Sunday, January 9, 2021



"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc



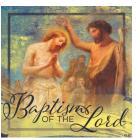
Monday, January 10, 2022 8:15am: + Maria Loan Tuesday, January 11, 2022 8:15am: + Connie Camilleri 7:00pm: + Connie Camilleri Wednesday, January 12, 2022 8:15am: + Connie Camilleri Thursday, January 13, 2022 8:15am: + Alberto Moretta & Paul Pirro Friday, January 14, 2022 5:00pm: + All Souls In Purgatory 7:00pm: + Norma Ayala Reyes + Peter Quyet & Maria Loan + Fred Tadros + Aurora & Proserfino Baguio + All Souls Saturday, January 15, 2022 8:15am: + Dorothy Troy 5:00pm: + Deceased Members of the Picano, Gargano & Messore Families Sunday, January 16, 2022 8:30am: + Ethel Keith 10:00am: + Jennifer & Henry D'Costa 12:00pm: + Prazeres De Souza



Parish Website

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<u>Baptism of our Lord</u>



What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk

impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life. It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism. It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

<u>2021 Donations</u>

The last day to submit 2021 donations is **Monday, January 17, 2022.** If you would like the amount included in your 2021 receipt, please make sure all donations have been submitted to the parish office by Jan 17th. Tax receipts for 2021 will be issued mid-February.

2022 Envelopes

2022 Envelopes are ready for pick up in the parish hall. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

<u>Please Pray for the Sick...</u>

Please pray for our parishioners, family and friends who have requested our prayers: Alessia & Tony Commisso, Tina MacPherson, Alex Romero, 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, Joe Aguanno, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Dianne Ouellette, Anna Iafrate, Doreen Micallef, John Kolozsvari, Geleong Apong, Dominic Alvia

<u>REMINDERS</u>: WEEKLY MASS

A reminder that weekly Mass Registration opens every Tuesdays approx. 10am.

The link will be posted on the parish website approx. <u>10am on Tuesday</u>.

The email with the link to register will also be sent at the same time.

If you do not receive the email within 5-10 minutes, please feel free to check the parish website as the link will be posted there.

Our website: StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org

Thank you! - Parish Staff

<u>St. Patrick's</u> Online Prayer Group (via Zoom)

Please join us **Monday evenings at 7:00pm for an hour of Prayers & Reflections** via Zoom. Zoom meeting link and reminders will be emailed through our distribution weekly on Mondays. **Note:** When logging on, you will need this passcode: **196792**.

This Monday, we will commemorate the Baptism of Our Lord, which will be the beginning of Jesus' public life in the Luminous Mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

Please join us!

For more information, please Email: <u>stpatrickmiss.olprayergroup@gmail.com</u>

Parish Cookbook!

For those who missed the opportunity, the cookbooks will be available for sale (\$20.00) in the parish office OR can be ordered via email at <u>stpatrickmis.cwl@gmail.com</u> OR please call Peggy Kennedy at 905-279-5608.

Please note the parish office only accepts cash or cheques. Thank you!

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." — Pope Francis

Live the Liturgy

Inspiration for the Week Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.



Are you registered with us?

To be a registered member of our Parish, you must have completed a registration form provided by the parish office.

If you would like to receive weekly emails regarding the St. Patrick's Online Prayer Group, Mass Registrations and important announcements, please make sure you include your email with the registration form. You can also subscribe to our email list by visiting the parish website and signing up using our online form.

To register, please stop by the parish office or you can also send a quick email to <u>StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org</u>.

We thank you in advance for your support and we'd like to give a warm welcome to all new parishioners!