Sunday, September 17, 2023



"Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you? Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart." - Mt 18:33-35

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 18, 2023 8:15 am: + Sylvester Latouche Tuesday, September 19, 2023 8:15 am: + All Souls 7:00 pm: + Annette Cooray Wednesday, September 20, 2023 8:15 am: + Kenneth Andrew Patrick Nicols Thursday, September 21, 2023 8:15 am: + Michael O'Brien Friday, September 22, 2023 8:15 am: + Deceased Friends of the Paul Family 7:00 pm: + Prazeres De Souza + Maxima & Bernabe Barquin + Carmen Rayner + All Souls Saturday, September 23, 2023 8:15 am: + James Fernandes 5:00 pm: Margaret & George Pereira (65th Wedding Anniversary) Sunday, September 24, 2023 8:30 am: + Deceased Members of the Vaz Family 10:00 am: + Antonio & Maria Colli & Connie Caponecchia 12:00 pm: Jennings & Donoghue Family & Hazragh Jennings 7:00 pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth



Parish Website

StPatricksMi.archtoronto.org

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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood. That childhood memory – and the attendant outrage - came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid owed me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us? We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He remembers - and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to - and forgiven by - his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets. – Father John Muir

Please note, there will be NO EVENING (7pm) MASS and NO CONFESSIONS on Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

<u>Catechism Program:</u> <u>First Reconciliation and</u> <u>First Communion</u>

This year, our classes will be held IN PERSON. For more information or to enroll your child in our Catechism Program, please send an email to: stpatricksmi@archtoronto.org More details to follow.

Confirmation Preparation

Stay tuned for more information regarding our 2023-2024 Confirmation Preparation classes. The Sacrament of Confirmation is for children Grades 7 and up.

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 9:00am-4:00pm Sat: 9:00am-12:00pm, 3:00pm-6:00pm Sun: 9:00am-1:00pm

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 Ca-



ruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Evelyn Cletus, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Wilfredo Ticzon, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, 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, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Virgina Torrefranca, Benedict de Castro, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey, Josie Timko, Pat Mooney, Joseph A. Torrefranca, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Teresita Morales, Emilia Castro, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Lina Siconolfi, Cathy Mauro, Andre Cartier, Kinga Serwin

Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Collection

As part of our ongoing efforts towards healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised close to 40 percent of the \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops. The archdiocese will contribute \$6 million towards the national pledge. The collection on **September 30**/ **October 1, 2023** provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information or to donate online please visit: www.archtoronto.org/ hea<u>lingandreconciliation</u> - thank you for your generosity!

Thanksgiving Food Drive



THANKS Our parish is having a Food Drive accepting unexpired canned food and nonperisha-🐜 ble items from **Sep 17 to Oct 1**. Only with your support, we can make a difference for families in need!

WANTED URGENTLY! **Pro-Life Defenders!**

Job Description: Standing up for life on Dundas Street at Tomken from 2-3PM on Sunday, October 1st.

Qualifications: Open to all-bring family and friends

Skills needed: Silent prayer; Holding pro-life sign (to be provided)

Outcome: To publicly affirm the sacredness of life, humbly and lovingly, to those who pass by **Reward:** Will be great in Heaven

Falls 2023 ACTS Retreats

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga, ON "Come and renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life."

Women's Retreat October 26 – 29, 2023 **Men's Retreat** November 9 – 12, 2023

Contact (St. Patrick): Andrea Tjioe (416) 525-3893 or a_tjioe@yahoo.com (Women's Retreat)

Willy Klaudusz (647) 281-5990 or actscanadacore@gmail.com (Men's Retreat)

For more info, please visit our website: www.actscanada.org

Blessing of Animals



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 7, 2023 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!

Chocolate!!!

The Squires are going to have a chocolate sale on the weekend of October 7th and 8^{th.} They will have Lindt and Nestle chocolates!!! This is chocolate fundraiser will help support a deacon or a seminarian. Thank you in advance for your continuous support.