

Sunday, February 19, 2023



"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father." - Mt 5:43-45a

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 20, 2023

8:15 am: + + All Souls

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

8:15 am: + Arthur & Iris Pinto

7:00 pm: + Felicitas De Leon

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

8:15 am: + Aloyzy & Charlotte Borgiel

12:00pm: + Carmelo Tocci

7:00pm: In Thanksgiving for April Torre Franca

Thursday, February 23, 2023

8:15 am: Joseph Torre Franca (Birthday)

Friday, February 24, 2023

8:15 am: Marie Vincent and Repose of the Soul of Frances Vincent

7:00 pm: + Joseph Kochanski

+ Vincent Mui

+ Frank Walshe

+ Mariella Aloe

+ David & Daniella Goberdham & Family

Saturday, February 25, 2023

8:15 am: + Cirilo Jr. Arangate

5:00 pm: + For the Ambrozuk Family & Eugene Lepa

Sunday, February 26, 2023

8:30 am: + Sam Priolo

10:00 am: + St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth

12:00 pm: Susan Arangate & Cirilo Arangate Jr.

7:00 pm: John Lyall

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: **"But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you."** An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate? How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. "What is unusual about that?" asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him. When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, *while they were doing it*. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— Father John Muir

Ash Wednesday Mass Times

February 22, 2023

8:15am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

Ash Wednesday

Mass will be celebrated in the parish at 8:15am, 12:00pm and 7:00pm. Ashes will be distributed at all the Masses. Please remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all those who are 14 years and older, the law of fastings binds those who are 18-59 years of age.



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Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm

Sat: 9am-12pm, 3pm-6pm

Sun: 9am-1pm

Please Pray for the Sick...

Please pray for our parishioners, family and friends who have requested our prayers:

Alessia & Tony Commisso, Tina MacPherson, Damien Chaytor, Humberto Casimiro, Charmaine Menezes, Maria Bizzaro, Thomas Chircop, George Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Evelyn Cletus, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Wilfredo Ticzon, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Dianne Ouellette, Anna Iafrate, Doreen Micallef, John Kolozsvari, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Alvaro Interiano, Arlene Claricia, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Margarita Flores, Carlito Claricia, Virginia Torrefranca, Benedict de Castro, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey, Josie Timko, Pat Mooney, Joseph A. Torrefranca, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara



Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2023

Sat, March 4: 9:00 am to 5:30 pm

Metro Toronto Convention Centre

North Building, 255 Front Street West

A Grace-filled Day Celebrating God's Love with:

- * Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto
- * Ralph Martin
- * Chris Stefanick
- * Uplifting Music, Eucharistic Healing Procession
- * Confession and Holy Mass
- * Separate Youth Event with Debbie Herbeck & Pete Burak

For Tickets/Info, www.ljhr.ca, contact@ljhr.ca or Call Sadie at (905) 270-2510

2022 Tax Receipts

Please note that we have closed our books for 2022. Tax receipts for 2022 have been issued and mailed out last week. Thank you for your continuous support!

Lectors Needed

Readers are needed for the 7:00pm Mass. If you are interested, please visit the parish office to complete a registration form. Once completed, you will be contacted by the Parish Lector Coordinator, David. Thank you!

St. Patrick's Online Prayer Group meets every Monday evening at 7:00pm.

To subscribe to our email list, please visit our parish website or send us an email!

YOUTH MINISTRY

JOIN US FOR EDGE & ELEV8!

Join us Fridays at the Parish from 5pm to 6:30pm (doors open at 4:45pm):

Mar 3, Mar 24, Apr 14, Apr 28, May 26 & Jun 9

RSVP is encouraged through Eventbrite: <http://bit.ly/spygedge>

Scholarship to St. Michael's College

The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship to St. Michael's College. This scholarship is open to **any young woman who is of Catholic faith**, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has **indicated on her application to the University of Toronto that St. Michael's College is her first choice**. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Sciences in one of the following areas of study: Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences or Sciences.

The applications must be submitted by May 31, 2023. For further information, check the bulletin board or email stpatrickmis.cwl@gmail.com

Stations of the Cross

You're invited! Join us! Feb 24, Mar 3, Mar 10, Mar 17, Mar 24, Mar 31 and Apr 7.

Quiet moments of liturgical prayer, thoughtful meditation and silent reflection on Christ's journey to the cross. Praying through the stations of the cross is one way we can keep vigil with Christ during these holy days.

Traditionally, there are fourteen Stations of the Cross, most taken directly from Scripture and a few passed down in Christian tradition.

Below is the schedule of the different groups in our parish that will be praying the Stations of the Cross.

Please note all are held after 7:00 pm Mass, except for March 3rd, which will be at 6:00 pm.

- February 24th - Squires Youth Group
- March 3rd - Knights of Columbus (start 6:00pm)
- March 10th - St Vincent De Paul
- March 17th - Catholic Women League
- March 24th - St Patrick's Youth
- March 31st - Legion of Mary

Live the Liturgy

Inspiration for the Week

Want to be a real revolutionary? Defy the fallen impulses of human nature. Love your enemy. Pray for your persecutor. Give to those who would take. We can do hard things, Christians. We aren't perfect, but our God is.