Sunday, September 11, 2022



"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents." - Lk 15:10

<u>Mass Intentions</u>

Monday, Sep 12, 2022

8:15am: + All Souls

Tuesday, Sep 13, 2022 8:15am: + Ubaldina D'Souza 7:00pm: + Alberto Moretta Wednesday, Sep 14, 2022 8:15am: + Ludovina De Mello

8:15am: + Ludovina De Mei **Thursday, Sep 15, 2022** 8:15am: + Dorothy Troy

Friday, Sep 16, 2022

8:15am: + Jennifer D'Costa 7:00pm: + Francis Alphonso

- + Manuela & Salvador Lardizabal
- + Prazeres De Souza (1 yr Death Anniversary)
- + Peter Quyet
- + Joao Cabaco
- + All Souls

Saturday, Sep 17, 2022

8:15am: + Roy & Sheri Yacynuk 5:00pm: + David De Souza Sunday, Sep 18, 2022

8:30am: For the Divine comfort & strength for

Peter Krayacich

10:00am: Mamerto Anacleto Marcelo & Members of

the Reynante Family

12:00pm: Fred Las Marias & Sr. Ma. Emmanuel

Lardizabal

7:00pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm, Sat: 9am-12pm, 3pm-6pm, Sun: 9am-1pm



Parish Website

StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org

StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org

Youth Website

stpatricksyouth.com

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Since God created human beings, we have struggled to keep our focus on God. We wrestle with the question of "who is God" and foolishly believe some of God's job description can be better completed by us. We wander in different directions, lose our way, think that happiness can be found elsewhere and even construct golden calves to worship. Are we simply too independent or just blatantly stubborn? It's a good question to ask. Even with all of our silliness and distractions, God compassionately and patiently waits. He lets us assert our wills and knows that perhaps one day we will actually wake up and realize how lost we are. "Since happiness is nothing other than the enjoyment of the highest good and since the highest good is above, no one can be made happy unless he rises above himself, not by an ascent of the body but of the heart. But we cannot rise above ourselves unless a higher power lifts us up ... Divine aid is available to those who seek it from their hearts, humbly and devoutly; and this means to sigh for it in this valley of tears, through fervent prayer (St. Bonaveture)." One of the biggest human struggles is discerning what, exactly, is the highest good. We are ordered to achieve it but if we pursue it with clouded vision, we will never truly find it. One of the greatest obstacles to God's power and love is a stubborn, closed heart of stone. When we are fiercely determined to set our sights elsewhere for happiness or simply ride the popular currents of the day, we will never satisfy the deep ache and longing within. We know that ache well. It is precisely why we scurry all over the place, attempting to find the next best thing to take away its pain. Nothing in the created world ever can or will. We continue our journey. One day, people may wake up and realize that they are grazing in the wrong pasture and putting themselves in harm's way. When this awakening occurs, it will be a most joyous day as we will see God's wide-open arms waiting to receive us. "Lead me, Lord, in your path, and I will enter in your truth. Let my heart rejoice that it may fear your name (St. Bonaventure)."

SVDP Bundle Up Weekend September 17-18, 2022



Bring your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with others on the weekend of **September 17-18**, **2022**. A St. Vincent de Paul truck/bin will be in the Church parking lot that weekend. All clothing, all footwear, bedding, drapery/

towels and toys are accepted. Please keep in mind, these items are NOT accepted: baby items, construction material, dishes, furniture, books/video and audio cassettes.

Please bring your donations and help those in need within our community. Thank you for your continued support!

Adoration Chapel

The Chapel will be open from **8:00 am - 5:00 pm**, 7 days a week. Seating is limited to **8 people**, and masks are to be worn. Since there is limited seating, the Adoration time will be for **ONE HOUR**. Please be considerate, and allow time for other people to come.

Life Chain

Mark your calendars! Life Chain will be held on **Sunday, October 2, 2022**. More information to follow...

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, 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, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Baby Elijah, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Roberto Provido, Taiya Pastolero, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Morris Dzis, Jonathan Pinto, Alvaro Interiano, Arlene Claricia, Eileen Rose Rounce, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung

Parish Staff Update!

Beatrice Balano, who has been the Parish Secretary beginning as weekend help and then moving on to a full-time position, will be leaving the Parish as of September 6th. We are sad to see her go, but we wish her many blessings as she takes on this new and challenging position at the Chancery.

Are you registered in our Parish?

To be a registered member of our parish, you must have completed a registration form provided by the parish office. Attending Mass alone or having your Sacrament (s) here as a child does not attest your registration. When you become an adult, you must register under your own name. To register, please stop by at the parish office. We thank you in advance and we would like to give a warm welcome to all new parishioners!

Pastoral References

We often receive requests for Pastoral Reference letters from people who are seeking to apply as teachers in the Catholic School Boards. The reference asks the priest to attest to the practice of the candidate's Catholic faith. It is very important that those who seek a reference must be: a registered member of our parish for at least 6 months, attends Mass regularly, volunteers within the parish community and be in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. Please make sure you qualify with the criteria listed above before submitting your forms to Fr. John. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Food Drive

September 18-October 2



Our parish is having a Food Drive accepting unexpired canned food and nonperishable items from September 18 to October 2. Only with your support, we can make a difference for families in need!

A reminder that we have a parish website! stpatricksmi.archtoronto.org

Visit our parish website for a digital copy of the bulletin, news and more! You can also subscribe to our email list to receive the latest news via email.

St. Patrick's Online Prayer Group

The St. Patrick's Online Prayer Group meet every Monday at 7:00pm via Zoom. Their next meeting is on **Monday**, **September 12**, **2022 at 7:00pm**. If you'd like to receive weekly reminders, please subscribe to our email list by either going to our parish website or call (905) 270-2301.

Zoom Meeting ID: 864 9533 4570

Passcode: 196792

Further details and Zoom link will be emailed through the Parish Email distribution. For more info, please email: stpatrickmiss.olprayergroup@gmail.com

Thank you from our Totus Tuus Missionaries!!

A big thank you to all parishioners from our Totus Tuus missionaries for responding so generously during the Totus Tuus week at St. Patrick's! Special thanks to the **Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League** for providing meals and accommodation to the missionaries for the week so they can continue to serve our parish youth! If you have missed this year's Totus Tuus camp, be sure to stay tuned for next year's camp information and registration.

Blessing of Animals

Saturday, October 1, 2022 at 10:00am
As we continue the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi who saw the presence of God in all creation, we will be blessing your pets on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at 10:00am on the Church grounds. So if Fluffy is no longer fluffy and Frisky is too frisky, being them along to the Church for a blessing. Rain or shine, but we pray for shine!

Communion for the Sick and Shut-ins

If you, a loved one, or anybody you know are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office at (905) 270-2301 ext. 222 and we will arrange for one of our Eucharist Ministers to drop by. For more information, you can contact the parish office at (905) 270-2301 ext 222 or stpatricksmi@archtoronto.org

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)



The Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults is the way
that a non-baptized person is
brought into full communion
with the Catholic Church.
RCIA prepares the newcomers
for the sacraments of
Baptism, Eucharist and
Confirmation. If you wish to

register for our RCIA program or to get more information, please contact the parish office at (905) 270-2301 or by sending an email to: stpatricksmi@archtoronto.org