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.)

<u>St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church</u> <u>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> <u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> September 18, 2022

Saturday September 17:

5:00 pm All Clergy & Religious Maria Ouimen Alex, Mary, Bonnie, Amy Cheng + Jim Sanchez + Bernard Ho + Kwok Fai Lee + Christina delos Reyes **Deceased Members of Ho Family** Holy Souls in Purgatory **Sunday September 18:** 9:00 am + Chung-Hon & Piu-Ching Ngan 10:30 am + Dyciolin Chua 12:00 pm Pro-Populo **Monday September 19:** 9:00 am + Ben Dante Mino and Marie Colombe Mino **Tuesday September 20:** 9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ylagan and McCleod Wednesday September 21:

7:30 pm Deceased Members of Ferrao Family

Thursday September 22:

9:00 am + Patrick Edward Henry Harrison, Lucette Cloutier & Isobel Harrison Brown

Friday September 23:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm + Maria Olga de Souza

Saturday September 24:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention



Yearly Life Chain

Please mark your calendars and join us for our annual <u>Life Chain</u> which will take place on <u>Sunday October 2nd, from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm</u>, around the corners of Warden and Finch. Join us in this prayerful, silent witness to the sanctity of human life and in encouraging couples to keep their unborn child or to give it up for adoption, which is the loving option. This event will be organized by the Knights of Columbus of our Parish.



Stewardship Sunday

Our Cardinal Thomas Collins has designated <u>Stewardship Sunday</u> throughout the Archdiocese to occur annually on the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time. <u>That's this weekend</u>. Part of the reason for this annual event is to remind us that we are all stewards of the gifts and talents that God has given to us, and if we are able, we should become more active in sharing with others, in serving God and our community. We encourage everyone to consider becoming more involved in our parish by joining one of the parish groups or ministries. Various groups will have a display after Sunday Masses on Stewardship Sunday, where you can find more information. We will also have an information sheet, on which you can indicate the ministries you might be interested in. *Someone from the groups you express interest in, will contact you to give you more information*.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thanksgiving is on October 10th. Please consider helping the <u>Knights of Columbus</u> of our parish in their **Thanksgiving Food Drive** by bringing in non-perishable food items starting <u>from</u> <u>the weekend of September 17/18 to October 9th</u>. Food items can be placed in the foyer of the church. The food will be delivered to local charities and food banks. Thank you for your contributions.



Beggars Outside the Church

Please do not give any money to beggars outside the church. There are many agencies and food banks where they can get help for whatever they need. They all give you sad story to make you feel sorry for them. Don't fall for it. Say a prayer for them or direct them to the <u>St.</u> <u>Vincent de Paul Society</u> but don't give them any money. If people give them money, they become more demanding, pushy, dependent on begging and more likely to steal.



Rosary Rally

Once again, you are all invited with family and friends for the annual Public Rosary Rally to <u>be held on Saturday October 15 at 12 noon</u>. *Please save the date!* This will take place by the side of St. Aidan Church facing the Finch Avenue Road. Our Nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save Canada through the Rosary of His most Holy Mother.

Requiescat in Pace

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bernabe Rosalin Casilang Jr.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Wishing to become Catholic, or Catholics who need to be Confirmed Consider signing up for RCIA (<u>Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults</u>) Course which will be starting soon. <u>*Please contact Fr. Steven*</u>.



St. Vincent de Paul

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"Lord, help me to make time to serve You in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance." - St. Vincent de Paul. <u>The Society of SVP, St. Aidan Conference</u>, sincerely **APPRECIATE** and **THANK** you for your kind contribution to the <u>POOR BOX</u>, to ALL those who made the Thunder & Lightning casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre and to all those who contributed to the Bundle Up Weekend. May God Bless you for your kind generosity and for making St. Aidan's community a witness to the presence of Christ in serving the poor and the marginalized.

Tel: 647-772-1319 www.svdtoronto.org

<u>Stewardship Sunday: September 17th and 18th</u>. We welcome you to visit us at the St. Vincent de Paul table, know more about the Society and we look forward for you to joining our team! God Bless!!!



