Sunday, February 23, 2025



"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 24, 2025 8:15 am: + All Souls Tuesday, February 25, 2025 8:15 am: + Waclaw Barabasz 7:00 pm: + Anita & Eduardo Wenceslao Wednesday, February 26, 2025 8:15 am: + Kathleen Smith Thursday, February 27, 2025 8:15 am: + Stasia Aranha & Deceased Members of the Aranha Family Friday, February 28, 2025 8:15 am: Birthday Blessings for Marcos Harston 7:00 pm: + Dennis Dunstan + Angela Quadros Carneiro + Terence Aranha + Joan Christian Roger Christian (70th Birthday) + All Souls Saturday, March 1, 2025 8:15 am: + Katherine Ryes Rulloda 5:00 pm: + Rose Chong Sunday, March 2, 2025 8:30 am: St. Patrick's Parishioners 10:00 am: + Jennifer Nava & Andrei Jerome Villa 12:00 pm: + Armenia Fernandez 7:00 pm: + Peter Quyet



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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses. But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "Be merciful just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us. What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

Communion Breakfast



The St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus will be hosting our annual Communion Breakfast (Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Potato, Coffee & Tea) on

Sunday, March 2nd after the 8:30am, 10:00am and 12pm Masses. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Tickets will be available after all Masses.

CWL Lenten Retreat

St. Patrick's CWL Council invites all ladies to "A Morning of Ignatian Meditation and Prayer" on Saturday, March 22nd, 2025, after the 8:15am Mass until 12:00 noon. Coffee/Tea, Muffin will be served in the Hall, followed by a "Guided Meditation", facilitated by Questa K. Fernandes. No charge, but freewill offering is greatly appreciated for St. Vincent de Paul Society. Space is limited, pre-registration required. Please contact Andrea Tjioe email at a_tjioe@yahoo.com or text 416-525-3893. 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, Maria Bowman, Paul Celia, Alix Meikle, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Royston Guilford, Jacintha Fernandes, Anna Iafrate, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Fruto Relator, Virgina Torrefranca, Carole Bullock, Pat Mooney, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Lina Siconolfi, Andre Cartier, Nikola Brodar, Rita Pinto, Henryka Zebrowska, Therese Torrefranca, Benedict De Castro, Tessie Morales, Natalie Troughton, Michael Healey, Melissa Castillo, Marisa Castillo, Gladys Castillo, Teresa Kuervers, Teresa Marchese, Antonio Marchese, Wojtek Stanislawski

<u>Ash Wednesday</u>

Mass will be celebrated in the parish at on Wednesday, March 5 at 8:15 am, 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm. 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 fasting binds those who are 18-59 years of age.

EDGE Camp

Calling all youth in grades 6, 7 & 8! We are going to EDGE Camp this summer on August 24-28! Early bird registration opens on March 1st. Please contact Dave at <u>dguevarra@archtoronto.org</u> for more information!

That Man is YOU!

That Man Is You! addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husband and fathers. The weekly series continues **every Wednesday 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM** in the church Hall. All men are welcome.

<u>Jubilee Year 2025</u>

Pope Francis has designated 2025 as the Jubilee Year, an opportunity for renewed evangelization, prayer and service, drawing on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope". As part of the yearlong celebration, here are the pilgrimage churches for the Jubilee: **Archdiocesan:** St. Michael's Cathedral **Shrine:** Martyr's Shrine **Western Region:** Our Lady of Sorrows, Etobicoke St. Mary's Parish, Brampton For more information about Jubilee 2025 in the Archdiocese of Toronto visit:

www.archtoronto.org/jubilee

Seeking Families for Stations of the Cross, Fridays during Lent:

- March 7: At 6:15 PM Before Mass
- March 14: Following the 7:00 PM Mass
- March 21: Following the 7:00 PM Mass
- March 28: Following the 7:00 PM Mass
- April 4: At 6:15 PM Before Mass
- April 11: Following the 7:00 PM Mass

Are you and your family looking for a meaningful way to observe Lent? We are seeking families to participate in leading the Stations of the Cross during Lent. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to come together, deepen their faith, and share their gifts with the parish community. If your family is interested in leading one or more of the Stations of the Cross, please contact the office at 905-270-2301. We look forward to your participation!

<u>Lift Jesus Higher Rally</u>

We are pleased to announce that we will be celebrating the 33rd year of coming together in praise and worship on **Saturday**, **29th March, 2025 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.** The theme this year, *"Power From on High"*, encourages us to remember and focus on the source of our strength. For tickets and information, please visit: www.ljhr.ca

2024 Tax Receipts

A reminder that 2024 tax receipts will be issued and mailed at the end of this month. We thank you for your continuous support!