richard Sodoski
The **46** victims of the
apartment building fire in Taiwan



Parish Week / Sunday, 21 Nov. 2021

Saturday, 20 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Abraham Garcia (Vinah)
- 10.00 am RCIC
- 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

Monday, 22 Nov. / St. Cecilia, virgin & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Victoria & Alfred Algaratnam (family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Rudolf D'Mello (Loretta)

Tuesday, 23 Nov. / St. Clement I, pope & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Michele Pisciola (Irma)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Fr. Elias Chachati (Carol Morra)

Wed., 24 Nov. / St. Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & Companions, martyrs

- 8.00 am Mass: † Rosanna Ghorbel (Seng family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Int. Dana Mazare (Carol Morra)

Thurs. 25 Nov. / St. Catherine of Alexandria, virgin & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Frank Vresk (Logonia family)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Geronima Rasco-Puno (Portia Arriola)

Friday, 26 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Eduardo Villanueva (Cristeta)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Peter & Zita Fernandes (family)

Saturday, 27 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Rev. Vincent Heffernan (Carol Morra)
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Carol Morra

SUNDAY, 28 NOV. / Advent 1-C

■ *Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo*

■ *2nd Collection: Maintenance*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Zeca Almeida (Ondine)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto & Lydia Rodas (family)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Deceased CWL Members (CWL Council)
- 1.00 pm Catholic Women's League
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

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.

A New Liturgical Year

The current liturgical year, "A," ends with the week after the Feast of **Christ the King**, which this year is on:

21 November 2021.

The next Sunday is the **1st Sunday of Advent**;

28 November 2021.

It starts a new Liturgical Year, "C" in our 3-year cycle of readings.

The Sunday Gospels will be from the evangelist **Luke**.

COMING UP

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- 29 Nov. **Fr. Edwin**, Ordination Anniversary (1980)
- 5 Dec. 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. **4th Sunday of Advent**
- 22 Dec. **Fr. Armand Joseph Desaulniers**, death anniversary (1988)
- 24 Dec. **Christmas Eve Masses** begin at 7.00 pm
- 25 Dec. Christmas: Feast of the **Nativity of Our Lord**
- 2nd Collection: *Christmas*
- 26 Dec. Feast of the **Holy Family**;
- 2nd Collection: *Maintenance*

2022

- 1 Jan. The Solemn Feast of **Mary, Mother of God**

Website stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org

All must wear a face mask inside the Church. It is not mandatory to sanitize hands, but it is recommended and available for those who wish. For more information on Parish activities, such as the schedule of upcoming **Confirmation** celebrations, check pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

Sacramental Preparation

Moving forward

We have completed our celebrations of the 1st HOLY COMMUNION Masses for the Grade 3 students of St. Maria Goretti School. Next we will turn our attention to the Grade 8 students who are called to receive CONFIRMATION, which completes our Initiation in Christ.

As soon as this schedule has been finalized, we will post it on our website, publish it in this bulletin and include it in our Sunday Announcements. See the resources on pages 3-4.

A Special Gift FLOWERS, KATTAN-VALENTE WEDDING

Our Parish gratefully thanks the family of **Julianna Valente** and **Alfred Kattan**, who sponsored the *Altar Flowers* in our Church for their Wedding on 25 September, and the following two Sundays. Your kindness is sincerely appreciated.

Sunday Missals

The 2022 Sunday Missals are available at the Sign In table in the Vestibule after Sunday Mass, and at the Office on weekdays.

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*, near 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.

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.

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.

Donation amounts

Some new parishioners have missed the instruction to ensure that the *donation amount* should be written in the space provided on the front of the envelope. If this is not done, our financial advisors must stop to do so when the collection is counted, and this really slows down the process.

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

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 Day of Confessions

Wednesday, 8 December: 4-5 pm, 7.30-9 pm

As part of our ongoing program of spiritual growth, **Cardinal Collins** invites Catholics of the Archdiocese to receive the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* on a DAY OF CONFESSIONS in Advent.

In our parish, it will be on: **Wednesday, 8 December.**

Parishioners may come for Confession from 4.00 – 5.00 pm, and again following the 7.00 pm evening Mass, from 7.30 – 9.00 pm.

Upcoming Weddings

Jefferson and Richein

22 April 2022

Abe Sena and Jan Wage

16 July 2022



Gavin Moniz at the organ.

Confirmation Preparation Resource (1)

Strengthened by the Holy Spirit

The Promise of the Holy Spirit
in the Scripture Readings for
Christ the King Sunday.

