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# SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES

Saturday - 5:00 pm (vigil)

Sunday - 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 noon

# **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday and Tuesday - 9:00 am

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

Thursday - 9:00 am

Friday - (Ad Orientem Mass) 9:30 am

- Adoration after 9:00 am Mass until 12:30 pm
- (Ad Orientem Mass) 7:30 pm
- Adoration from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm Mass

Saturday - 9:00 am

# SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory well in advance for general instruction.

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:50 pm and 20 minutes before every Mass, except Friday evening

# SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact Father
Steven one year in advance. They must also receive
personal preparation for entering into marriage.

# COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Brought to the homebound every Sunday.
Please contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707.

# MASS INTENTIONS

See Rose Ylagan at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.

# BULLETIN

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# **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

St. Aidan Catholic - 3521 Finch Avenue East - Telephone: 416-393-5350

# **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

See ad at back of bulletin or call 416-733-8544 (NOTE: There are now CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the Bulletin graphics.)

# PARISH STAFF

Fr. Steven Szakaczki - Pastor Luis Dizon - Lay Pastoral Associate Rose Ylagan - Secretary Amable Baylosis - Custodian

# OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday until 12:30 pm (Also after Sunday Masses in the Gift Shop.)

# DEVOTIONS

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday Devotions - 7:00 pm, Mass - 7:30 pm

# **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

After the 9:30 am Friday Ad Orientem Mass, with Adoration until 12:30 pm, and again from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. (before the 7:30 pm Ad Orientem Mass).

## MINISTRIES

Altar Society - Marie Saldanha - 416-491-9876 Altar Servers - Brenda Fernandes - 647-352-2756 Baptism - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704 Children's Program - Phillip Francis - 416-754-8417 Counters - Gwen Faustin - 647-300-9551 Eucharistic Ministers - Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707

First Holy Communion/Confirmation - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704 Hospitality - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016

Lectors - Delba Lewis-Noronha - 416-492-7245

Marriage Preparation - Aggie & Wilfred Gomez - 416-292-5707 Procession Coordinator - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016 R.C.I.A. (Converts) - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704 ShareLife/The Shepherds' Trust - Artimizia Tellis 416-491-3937

Twelve Noon Choir - Franz Braganza - 647-273-0495 Volunteers' Screening - Bettina Geniza - 416-493-0701

# SOCIETY LEADERS

Knights of Columbus - Mark Spanjers, GK - 1-519-616-2345 Catholic Women's League - Patricia Lobo - 416-895-4621 Legion of Mary - Marie Jacqueline Wo Kai Sang - 647-248-1762 Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Savio Ferrao - 647-772-1319

We welcome all new parishioners! Please register at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.

WE INVITE YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

# St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church Easter Sunday MASS INTENTIONS April 17, 2022

No morning or 5 pm Mass 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday April 17: Easter Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

**Monday April 18:** 

9:00 am + Ben Dante Mino & Marie Colombe Mino

**Tuesday April 19:** 

9:00 am + Ronny D'mello

Wednesday April 20:

7:30 pm + Jose Tadatada

**Thursday April 21:** 

9:00 am + Carmille Harrison

Friday April 22:

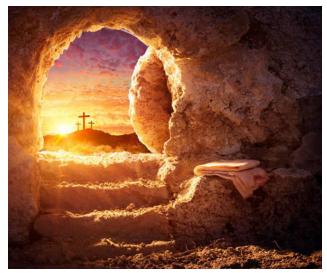
9:30 am Celebrant's Intention 7:30 pm + Joseph Tan

**Saturday April 23:** 

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

**Sanctuary Lamp** 

In thanksgiving of the family



Christ Has Risen!

<u>Happy Easter to all of you!</u> Christ's rising from death manifests His power, not just over death, but over all evil. Through Christ we rise to a new live in union with Him and we hold to His promise that He will raise us from the dead also when He returns in glory. Thank you for your continued support during these difficult times of the pandemic. Hopefully, we will continue to return to how things were.



ShareLife

"Many aspects of pre-Covid life are returning, such as the gradual reopening of our parishes. But we must remember that, for many people, their suffering continues. ShareLife-funded agencies have been helping thousands of people since the pandemic began. They quickly adapted their programs in light of safety and the changing needs of the people they serve." -

# **Cardinal Thomas Collins**

- Thank you for supporting <a href="ShareLife">ShareLife</a>!
- ShareLife is making a difference.
- The next ShareLife Sunday collection is May 1.



