St. Aidan Church

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	PARISH STAFF Fr. Steven Szakaczki - Pastor Deacon Peter Lee - Deacon Assistant Luis Dizon - Lay Pastoral Associate Rose Ylagan - Secretary
SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES	Amable Baylosis - Custodian
Saturday - 5:00 pm (vigil)	OFFICE HOURS
Sunday - 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 noon	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday until 12:30 pm
WEEKDAY MASSES	(Also after Sunday Masses in the Gift Shop.)
Monday and Tuesday - 9:00 am	DEVOTIONS
Wednesday - 7:30 pm	SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Thursday - 9:00 am	Friday Devotions - 7:00 pm, Mass - 7:30 pm
Friday - (Ad Orientem Mass) 9:30 am	OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Adoration after 9:00 am Mass until 12:30 pm	Wednesday - 7:30 pm
(Ad Orientem Mass) 7:30 pm	ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT
Adoration from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm Mass	After the 9:30 am Friday Ad Orientem Mass, with Adoration
Saturday - 9:00 am	until 12:30 pm, and again from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM	(before the 7:30 pm Ad Orientem Mass).
Please call the Rectory well in advance for general instruction.	MINISTRIES
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION	Altar Servers - Brenda Fernandes - 647-352-2756
Saturday 4:00 - 4:50 pm and 20 minutes	Altar Society - Marie Saldanha - 416-491-9876
before every Mass, except Friday evening.	Baptism - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Couples planning to be married should contact Father	Children's Program - Phillip Francis - 416-754-8417 Counters - Gwen Faustin - 647-300-9551
Steven one year in advance. They must also receive	Eucharistic Ministers - Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707
personal preparation for entering into marriage.	Faith Sharing Group - Maurino & Olyn Alphonso - 416-564-6471
COMMUNION FOR THE SICK	First Holy Communion/Confirmation - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704
Brought to the homebound every Sunday.	Hospitality - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016
Please contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707. MASS INTENTIONS	Lectors - Delba Lewis-Noronha - 416-492-7245 Marriage Preparation - Aggie & Wilfred Gomez - 416-292-5707
See Rose Ylagan at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.	Procession Coordinator - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016
BULLETIN	R.C.I.A. (Converts) - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704
Notices must be handed in by Tuesday morning.	ShareLife/The Shepherds' Trust - Artimizia Tellis 416-491-3937
Please contact Office.	Sunday Bible Study - Maurino & Olyn Alphonso - 416-564-6471
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS St. Aidan Catholic - 3521 Finch Avenue East - Telephone: 416-393-5350	Twelve Noon Choir - Franz Braganza - 647-273-0495 Volunteers' Screening - Bettina Geniza - 416-493-0701
St. Sylvester Catholic - 260 Silver Springs Blvd Telephone: 416-393-5373	SOCIETY LEADERS
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES	Knights of Columbus - Aris Dometita, GK - 647-961-2449
See advertisers at back of bulletin or call 416-733-8544.	Catholic Women's League - Patricia Lobo - 416-895-4621
We welcome all new parishioners!	Legion of Mary - Marie J. Wo Kai Sang - 647-248-1762
Please register at the Gift Shop after all the weeekend Masses.	Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Savio Ferrao - 647-772-1319
We invite you to become involved in our Parish Ministries.	

(NOTE: CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the Bulletin graphics.)