1st Reading: Daniel 7.13-14

2nd Reading: Revelation 1.5-8

Gospel: John 18.33-37

*Jesus said, "For this I was born,
and for this I came into the world."*

As we approach the culmination of the YEAR OF WORSHIP in the great FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING, our Scripture readings remind us of the promise of the Holy Spirit that awaits the faithful disciples of Christ. For instance, in the Book of Revelation, Chapter 1, we hear the Lord say, "I am the Alpha and the Omega."

In the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC), we read:

"The *imposition of hands* is rightly recognized by the Catholic tradition as the origin of the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION, which in a certain way perpetuates the grace of Pentecost in the Church" (CCC 1288).

The profound Biblical roots of the Sacrament of Confirmation allow us to reflect on its significance in our own lives, 2,000 years later.

Similarly, The Second Vatican Council says that through "the Sacrament of Confirmation, [the Baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit" (*Lumen Gentium*, 11).



*"I will pour out My Spirit
on all flesh" Joel 2:28*

The Feast of Pentecost

With this in mind, there is comfort in knowing that through Confirmation, the Holy Spirit has strengthened us. In life, when it is difficult to persevere, or worries surrounding a pandemic or other trial weigh heavily, let us continually ask the Holy Spirit to carry us forward.

The Holy Spirit longs to dwell within all of us. Let us pray for courage among all the faithful. In particular, let us pray that the young people whose Confirmation has been postponed will have their desire for the Holy Spirit grow during this time of waiting.

To summarize: The New Testament clearly outline the Biblical roots of Confirmation, as believers received the Holy Spirit when the Apostles laid their hands on them. The Second Vatican Council said that those who receive the Sacrament "are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." When we find it difficult to persevere, or our worries weigh heavily on us, let us continually ask the Holy Spirit to carry us forward. In a special way, let us pray for the Candidates for Confirmation for whom the Sacrament has been postponed. May they grow in their desire to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, and may they practise courage during this time of waiting.

Confirmation

Guidelines for the Candidates for Confirmation in 2021, after the delay due to the pandemic

Our Parish is grateful to be able to celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for the St. Maria Goretti School Grade 8 students who should have received this Sacrament in the Easter Season this year, when they were in Grade 7.

The delay has made it necessary to modify some procedures.

(1) At this stage in the pandemic recovery, seating in the Church is limited by the 6-ft distancing protocol. Please respect the detailed directions you are given for your particular group regarding the number of participants you may invite.

(2) There will be NO CONFIRMATION GOWNS, so Candidates will need to wear “Sunday best,” which is formal or semi-formal attire. It is suggested that **Candidates** incorporate a significant *white component* to their attire (e.g., a white shirt, blouse, dress, etc.) as a reminder of the connection between Confirmation and Baptism. It is suggested that **Sponsors** avoid clothing with garish or bold colour patterns (stripes, logos, etc.), and stick to simple, neutral colours, so that the Candidates stand out in the assembly. For men: black/grey, navy or khaki tones; for women: black/grey/white, or pastels. In the future, the photos will tell everyone that the focus of the day was on the Sacrament received at the Altar.

(3) For most groups, there cannot be any REHEARSALS, so pay close attention to the directions given at Church. To maximize seating capacity, Candidates will sit with their families and Sponsor and will be called up to the Sanctuary one family at a time via the main aisle, similar to the way we receive Communion.

(4) The CONFIRMATION CARD which each Candidate presents to the Pastor at the time they receive the Sacrament, will have to be completed upon arrival at the Church, which will be open one hour before the Mass. Candidates should arrive 45 – 30 minutes before Mass to sign in, complete their Summary forms and Confirmation cards, and then take their place in the Church with their families.

(5) If a SPONSOR is unable to be present on the assigned day, they will need to be Proxied (represented) by an adult, Confirmed Catholic. There is a special Proxy form that will need to be filled out when the family arrives at Church.

(6) Most other GUIDELINES FOR THE LITURGY remain as usual. There is *no photography during Mass* (time for posed photos will be available afterward.) This year, families will have *permission to livestream* for relatives who cannot attend, on condition that the person managing the camera remains with the family: *In the pew* during Mass, and *up to the Sanctuary* at the time of the Sacrament.

The Sponsor

The Sponsor is a fully-initiated member of the Church who:

- ❖ Represents the community;
- ❖ Will support the parents;
- ❖ Testifies that the Candidate will be a witness for Christ.

The original Godparent may perform this duty; or another adult who serves as an example of Christian living.

The Name

The Confirmation Name is the Christian *Baptismal* name, or the name of another *Saint* who will serve as a lifelong patron and prayer partner to the newly-confirmed.

Effects of Confirmation

The purpose of the Sacrament is the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit, as it was given to the Apostles on Pentecost.