Blessed Image of St. Joseph coming to our Parish

The Knights of Columbus invite parishioners to a special Mass and Rosary in honour of St. Joseph on Thursday April 28, at 7:00 pm at St. Aidan Church. Several Icons of St. Joseph, blessed by Pope Francis, are travelling from coast to coast and one of the Icons will be in our parish. As we are aware, St. Joseph is the Patron Saint of Canada and the Universal Church. All of us are in need of prayers especially in these times of uncertainty and we can pray as one family for the intercession of St. Joseph who is an admirable model of virtues.



Returning to the use of Collection Baskets

<u>Starting May 1st weekend</u>, we will start using the collection baskets again, passing them around during the Offertory of the Mass. Most people sanitize their hands before entering the church and some also before Communion. Someone recently gave us some small hand sanitizers. We will try to make some of them available, should some of you be in need.



Novena to St. Anthony

The online Novena to St. Anthony is on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm. The Zoom link is posted on our parish website. The online Novena will continue every Tuesday, leading up to the Feast of St. Anthony. We will not be having our usual Tuesday evening Masses, even though the churches are open, so that more people can participate in the online Novena. You are welcome to write your intentions on a slip of paper and leave it in the basket by St. Anthony's statue. The intentions will be blessed and offered up every Tuesday during the Novena.



Online Presentation on Estate Planning

This online event will address **Wills and Power of Attorney issues** as well as the **Knights of Columbus (KofC) membership**. The investment benefits offered by the KofC, could greatly benefit men and their entire families. **This will take place on Friday, April 12, at 7:45 pm.** Please email **staidankofc@outlook.com** and a link for the meeting will be sent to you.



National March for Life in Ottawa, Thursday, May 12

Please consider joining Fr. Steven and other parishioners for the March for Life in Ottawa on Thursday May 12th. We will start with Mass at St. Aidan's at 6:15 am and leave the church for Ottawa at 7:00 am. We hope to be back at the parish by 8:30 pm. This event is being organized by our Knights of Columbus. Tickets for the bus are \$50 per person and will be sold after Sunday Masses.



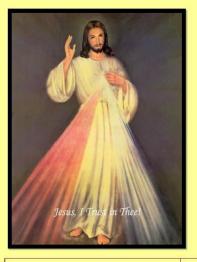
Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Compassionate God, help me to see each day as a time to begin anew, to become the person of love that You have created me to be. Give me the strength to act in love and compassion so that others may see You in me!

Let us ask our Loving Father for the grace, the desire and the energy to go beyond and be an instrument of His Mercy to those who need us most—the homeless, the hungry, our neighbor next door. Please remember the <u>POOR BOX</u> on your way out of the Church. The <u>POOR BOX</u> collection for March was \$1,731.70. We sincerely appreciate your kind generosity. Wishing you and your family a Happy Easter!

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# DIVINE MERCY NOVENA SCHEDULE



The Novena Service to the Divine Mercy will begin on GOOD FRIDAY

The Schedule is as follows:

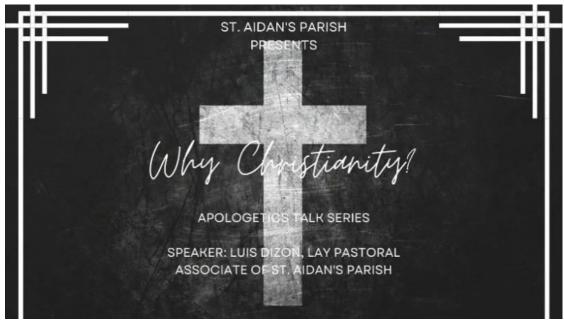
GOOD FRIDAY	AFTER 1:00PM & 3:00PM SERVICE
HOLY SATURDAY	7:30 PM (Before Easter Vigil)
EASTER SUNDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
MONDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
TUESDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM (BEFORE 7:30 PM MASS)
THURSDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
FRIDAY	AFTER 9:30AM MASS & 7:00 PM
SATURDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS

THE FEAST DAY WILL BE CELEBRATED ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY WITH HOLY HOUR AT 3:00 PM WITH SINGING OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLETAND BENEDICTION

(Please try and attend everyday)

# **Divine Mercy Novena**

Will begin on Good Friday, April 15, and conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday April 24 with a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm. *Please see the schedule of the Divine Mercy Novena Prayers*.