St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time MASS INTENTIONS July 3, 2022

Saturday July 2: 5:00 pm In Honour of St. Rita Living Priests, Bishops, Nuns, Deacons and those in Purgatory Peace in Ukraine & Russia **Rita Thomas** Victims of War + Rogelio Tomas + Joe Vaz Holy Souls in Purgatory Sunday July 3: 9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Mike Fernando 10:30 am + Fr. John Fernandes 12:00 pm Pro-Populo Monday July 4: 9:00 am + Ramon Cruz Sr. **Tuesday July 5:** 9:00 am + Carmelle Harrison Wednesday July 6: 7:30 pm + Mavis Gopalan **Thursday July 7:** 9:00 am + Ben Dante Mino & Marie Colombe Mino Friday July 8: 9:30 am Celebrant's Intention 7:30 pm + Sheila & Irwin Faustin Saturday July 9: 9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

> Sanctuary Lamp Holy Souls in Purgatory



ShareLife: Let us say yes to living the Gospel Archbishop

Philip Pocock founded ShareLife in 1976 so that Catholic social service agencies could continue their life-saving work without compromising their commitment to the dignity of all human life. Forty-six years later, his successor Cardinal Collins is asking us to ensure this mission continues. *"Our faith community has always responded heroically to the needs around us, particularly through our enthusiastic support of ShareLife. We can help alleviate the suffering of those whose lives have been upended by the pandemic. Let us say yes to Jesus' call to live the Gospel by providing for those in need." - Cardinal Thomas Collins. Our goal this year is \$48,000. To date we have achieved \$23,422.95. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org.*



Dispensation from Sunday Mass No longer in effect

On March 13, 2020, Cardinal Collins issued a dispensation from Sunday Mass due to the Covid restrictions. *Given that most of the health and safety restrictions in our parishes are no longer in place and the faithful are able to attend the celebration of the Eucharist once again, the basis for the dispensation from the Sunday obligation has dissipated and is no longer in effect.* As Catholics, we are obligated to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation Masses, but the Church does not obligate people to do the impossible. If individuals, based on their conscience, cannot attend Mass for a grave reason, including a great vulnerability to COVID-19 or because they are self-isolating to limit the spread of illness, then they are excused from their Sunday obligation, as the law of the Church allows.



Online Movie Night, Saturday July 9, 7:00 pm

We will be watching the final part of a mini series on the Life of St. Teresa of Avila, a great mystic and a Doctor of the Church. *We will take a break from movie nights after this final episode.* Thank you to all of you who have joined us for our movie nights and discussions. They have been very spiritually uplifting. <u>The link</u> for the Movie Night will be on our parish website. Join us from the comfort of your own home.



Bible Study at St. Aidan's

Our online Bible Study which takes place every Sunday from 1:30 pm to 2:40 pm through Zoom. We are examining Scott Hahn's Journey and also Jeff Cavin's Bible Timeline, and the connection between Scripture and the Mass. For more information or to join, see Zoom link on our parish website. Facilitator is Maurino Alphonso.



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.



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



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace (1 Pt.4:10). Helping our less fortunate brethren is the "gift of sharing" we can experience and have contentment. Just a friendly reminder that the Thunder & Lightning Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre, will be picked up on Monday July 4, 2022. Please remember the POOR BOX on your way out of the Church. Your offering, no matter the size goes a long way. The Society of SVP counts on your continued support. May God bless you and your family.

Telephone: 647-772-1319 <u>www.svdptoronto.org/</u>



Marriage Preparation Course

The 2022 <u>Marriage Preparation Program</u> will commence on October 15, 2022. Please note this program is held once a year, hence, <u>couples planning to marry by December 2023</u> can register for it. For more information, kindly <u>contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707</u>.



Who, or what are you dressing for?

Our Catholic tradition is that we <u>dress up nice for Sunday Mass</u>. This may be somewhat uncomfortable for some people, but we do it to honour Our Eucharistic Lord. If you had a meeting or gathering with the Queen of England, would you dress for comfort, or to appeal to the opposite sex? Would you appear as if you were going to the beach or to the park? The Queen of England is as nothing compared to the King of Kings, Jesus Christ, truly present in every Catholic Church. If we make our Sunday Mass attendance an occasion to celebrate our meeting with Jesus, and we do it with great dignity, including how we dress, then God will bless our efforts to honour Him and we will be a good example to those around us.