Confirmation has several important effects:

- (1) **It makes us more aware of God;**
- (2) **It releases the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit:** Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, Understanding, Courage, Piety and Reverence of the Lord.
- (3) **It unites us more firmly to Christ;**
- (4) **It binds us more perfectly to the Church;**
- (5) **It gives us strength to spread and defend the faith by our words and actions in order to:**
 - ✘ be true witnesses of Christ;
 - ✘ confess the name of Christ boldly;
 - ✘ never be ashamed of the Cross.

Confirmation perfects the grace of Baptism, and imprints a permanent, indelible mark on the Christian’s soul.

The Liturgy

Confirmation is ordinarily celebrated within the context of the Holy Mass. Following the Proclamation of the Word of God, the Sacrament is administered in this order:

Presentation of the Candidates

Homily

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

*Laying On of Hands*¹

*Anointing with Sacred Chrism*²

¹ LAYING ON OF HANDS: The Bishop faces the people and introduces the prayer. Then he (and any concelebrating Priests) extend their hands over the Candidates, and ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit upon them.

² ANOINTING WITH CHRISM: Candidates walk to the Sanctuary. The Bishop goes to them individually, takes some Chrism, addresses them by their Confirmation Name, and makes the Sign of the Cross on their foreheads.

Bishop: “ _____, be sealed with
the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

Newly Confirmed: “AMEN.”

Bishop: “Peace be with you.”

Newly Confirmed: “AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.”



Catholic Women's League

We, the members of The Catholic Women's League of St. Maria Goretti Parish, Scarborough, wish to thank you for helping those in our community.

We want you to know:

- G** how **grateful** we are
- R** how much we appreciate your **resilience** and **resourcefulness**
- A** how **amazing** and **awesome** you have been
- T** that giving of your **time** and **talents** is greatly appreciated
- I** what an **inspiration** your courage has been
- T** how **thankful** we are that you were able to serve others
- U** that we **understand** your sacrifices
- D** your **dedication** did not go unnoticed
- E** that your service to others during a pandemic is **exceptional!**

Anchored in faith, the blue butterfly a symbol of honor and joy; yellow flowers a symbol of abundance, survival and spiritual enlightenment. We honor your service, dedication and gracious spirit with sincere gratitude!

OUR MISSION

The CWLC is committed to faith development, upholding Christian values and education, the understanding of religious freedom, social justice, peace and harmony, the recognition of the human dignity of all people and the sanctity of life from conception until natural death.

The Shepherds' Trust

Many thanks to all Parishioners for your support of the SHEPHERDS' TRUST collection on 14 Nov. A special **Thank You card** will be distributed at all Masses this Sunday, 21 Nov.

The SHEPHERDS' TRUST supports the needs of the retired diocesan clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith. They have brought us the Sacraments and they enriched our Parishes, homes, schools, hospitals and countless other gatherings through their ministry.

The Trust was started by lay people who recognized the needs of our retired priests and helped to establish the Trust as a reflection of the gratitude and appreciation of the faithful parishioners in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Through your support of The SHEPHERDS' TRUST, our retired priests are given the dignity of adequate monthly allowance, health care and other assistance in their golden years – often well beyond the recognized retirement age of 75.

Parishioners of the Archdiocese have always responded with great generosity to the annual SHEPHERDS' TRUST fundraising campaign. As a result, the Trust is in a good long-term financial position. It continues to provide a modest income and health benefit to our retired clergy.

Here is some high-level information about The SHEPHERDS' TRUST for your interest:

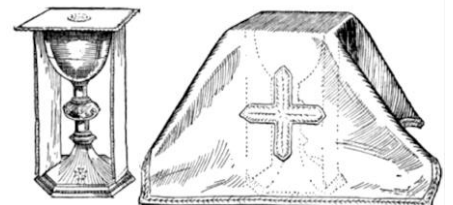
In 2020, the Trust generated \$6.7 million in receipts, down 35% from 2019.

During 2020, a total of \$3.3 million was paid to 100 retired priests consisting of monthly allowances, health care premiums and extended health care costs.

The investment portfolio of the Trust performed well in 2020, consistent with stock market performance and similar to many comparable investment funds. The market disruption caused by the onset of the pandemic hurt the portfolio's investment returns earlier in 2020, but these rebounded later in the year.

