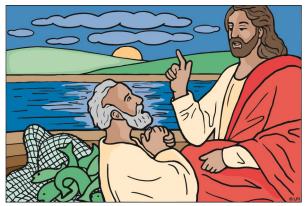
Sunday, February 9, 2025



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 10, 2025 8:15 am: + Josie Timko Tuesday, February 11, 2025 8:15 am: + Fr. Jim Roth 7:00 pm: + Manlio, Nadia, Dina & Patrizia Franco Wednesday, February 12, 2025 8:15 am: + Waclaw Barabasz Thursday, February 13, 2025 8:15 am: + Eugene Madden Friday, February 14, 2025 8:15 am: + Stephen Smith 7:00 pm: + Vincent Mui + Suzanne & Kimberly Wilcox & Louise Cordeiro + Anita & Eduardo Wenceslao + Maria Louisa & Antonio Amaral + Linda & Domenic Di Tomasso + All Souls Saturday, February 15, 2025 8:15 am: + Linda Gagnon 5:00 pm: + Josie Timko Sunday, February 16, 2025 8:30 am: St. Patrick's Parishioners 10:00 am: + Raul Soriano 12:00 pm: + Josie Timko 7:00 pm: + Waclaw Barabasz

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-12pm, 3pm-6pm, Sun 9am-1pm



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stpatricksyouth.com

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

My parents' garage is full of old junk that no longer serves any purpose in my life. As a 46-year-old man, I admit that's pretty lame. Either due to my sentimentality or laziness (or both, probably), I just couldn't get myself to throw things away. But a few days ago, by a grace of God, I thought: "I'll hire my nephew Ryan to throw a bunch of my stuff away - he couldn't care less about my junk!" And you know what? It worked. In one day, Ryan chucked the majority of his uncle's useless stuff. I feel so free, ready for a new junk-free chapter in my life. This kind of thing happens in this Sunday's Gospel. Peter's net is full of useless junk. Luke says he and the others are cleaning their nets after catching no fish. Imagine them dejectedly and impatiently removing a nasty assortment of seaweed, sticks and muck. The Lord teaches and calls them once their nets are cleared out. So it goes with us. Spiritual life begins by removing that which is useless and merely taking up space in our hearts, minds and lives. Then Jesus teaches and acts in a marvelous way in our lives, too. So what's junking up your net? What habits, attachments, possessions, preoccupations? If, like me, you struggle to clean your nets by yourself, ask the Lord to send you someone like my nephew to be your "Peter" and help you clean it out. It is well worth it. Once Peter's net is clean, he is free to make a wonderful catch.

2024 Tax Receipts

A reminder that 2024 tax receipts will be issued and mailed mid February. We thank you for your continuous support!

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

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

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 Čelia, Alix Meikle, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Royston Guilford, Jacintha Fernandes, Anna lafrate, 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

Jubilee Year 2025

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

The faithful can obtain a plenary indulgence – the remission of temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven - during this year. A Plenary Indulgence can be obtained in one of

three ways. 1. Through pilgrimage to the Cathedral, partici-

- pating in holy mass, prayer and confession.
- 2. Pious visits to sacred spaces, including other Jubilee parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto, as well as the Papal Basilicas in Rome and the Vatican.
- 3. Works of mercy and penance including feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, comforting the afflicted, and forgiving offences.

For more information about Jubilee 2025 in the Archdiocese of Toronto visit: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee

Marriage Sunday

"Marriage is a precious sign, for when a man and a woman celebrate the sacrament of matrimony, God is, as it were, 'mirrored' in them; he impresses in them his own features and the indelible character of his love. Marriage is the icon of God's love for us." From Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia

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.

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>Squires Give Back Weekend</u>

As a thank you for parishioners, our very own Columbian Squires are hosting a Give Back weekend on **February 15-16, 2025** after all Masses—please come join us in the parish hall for hot chocolate and cookies! See you there!

CWL General Meeting

Please join us this **Wednesday**, **February 12th**, **2025** starting 7:00 pm for our General Meeting. We will begin with Rosary at 7:00 pm, followed by a brief business meeting, then our Valentine's themed activity and social. All are welcome.