St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE MASS INTENTIONS November 21, 2021

Saturday November 20:

5:00 pm: The Grasinski Family + Stanislaus Manuelpillai and Thesamma Stanislaus

- + Bosco Thomas
- + Ursula de Castro
- + Jose Tadatada
- + Ninette & Jerome Pepin
 Deceased Members of Patterson &
 Nugara Families
 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday November 21:

9:00 am: Holy Souls in Purgatory 10:30 am: In Thanksgiving 12:00 pm: Pro-Populo

Monday November 22:

9:00 am: Birthday Blessings for Maurino Baptista Alphonso

Tuesday November 23:

9:00 pm: + Carmelle Harrison

Wednesday November 24:

7:30 pm: + Nezlie Ragos Vasquez

Thursday November 25:

9:00 am: + Lucy Raskina

Friday November 26:

9:30 am: Celebrant Intentions

7:30 pm: + Sheila Faustin

Saturday November 27:

9:00 am: Celebrant's Intention

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Thanksgiving



Relaxing Some Restrictions

The Archdiocese has relaxed some of the restrictions around congregational singing and some churches are implementing these new guidelines. For now, we will not be encouraging any congregational singing but we will go back to doing our congregational devotions such as the Rosary, Mother of Perpetual Help on Wednesdays and Sacred Heart devotions on Friday evenings. Instead of handing out booklets, we will use the overhead projector. There will be no singing during these devotions.



Young Rosary Prayer Warriors Marian Procession and Social

On **Saturday December 4** this Youth Prayer Group will be gathering here at St. Aidan's Church and are inviting you *(and especially those between the ages of 19-35)* to join them and to invite your friends. They will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm, followed by a Marian Procession around our church and school next door while praying the Rosary. Mass will be at 5:00 pm as usual and it will be followed by a reception and social in our Hall, which will be only for the youth. Others can participate in the preceding events.



Spiritus Via, Youth Social Thursday December 2nd

The Youth of our parish are invited to join us for our annual young adult (19-35) Christmas social at St. Aidan's on Thursday, December 2nd at 7pm! This year we will have praise and worship by Steadfast Worship. There will be food, games and fellowship to follow. Invite all your friends. You will need to register. **Please note**: The event will follow Covid-19 protocols as needed. Masks are required and regular sanitization is suggested. If you are not feeling well, please stay home, in love of your neighbour.



Simbang Gabi Novena of Masses - December 16-24

The Filipino community of St. Aidan's Parish would like to invite everyone to embrace their "beautiful gift" of Simbang Gabi. This is a Filipino Christmas tradition; a series of nine dawn Masses on the days leading up to Christmas, from December 16th to December 24th. The tradition goes back to colonial times, during Spanish rule, when Catholic priests started offering Mass very early in the morning so that farmers could attend morning Mass and still be at work before sunrise. Join us in preparing for the birth of Our Lord through this novena of prayer and sacrifice by participating in the nine Simbang Gabi Masses from December 16-24 at 6:00 am, at St. Aidan's church. After each 6:00 am Mass, a reception of coffee/tea and traditional Filipino foods will be available to eat or bring home. Everyone is welcome.



Simbang Gabi Christmas Lantern (Parol) Making Contest

The Star of Bethlehem is one of the symbols of Christmas. The brilliant star of unusual brightness led the three wise men from far-away lands to undertake the arduous journey and follow the star which eventually led them to the Infant Saviour. To remember this special star, the organizers of the *Simbang Gabi Novena of Masses* are inviting families to join the Christmas Star Lantern (Parol) Making Contest. *Your star will need to be submitted between December 1st to December 15th.* We will try to provide the wooden sticks used to make the stars should you need them. Families are encouraged to be creative in decorating their own lanterns. The lanterns will be hung in the Parish Hall and can be brought home after Christmas day. Three prizes will be awarded for the best lanterns.



Are you thinking about the priesthood?

The Office of Vocations will host a Come & See – Day Retreat for men 18 years and older at St. Augustine's Seminary on Saturday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This day retreat offers men a way to discern a possible call to the priesthood at our seminary.

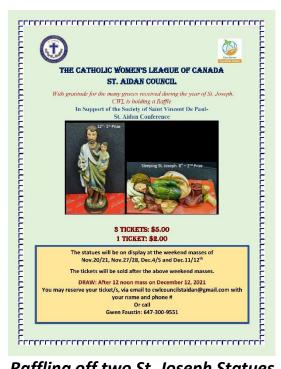
For more information visit:

www.vocationstoronto.ca vocations@archtoronto.org https://bit.ly/torontocomesee2021



Novena to St. Joseph and Our Lady, leading up to December 8th

In appreciation for the many graces received during the year of St. Joseph, ending on December 8; The Catholic Women's League of St. Aidan 's will host a virtual/online Novena in honour of St. Joseph and The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary from November 29 to December 7 at 7:00 pm, except on Wednesday December 1 and Friday December 3, the Novena will begin at 6:30 pm. The Zoom link will be on our Parish Website. We hope you can join us.



