

Sunday, November 7, 2021



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."
- Mk 12:42-43



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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Youth Website
stpatricksyouth.com

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

On December 10, 1979, a very petite holy woman known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke these words in her Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech, "But I am sure in the families and many of our homes, maybe we are not hungry for a piece of bread, but maybe there is somebody there in the family who is unwanted, unloved, uncared, forgotten, there isn't love. Love begins at home. And love to be true has to hurt. I never forget a little child who taught me a very beautiful lesson. They heard in Calcutta, the children, that Mother Teresa had no sugar for her children, and this little one, Hindu boy four years old, he went home and he told his parents: I will not eat sugar for three days, I will give my sugar to Mother Teresa. How much a little child can give. After three days they brought into our house, and there was this little one who could scarcely pronounce my name, he loved with great love, he loved until it hurt. And this is what I bring before you, to love one another until it hurts, but don't forget that there are many children, many children, many men and women who haven't got what you have. And remember to love them until it hurts." Living authentically and walking with holiness always involves sacrifice. It has to hurt. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even what is apparently a generous gesture can be nothing. It is no wonder that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus and the young child in our story above the interest of Mother Teresa. It is easy to make the houses of our lives look like they are in perfect order when in fact they are in shambles within. Religion can sometimes make this hypocritical masquerade easy to accomplish. We can find ourselves in all the right holy places, reciting all of the correct prayers, participating in community collections, and reciting the proper doctrines only to find ourselves empty, shallow, self-focused, and overly anxious about personal concerns. The one who learns to discover their inner poverty, their spiritual poverty, is the only one who can truly place him or herself at the mercy of God. It is only when we allow ourselves to be empty that we realize Who we actually need to fill us. This is the real meaning of trust. Many of us are afraid to take the plunge. We allow ourselves to detach from only so much, always keeping a watchful eye on the protection of our securities. We understand the value of poverty, but we do not want to become too poor. As long as we are able to recognize this tension, our reluctance to let go and our struggle, we can continue our journey of humbly learning how to love so deeply that it hurts. God understands and waits.

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 **\$104,215.99** 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 Aguanon, 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 is ALWAYS available on the website and is updated every Tuesdays approx. 10am.

Thank you! (Thanksgiving Food Drive)

"I would like to thank St. Patrick's Church & Sts. Peter & Paul Parish for generously donating to this year's Mayor's Thanksgiving Food Drive, in support of The Mississauga Food Bank. With your donation of **6,320 pounds of food**, we not only met this year's goal but exceeded it, raising over **\$650,000 and over 370,000 pounds of food** for our hungry neighbours. Thanks to your generosity and compassion, we were able to help feed those in need in our community."

- Mayor Bonnie Crombie

NOVEMBER VERSO WORSHIP NIGHT

All youth (gr. 9 & up) and young adults (18+) are invited for our next Verso Worship night on Saturday November 13th from 6:30pm to 8pm in the parish. Join us in the church for worship music and prayer with special guest speaker, Fr. Joshua Roldan, the new director of the Office of Catholic Youth! Registration is encouraged. For more information and to register: www.stpatricksyouth.com or email Maria stpatyouthgroup@hotmail.com

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, Nov 20/21, Nov 27/28. Pick up will start on Sat, Dec 11 at 2pm and after all weekend Masses. Thank you for your support!

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

Catholic Women's League

Parish Cook Book

St Patrick's CWL is putting together a Parish Cookbook for Christmas to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the CWL in Toronto. We invite ALL parishioners to share in this fun project by sending in a recipe that has a special meaning for your family. We would like to include a picture of the chef, a short story behind the recipe and even a video demonstration if you can. We also invite all artists to send in a design for the cover of the book. A prize will be awarded for the best one selected. All entries should include your name and phone number and send an email to the CWL official email: stpatrick-mis.cwl@gmail.com OR dropped off at the Church office ATTN to CWL. **Recipes will be collected until November 15th 2021.**

Contact Ramona da Cunha 647-739-0005 OR Brigitte Daniel 905-279-1228 if you have any questions.

EDGE/ELEV8 IS BACK IN-PERSON!

We are thrilled to announce that our Youth Ministries for gr. 6, 7 & 8 will be starting in November and will take place on Fridays from 5:00 to 6:15pm (doors open at 4:45pm). November 5 is for St. Thomas More Students and November 19 is for St. Edmund, St. Teresa of Calcutta & St. Vincent de Paul Students. Pre-registration is required and Covid-19 masking and physical distancing protocols will be in effect. EDGE & ELEV8 Nights allow youth to learn about their faith through talks, music, games, videos, small group discussions, activities and sharing with friends. For more information & to register: <http://bit.ly/EDGENov> or by contacting the Youth Minister, Maria at stpatyouthgroup@hotmail.com