Walking Pilgrimage from St Aidan's

October is dedicated to honouring Our Lady of the Rosary. You are invited to join Fr. Steven in walking to **Epiphany of Our Lord parish** <u>on Saturday, October 8th</u>. *We will meet outside of St. Aidan's and leave St. Aidan's at 10:00 am.* We will not walk on the main road. It is about a half an hour walk to Epiphany, and another half hour to walk back. Once there we will gather outside their church by the statue of Our Lady. We will walk rain or shine. If there is a threat of lighting, we will cancel the walk.



Needs of the Church in Canada Special Collection, September 24-25

The <u>Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB)</u> is involved in national and international areas of pastoral activity, including social justice, ecumenical and interfaith relations, collaboration with aboriginal Peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and relations with Catholic associations and movement. Each year, the CCCB is asked to speak out, show leadership or provide guidelines for the faithful on a wide variety of topics. In order for our bishops to be able to make proper judgements on modern topics, they must have the benefit of research, expert advice and capable administration which is also funded by this collection. In addition to contributions, we are also asked to pray for the work of the bishops and to participate in the various projects of the CCCB.



Children's Liturgy During the 10:30 am Sunday Mass

We are restarting our <u>Children's Liturgy</u> for young preschoolers <u>during the 10:30 am Sunday</u> <u>Mass, starting this Sunday, September 18</u>. The children will be supervised in one of our meeting rooms by qualified adults who will engage the children in various activities, such as coloring, crafts, or reading a story at the children's level. If you would like for your child to participate in this program, please gather in the foyer of the church just before 10:30 am on Sundays.



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>.



Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection - October 1/2

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1/2 to support the **Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund**. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of this Land. The fund was the result of a \$30 million financial commitment made by the Canadian Bishops in September 2021. Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey.

For more information or to donate online, visit:

https://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation. Thank you for your generosity.



Youth Group Meeting September 23rd

Our next youth group meeting will be on the fourth Friday of the month (September 23rd) at

<u>7:00 pm</u>. Be sure to come out, as we spend the next few sessions discussing how to live a Christian life.

For more information, contact Luis Dizon at 647-862-6717 or <u>luis.dizon@mail.utoronto.ca</u>.



CWL Autumn Bazaar Saturday October 22, 2022

The <u>Catholic Women's League</u> of our parish is organizing an Autumn Bazaar on Saturday October 22, from 9.30 am to 3:00 pm in the Church Parking Lot and inviting parishioners/vendors to participate. Parishioners/ vendors who wish to sell their items and services can rent tables for \$25 each. <u>Please submit your table reservation by October 9th</u> detailing your activity to Gwyneth Faustin at <u>gwenfaustin@gmail.com</u> or Shirley D'mello at <u>shirley.dmello14@gmail.com</u>. For additional information, you may contact Gwen Faustin 647-300-9551 or Shirley D'Mello 647-463-6674.



September 18, 2022 - Pursuing Justice - By J. Luis Dizon

Click here for this Sunday's Reading

Amos lived in the northern kingdom of Israel around the 8th century BC. God commissioned him as a prophet to warn Israel of their impending punishment for breaking God's law. Among their many sins included idolatry, as well as trusting in foreign powers rather than God, and various economic injustices.

Today's reading focuses on the injustice of Israel's merchants. They seek to defraud the poor by using dishonest scales to cheat them in their business deals. They also show no regard for the Sabbath, as they wait impatiently for the Sabbath to end so that they may resume business. Most of all, they devour the poor by buying them and enslaving them.

Because of this, God declared that He would destroy Israel. The verses following our reading describe His punishment:

"And on that day," says the Lord God, "I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day. (Amos 8:9-10)

We know from history that punishment did come upon Israel: In 720 BC, King Sargon II conquered the remaining territory of the northern kingdom, including its capital Samaria. Thus, Israel was put to an end (cf. <u>1 Kings 17</u>).

This reading teaches us that God is concerned with justice, fairness, and care for the poor. He gave his Law as a means of ensuring justice among the people of Israel. The principles found in it are still relevant today, as they teach us how to pursue justice, and God still expects us to pursue justice for our neighbour, especially the poor. As He says elsewhere in Amos:

But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. (Amos 5:24)



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