Raffling off two St. Joseph Statues

A Raffle of two St. Joseph Statues will be conducted by the Catholic Women's Group of our parish. Tickets are one for \$3, or two tickets for \$5. <u>Ticket sales will begin November 21</u> <u>after all Sunday Masses.</u> All proceeds will be in support of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society - St. Aidan's Conference.



Remembrance of your deceased loved ones

During the month of November, we are called to remember our deceased loved ones and pray that they be released from Purgatory. **We will have a box at the front of the church.** You can place the names of your loved ones on a piece of paper or envelope and drop it into the box. All the Masses celebrated in November will include everyone whose names are in the box.



Gaining an Indulgence for your Deceased Loved One

Normally for the first 8 days of November you could gain a plenary (or full) indulgence for your deceased loved ones by visiting a cemetery and fulfilling the other requirements, which are: praying for a deceased person at the cemetery, praying for the Holy Father's intentions, receiving Holy Communion on that day, going to confession within a period of twenty days before or after the indulgenced act, and being detached from all sin, including venial sin. If you are not detached from all sin, you would only gain a partial indulgence. This ability to gain a plenary indulgence for a deceased loved one has been extended by Pope Francis for the entire month of November due to pandemic restrictions. Gaining an indulgence would enable your deceased loved one to pass through Purgatory much sooner.



St. Joseph Prayers on Wednesday November 24th to gain an Indulgence

The Year of St. Joseph ends on December 8th. Until then, we can receive an indulgence through various devotions to St. Joseph. *These acts must be accompanied by sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, prayer for the pope's intentions, and detachment from all sin.* One of the ways we can gain an indulgence is by honouring St. Joseph with an act of piety or approved prayer on a Wednesday, the day traditionally dedicated to St. Joseph. The Knights of Columbus of our parish have organized some prayers to St. Joseph after our 7:30 pm Mass on Wednesday November 24th. Please join us for this event and gain an indulgence for yourself or for a deceased loved one.



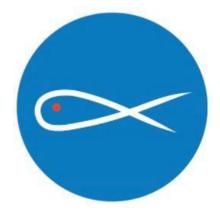
Update Regarding the Tabernacle

The Archdiocese did not approve our proposal to move the Tabernacle to the centre. In their response it was indicated that they are often in favour of having the tabernacle in the centre, however, given that it's been a divisive issue in St. Aidan's parish, they would prefer it not be moved at this time. They did indicate that perhaps it could be revisited in a few years time. Thank you to all of you for your participation in our Survey. Thank you especially to all those who worked so hard to make the Survey as fair as possible.



Muffler stolen in our Parking Lot

If you own a Honda CRV 2003 to 2009, please be very careful. One of our parishioners with such a car had his catalytic converter (muffler) stolen while parked in the parish parking lot. Thieves can cut through the metal pipes in a couple of minutes with an electric power saw. These CRV's are primary targets because they are higher off the ground, and so easier to access, and the piping is easy to get at based on the design. We suggest that you park in such a way that you do not back into your spot. Someone under your car is easier to spot if the back end of your car is visible. To replace your catalytic converter would cost you roughly \$1000-\$2000.



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

"Let us give alms because these cleanse our souls from the stain of sin. Men lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give. For then, they will receive from the Lord the reward they deserve..." - *St. Francis of Assisi*

We thank you, Lord, because you inspired the foundation of St. Vincent de Paul Society to help overcome suffering. Grant the Society the grace of continual growth and renewal.....(St. Vincent de Paul Prayerbook)

The **POOR BOX** collection for October was \$1,815.15. Blessings on all our endeavours! Thank you for your generosity.



All Night Vigil of Adoration Friday December 3rd

After the 7:30 pm Mass on Friday December 3rd we will have an all-night vigil of adoration, with Our Eucharist Lord exposed for our adoration on the altar. The purpose of such an event is to imitate Our Lord who spent entire nights in prayer. This can be done to make reparation for the sins of mankind, to gain graces for oneself and others, and to grow in one's relationship with God. If you are interested, you will need to place your name on the sign-up sheet, available inside the church. For security reasons, we will lock the church doors during the night. Adoration will end just before the morning Saturday 9:00 am Mass.

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