Email Scams

There are fake emails being circulated pretending to be Chancery staff or parish clergy and soliciting donations in the form of gift cards and other items. **These are fraudulent emails sent by criminals.** Clergy and staff at the Archdiocese of Toronto and its parishes and missions do not solicit gifts by asking someone in an email to purchase gift cards. **Do not reply to these emails**, as an increased reply rate encourages more fake emails. If in doubt, contact sender by some alternate means such as <u>emailing or calling</u> the parish or chancery office associated with the sender.



Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary

The **Rosary Confraternity** is a spiritual association that forms a union of hundreds of thousands of faithful throughout the world who, along with their intentions, include the intentions and needs of all its members while they in turn pray for you. St. John Vianney once said, "If anyone has the happiness of being in the **Confraternity of the Rosary**, he has in all corners of the world brothers and sisters who pray for him." To join, go to the website <u>www.RosaryBridge.com</u>.



Knights of Columbus Installation of Officers

The <u>Knights of Columbus</u> of our parish will be having their installation of their newly elected officers **this Sunday July 3, after the 12 noon Mass**. All our Parishioners are welcome to attend this event. Some of you may be curious as to what the Knights do in our parish or you just want to show your support. Please attend this event and afterwards join us for some light refreshments.





Thank you from the CWL - Food Bank Project and Plant & Bake Sale

The <u>CWL St. Aidan Council</u> gratefully acknowledges our parishioners' ongoing donations to the Food Bank Project. As of early June, we have packed and delivered 1,300 kilograms of food to three Scarborough food banks - The <u>Good Neighbours Food Bank</u>, <u>Scarborough Centre for Health Communities</u> and <u>5N2 Kitchens</u>. Thank you for your generosity especially this time of rising prices. Your donation makes a real difference to the needy in our community. <u>This initiative has ended as of June 30.</u> Thank you also to the donors, patrons, and helpers for our CWL Plant & Bake Sale which was an enormous success. Your participation in whatever way helps the CWL support its various charities. *Thank you!!!*



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 <u>Covenant House</u> and <u>St. Vincent de Paul Society, St.</u> <u>Aidan Conference</u>. 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 and St. Vincent the Paul Society of our parish.



July 3, 2022 - Blessings and Curses - By J. Luis Dizon Click here for the reading

Isaiah is full of contrasts. On the one hand, he speaks of God chastising His people for their sins by withdrawing His protection from them and allowing them to be subjugated by foreign powers such as the Assyrians and Babylonians. On the other hand, he also speaks of comfort and blessing for them after the Exile brings about their repentance.

This contrast is clearly seen in this last chapter, which focuses on God's blessings on His people. He promises to restore to them everything they'd lost during the exile. However, this comes right before some of the most frightening words in the Old Testament. Verse 24 warns that those who choose to continually disobey God are, in effect, choosing hellfire for themselves, in the following words: "And they shall go forth and look on the dead bodies of the men that have rebelled against me; for their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh."

This highlights a theme that appears continually throughout Scripture: Blessings and curses. In the Old Testament, God promises blessings upon Israel if they believe and obey Him, but curses upon them if they disbelieve and disobey. Israel was continually rebelling against God. When God allows them to receive the consequences of their choices, they would realize their errors, repent and receive God's blessing, only to fall into sin again sometime afterwards.

The contrast between blessings and curses connects to this Sunday's Gospel reading as well, as Jesus contrasts those who receive His disciples with those who do not. Those who receive them obtain God's peace, and the Kingdom of God has come upon them. Those who do not receive them have rejected God, and if they persist in this until the end of their lives, they separate themselves eternally from Him (<u>Luke 10:1-12</u>).

At an individual level, we are also called to choose whether to follow the path of life or the path of death. The early Christians referred to this as the "Two Ways." One early Christian document called the Didache puts it this way: *"There are two Ways, one of Life and one of Death, and there is a great difference between the two Ways"* (Didache 1.1). Each of us are faced with this choice every day: To follow the way of life, or the way of death.



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