St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MASS INTENTIONS March 6, 2022

Saturday March 5:

5:00 pm: Robert & Cecile Cano Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Beltran In Thanksgiving of Amy Halina Paszkiewick + Joseph Bastiampillai + Regalado Dagdag + Rosa Loong Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday March 6:

9:00 am: + Marianne Kalinowska 10:30 am: + Aloysius Kar On Leung 12:00 pm: Pro-Populo

Monday March 7: 9:00 am: Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday March 8: 9:00 am: + Carmelle Harrison

Wednesday March 9: 7:30 pm: In Thanksgiving of Carmelita Palma

Thursday March 10: 9:00 am: + Neville Pereira

Friday March 11: 9:30 am Celebrant Intentions 7:30 pm + Ben Dante Mino

& Marie Colombe Mino Saturday March 12:

9:00 am: Celebrant's Intentions

SANCTUARY LAMP In Thanksgiving



Latest Directives from the Archdiocese

As of March 1st we can have full capacity for church attendance. Social distancing will no longer be required. <u>Wearing a face mask is still necessary</u>. Pre-registration for Sunday Masses is no longer required after this weekend. For the time being, since we have the space, we will continue to maintain social distancing, so our seating arrangement will be the same for now. We are no longer required to sanitize the pews between Masses. *Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue is now permitted but those who wish to receive on the tongue will have to receive after everyone else has received*. Holy Water fonts are now back at the entrance of our church.



Spiritual Reflection by Deacon Sarfaraz Pinto

The Catholic Women's League of our parish have arranged for Deacon Pinto to provide our parishioners with an online talk on **Thursday March 17th from 7:00 to 8:00 pm.** Please join us for this event. <u>The Zoom link is on our parish website</u>.



Humanitarian Aid for Ukrainians

Ukraine has been plunged into war after the Russian military invaded, resulting in widespread violence and a looming humanitarian crisis. In response to the request of parishioners, the Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people at this time. Hundreds of thousands of Ukrainian civilians have already fled their homes and are trying to find shelter in neighbouring countries. The United Nations estimates that there could eventually be up to five million Ukrainian refugees, depending on how the war transpires. A donation to help Ukrainians who are suffering due to this war would be a most appreciated gift. The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations to support the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). CNEWA is a papal agency with a long history of humanitarian relief; it is currently working in Eastern Europe, providing Ukrainians with food, shelter, medicine and transportation to safe locations. ORAT is Canada's largest private Sponsorship Agreement Holder, which helps bring hundreds of newcomers to our country each year; it will use donations to bring Ukrainian refugees to Canada as soon as possible. Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/pray-for-ukraine/</u>
- By phone through the Development Office: 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Aidan Church Ukrainian Relief Humanitarian Relief



Live Streaming of Weddings or Funerals

If you are interested in live streaming a church event, we are asking for \$300 to help us cover the costs of purchasing, maintaining and running the equipment.



Your Offertory Income tax receipts for 2021 are ready

Please come to the church Gift Shop after any of the Sunday Masses to pick up your income tax receipt. Please remember to maintain social distancing.



St. Vincent de Paul

The SVP donation tax receipts for the year 2021 are available

Please pick up your receipt from the SVP members standing in the foyer. May God bless you abundantly for your kind generosity.



Multiple Intention Masses

At present our only Multiple Intention Mass is the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. We have received permission from the Archdiocese to have <u>the Wednesday evening Mass</u> also as a Multiple Intention Mass. This is being introduced since we have so many Mass requests and people have to book Masses many months in advance. This Multiple Intention Mass for Wednesdays will begin on Wednesday June 22nd. We will honour all the previous intentions and a few that come after June 22nd as single intention Masses.



All Night Vigil of Adoration on First Fridays

After the 7:30 pm Mass on First Fridays 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. For security reasons, we will lock the church doors during the night. Adoration will end just before the morning Saturday 9:00 am Mass with Benediction. *Our next Vigil of Adoration will be this coming Friday, March 4th.*

Bundle up Weekend



Bundle-up Weekend

The SVP truck will be in the parking lot this weekend, March 5th and 6th. Please support the SVP Program. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling.