Why Christianity?

Do you have tough questions about the Christian faith, or have you been asked tough questions about your faith? Consider attending this series of talks where we will explore issues such as the existence of God, the historicity of Jesus, and other related topics. Each session will be on Monday evenings, every other week and is structured around a talk, small-group discussions, Q&A and a bit of socializing. This series is open to everyone. If you've been having questions about the Christian faith or just want to know more, then this series is the perfect venue to ask questions and discuss with like-minded people. Talks will be given by Luis Dizon, our Lay Pastoral Associate. The in-person talks will begin at 7:00 pm, and will also be recorded for those not able to attend in person. The next talk will be on Monday, April 18 at 7:00 pm in St. Aidan's Parish Hall. The topic is: Did Jesus Rise from the Dead?



Live Streaming of Sunday 10:30 am Mass

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



Free Bread on Fridays

As you may have noticed, we have free bread available every Friday evening and Saturday, with the option of leaving a donation for Covenant House and St. Vincent de Paul Society. The bread is from Costco, and has just expired. Instead of throwing it out, a kind parishioner delivers it to St. Aidan's. Thank you for the free gift donation some of you have given to help support Covenant House. Covenant House helps youth who are homeless and trafficked to have a new start on life. For the month of January, your bread donations of \$1,259.30 was sent to Covenant House. We will be using some of the donations to support our local St. Vincent de Paul Society St Aidan Conference.



Online Movie Night, Saturday April 23, 7:00 pm

We will be watching the third part of a mini-series on the **Life of St. Teresa of Avila**. St. Teresa was one of the greatest mystics. She is a Doctor of the Church. This Series entails her conversion, transformation as well as her reform of the Carmelite Order which had fallen into tremendous laxity. **There are 8 parts to this mini-series.** Roughly every two weeks we will watch one segment. The Series is in Spanish with English subtitles. **The link** for the Series will be on our parish website. Join us from the comfort of your own home. We usually have very good discussions after each showing.





## Mama-Mia Fest

St. Aidan's Knights of Columbus is organizing a Mama-Mia Fest for the weekend of April 30 & May 1. We would appreciate all parishioners to register in advance for this mouth-watering, finger-licking, tasty take-away Dinner Box. The package will include Noodles, Special Meat Sauce/Cheese Topping/Garlic Bread along with salad and salad dressing. The food is prepared by a Certified professional Chef who is one of our Brother Knights. Other volunteers are also certified food safety handlers. We ask that you register in advance for these Dinner Boxes, for a cost of \$15 per box. The dinner boxes will be handed to you at the church hall kitchen. The proceeds of this sale will go towards two worthy causes: Share Life and Knights of Columbus Charities. We thank you in advance in anticipation of your kind support.

# For more information visit us at the foyer or call:

Mark Spanjers: 519-616-2345 Aris Dometita: 647-961-2449 Romualdo: 416-609-8658



**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.



# The Catholic Women's League of Canada St. Aidan Council's

# FOOD BANK PROJECT

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 non-perishable 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

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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 <a href="Catholic Women's League of Canada of our parish">Catholic Women's League of Canada of our parish</a>. 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 contribution to help the poor.

# Missal Reflections

Reflections on Weekly Missal Readings by J. Luis Dizon

April 17, 2022 - Witnesses of the Lord - By Luis Dizon (Click here for the reading)

During the Easter Season, the first reading for Sundays is taken from the book of Acts rather than the Old Testament. Acts chronicles the life of the early church, and how the Christianity spread from its birthplace in Jerusalem to the rest of the known world, culminating in St. Paul's voyage to Rome.

In our reading, St. Peter is preaching to the church in Judea regarding the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus. Twice, he appeals to the fact that he and the Apostles were witnesses to these things. He says this to emphasize the fact that he is not merely passing on something that he heard from others, but experienced directly. As he writes in one of his epistles, "we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty" (2 Peter 1:16).

Likewise, St. Paul, writing to the Corinthians, recounts how when Jesus was raised from the dead, "he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me" (1 Corinthians 15:5-8).

By appealing to eyewitness testimony, the Apostles assure us that the Resurrection is not a myth, or hearsay. Rather, it is a real historical event that took place in a definite place and time. And because it is a real event, it has real consequences for our lives. Paul teaches us that our eternal life depends on whether we confess and live by the reality of the Resurrection: "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).



# NOTE: There are now CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the graphics in the Bulletin Advertisers.

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