

Sunday, October 3, 2021



He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage. God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated. Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two. The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 4, 2021

8:15am: + Prip De Souza

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

8:15am: + Lilia R. Alvaran

7:00pm: + Olimpia Jose

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

8:15am: + Paul Caravaggio

Thursday, October 7, 2021

8:15am: + Prazeres De Souza

Friday, October 8, 2021

8:15am: + Deceased Members of the Acebedo Family

7:00pm: + Prip De Souza

+ Bienvenido Gamit Jr.

+ Guiditta Vespa

+ Ramona Martinez

Saturday, October 9, 2021

8:15am: + Prip De Souza

5:00pm: Anniversary of Lorenzo & Maila Recomanta Calabrese

Sunday, October 10, 2021

8:30am: + Nancy Pevcevicius

10:00am: + Noel Mariano

12:00pm: Marisol Amendola (Birthday)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday: 9am-1pm

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

Sunday: 9am-1pm

When the office is open, the Church is open as well.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Aug 28—Oct 10, 2021

Now accepting unexpired canned food and non-perishable items. Thank you! Only with your support, we can make a difference for families in need.

Parish Website

StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org

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StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org

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stpatriksyouth.com



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, Martin Tierney, 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



Share Life

The Parish Share Life campaign has been working quietly since June when the first offering was taken up. I thank all of you for continuing to support Share Life. Due to COVID-19, the dates throughout the year for the collections have been mixed up. **The Archdiocese has set two remaining dates: Oct 3rd and Oct 30th.** I know that I don't have to sell Share Life to you, because through the years you have always responded generously. To date, the Parish has given \$91,000.00 to the campaign—which I believe is wonderful. The Archdiocese sets a goal for us each year. This year, our goal was \$132,000.00. I would like to reach this goal, but I know that many of you have had challenges during this past year. If you have not given, and are able to do so, please take one of our Share Life envelopes, and give on either dates in October. All that we give are appreciated by the various agencies and charities that are supported through Share Life.—Fr. John

Life Chain Sunday

This **Sunday, October 3**, people from across Canada will take part in "Life Chain" the annual silent, but powerful, witness against abortion. Life Chain provides a peaceful and prayerful opportunity for people to stand for one hour and publicly witness to the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death.

*"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defence of **life** from its conception, and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. **Christ is with you: be not afraid!**"*
- St. John Paul II

When: **Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 2-3pm**
Where: **Tomken & Dundas Intersection**

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**.

For this coming **Monday, Oct 4**, we will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary reflecting on the Joyful Mystery of the Holy Rosary.

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

First Communion & 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** With your child's name, school, grade and with the email address you use regularly.

40 Days for Life

The largest ever 40 Days for Life anti-abortion campaign begins in 612 cities worldwide on **September 22 and runs until October 31**. This is the 10th Anniversary of this peaceful prayer vigil in Mississauga & Brampton, which takes place near Queensway & Confederation Pkwy. St. Catherine of Siena Church will provide information, signs and sanitization supplies. St. Patrick's Church will cover 12 hrs on October 15 from 7am-7pm. You are encouraged to attend at any time during this campaign. Details to follow.