- Items <u>accepted</u>: Gently used Clothing / Woolens, Footwear, Bedding, Drapery and Towels. Toys...(<u>NEW ONLY</u>).
- Items <u>not accepted</u>: Baby items (Cribs, Car seats, Strollers, or <u>ANY</u> other Baby furniture), Construction Materials, Dishes, Furniture, Books, Video, Audio Cassettes.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.



Come and See - Day Retreat

Saturday, March 19 (9:00 am – 3:30 pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

- Register online at <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee</u>
- For more information, please contact (your Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations via email: <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.



Fridays are Days of Penance

Every Friday of the year, except those that are Solemnities, are Days of Penance. Traditionally, Catholics would not eat meat on Fridays but in recent times Catholics have been permitted to substitute with some other penance or pious work. It is to their own detriment that some people have lost this penitential nature of Fridays. During Lent the penitential nature of Fridays is more fully emphasized. Christ gave His life for us on a Friday. We try to remember this and participate in His sacrifice by giving up something on Fridays. This strengthens us in our ability to practice self-control and frees us from attachments to be able to practice greater kindness toward others.



Online Movie Night, Saturday March 5, 7:00 pm

We will be watching the movie "**The Cross and the Switchblade**". This film, produced in 1970, is based on the true story of a small-town preacher who gets caught up in the shadows of a crime-ridden neighbourhood in New York City, where he tries to bring a message of hope to angry gang members. **The link for the movie will be on our parish website.** Join us from the comfort of your own home. We usually have very good discussions after each movie.



Please note that the Sunday 10:30 am Mass will be regularly live-streamed.



St. Vincent de Paul

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We have now entered the season of Lent. Lent gives us an opportunity to discipline ourselves. Lent challenges us to hear the call to be compassionate and to love more deeply. During this Lenten journey, let us ask our Lord God for the grace, the desire and the energy to go beyond our comfort zone. We are called to intensify our prayer-life, practice self-denial and apply ourselves more zealously to alms-giving or works of charity. May the compassionate God help us to see each day as a time to begin anew.

"Charity must never look back, but always ahead, for the number of its past benefits is always quite small, as the present and future miseries it should alleviate are infinite". - **Blessed Frederic Ozanam**



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Hats in Church

Males are not permitted to wear hats in church. Females can wear hats in church and are actually encouraged to cover or veil their hair according to 1 Corinthians 11. A dispensation has been granted by the Church allowing women to have their hair uncovered. So, females can cover their hair by wearing hats or veils, but males must not cover their heads. Hats off Gents, when in church.



Runs from February 13, 2022 - June 30, 2022

"... Teach us to share with others at home and abroad, the good things You have given us." (From The League Prayer)

Parishioners are invited to participate in this project to boost the supplies at local food banks. Please consider picking up a few extra items from the list below during your regular grocery shopping to donate to this food project.

Please drop off your food items in the bins placed for this purpose in the church lobby.

Note that we are only collecting <u>non-perishable</u> items.



Food suggestions: (choose low sodium, low sugar, and high fibre options when possible).

- peanut butter
- canned soup
- canned fruit
- canned vegetables
- canned stew
- canned fish
- canned beans
- pasta sauce
- pasta (preferably whole grain)
- rice (preferably brown rice)
- cookies
- crackers
- oatmeal





Thank you very much for your generosity

Support our local food banks

Please consider bringing in non-perishable food items to help support our local food banks. This initiative will continue until June 30th and has been organized by the Catholic Women's Group of our parish. There is a bin just outside the Gift Shop where you can drop off your items. It will be emptied every Sunday. Thank you for your contributions to help the poor.



Lay Pastoral Associate for St. Aidan's

We have hired **Luis Dizon** to be our **Lay Pastoral Associate**. He will be helping out with sacramental preparation, the spiritual formation of our parish as well as focusing on youth events and functions. *Please welcome Luis when you get a chance and pray for him and the success of his ministry in our parish.*

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