

Sunday, November 21, 2021



Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." - Jn 18:36



A gentle reminder that there are NO MASS INTENTIONS for the entire month of November. It is the month of the Holy Souls; all those whom Jesus has called to new eternal life with Him.

+ *Eternal Rest to all who have died in the Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 9am-1pm

Saturday 9am-12pm, 3pm-6pm

Sunday 9am-1pm

Please note: When the office is open, the Church is open as well.



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StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org

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StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess? Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life's ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprising creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life's ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come. Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever.

Book of Life

As we have done in the past, our Book of Life is placed before the Tabernacle. In this book, you are invited to write names of your family and friends who have died so they will be remembered in the Eucharist that we celebrate each day. You are welcomed to use the All Souls Day envelopes. However, please make sure you put the envelopes in the offertory box on Sunday or leave them in the parish office.

Share Life

To date, the Parish has given **\$106,785.99** to the campaign. All that we give are appreciated by the various agencies and charities that are supported through Share Life.—Fr. John

Please Pray for the Sick...

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 Aguanono, 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



*Online Mass Registrations are sent on a weekly basis every Tuesdays at 10am. **If you do not receive the email within 5-10 minutes, you can visit our website:***

StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org and access the link from there. The link will ALWAYS be available on the website and is updated every Tuesday approx. 10am.

2021 Poinsettia Sale



We are back selling poinsettias, these plants are of outstanding colors, quality and value.

Ordering will take place at the Church hall, this weekend Nov 20/21 and next weekend, Nov 27/27. Pick up will start on Sat,

Dec 11 at 2pm and after all weekend Masses. Thank you for your support!

First Communion and Confirmation 2021-2022

If your child is in Gr. 2 & Gr. 7 this year and would like to receive their Sacrament of First Communion (Gr. 2) and Sacrament of Confirmation (Gr. 7), please contact the parish office via NEW EMAIL: stpatricksmi@archtoronto.org

- Confirmation Classes start in January 2022
- First Communion Classes start in December 2021 (online)



Gift Tree 2021

A reminder to please return the gifts to the Parish Office by **November 25th, 2021**. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Patrick's Online Prayer Group (via Zoom)

Please join us every **Monday evening at 7:00 pm for an hour of Prayers & Reflections** via Zoom. Zoom meeting link and reminders will be emailed through our distribution weekly on Mondays. You can subscribe via the website or contact the parish office. **Note:** When logging on, you will need this passcode: **196792**.

November is the month of the Holy Souls. Each Monday during this month, you will have the opportunity to share with us the names of your loved ones, those who have gone to their rest in the peace of Christ. You are invited to either read aloud (or in silent) the names, or you can email them to us, and we will add them to our virtual Book of Life, which will be read aloud, and together we will celebrate their lives with a virtual candle and prayers of thanksgiving.

For more information, please contact: Andrea Tjioe, Mark Jennings, Karen Aranha, Gerry Smith or Amadeo Cuschieri, Email: stpatrickmiss.olprayergroup@gmail.com

Queen of Apostles Advent Retreat - A Journey with Mary

Date: December 4, 2021
Time: 9:00am-3:30pm
Cost: \$40.00 per person
Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road
Contact: 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

Queen of Apostles Bereavement Retreat

Journey with Others who Share your Experience
Time: 9:00am-3:30pm
Cost: \$40.00 per person
Location: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road
Contact: 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