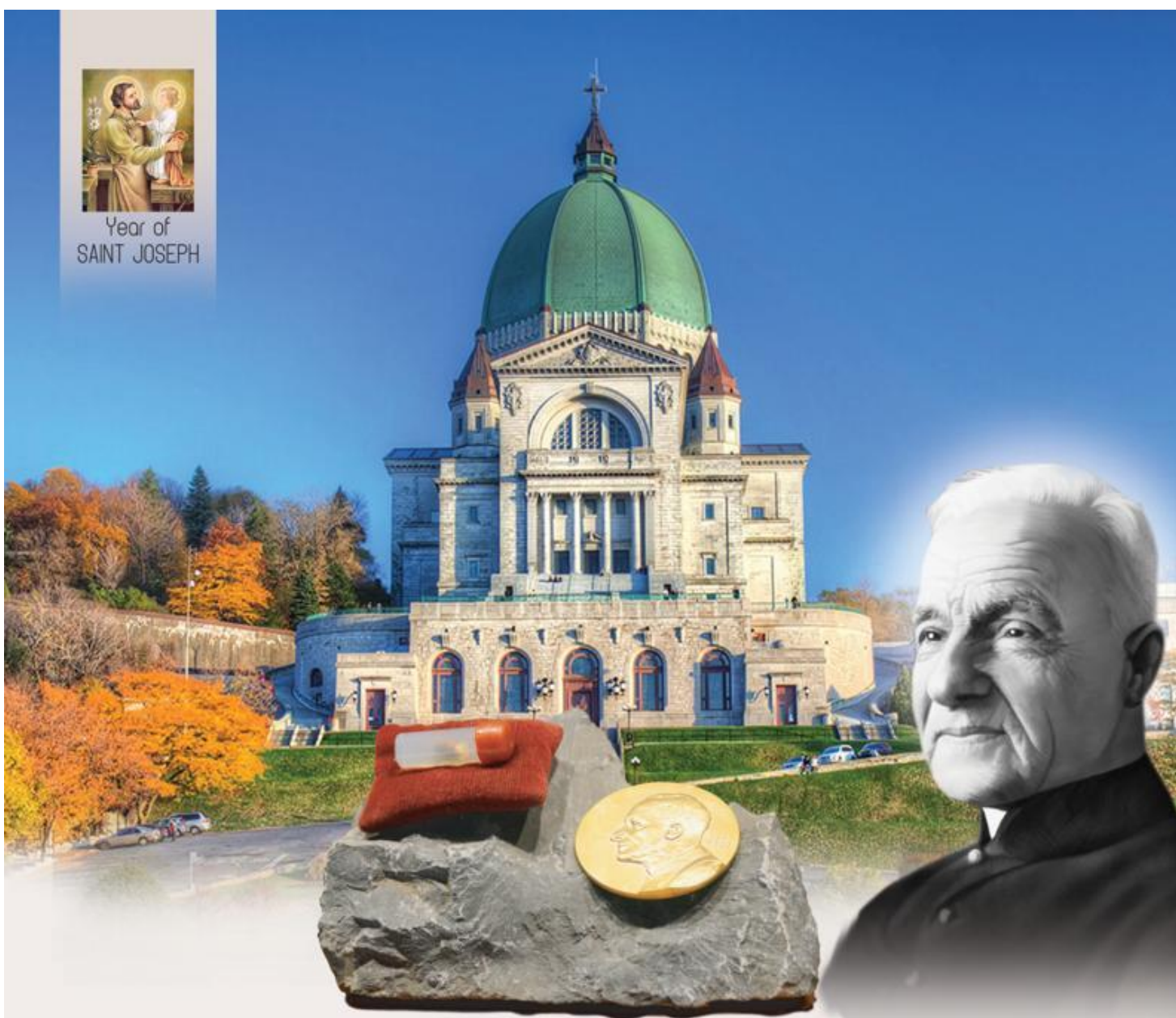
OUR MISSION

The mission of THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST is to provide elderly and disabled diocesan priests with the necessary resources to lead a dignified life after many years of active ministry.





Year of
SAINT JOSEPH



SAINT BROTHER ANDRÉ OF SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY COMES TO US SOON!!!

Celebrating **YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH**

Date : Monday, November 22, 2021
Time : 06.00 pm to 08.00 pm
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
3216, Lawrence Avenue East.,
Scarborough, Ontario M1H 1A4

Phone : (416) 438-6729
office@stroselimaparish.ca

PROGRAMME

- 06.30 pm : Adoration and Confessions
- 07.00 pm : Holy Mass
- 07.45 pm : Veneration of the Relic and Anointing with Oil of St. Joseph



William Shattner and crew, October 2021.



Dave points to the monolith, before returning to Earth in the 1968 film, 2001, A Space Odyssey.



Canadian artist **Jean Paul Riopelle**'s 5-meter-wide painting, *Point de Rencontre*, was gifted to France in 1989.



Iceland.