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#### **Vocation Seeds**

Jesus cleaned out the temple of money-changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He spoke with authority. He was doing what He had to do even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a religious vocation in the Church. If you think God might be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997

email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### ShareLife

# You bring love and hope to young mothers through ShareLife

Many young women who are unexpectedly pregnant don't know where to turn for help. Through your support for ShareLife, our agencies ensure thay have the resources they need to keep their education on track, provide their babies a healthy start, and create a bright future.

"I have no words to describe what it means to be a recipient of your generosity," shares Arielle, a grateful young mother you support through Vita Centre. "I have a better mental state now. I know that my baby is healthy because of it, too."

ShareLife Sunday is March17. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$63,200.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate.

#### **Lenten Parish Confession**

If you haven't been to confession in a while, it is a good idea to go before Easter. Many people wait till the last minute. One of the Precepts of the Church is that we go to confession around Easter time. Take advantage of the extra confession times that parishes will offering during the weeks of March 11 to 16 and March 18 to 23. Parish Confessions at St. Aidan's will take place on Tuesday, March 12 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We plan to have three priests hearing confessions.

## Join the Knights of Columbus Now!

Following Mass, men aged 18 and above are cordially welcomed to join our organization, which is dedicated to serving, upholding Catholic values, and nurturing brotherhood. Engage in charitable endeavors and community service projects. Don't miss the opportunity to meet State Deputy Bro Bruce Poulin on March 10 at the 12 noon Mass. Embrace a tradition of impactful service and faith-driven camaraderie.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

## **Saturday March 2:**

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving of Malcolm & Colleen

Denise Ebalo

+Ezabel & Domenic Vaz

+William Robinson

All Souls in Purgatory

## Sunday March 3:

9:00 am +Joseph Attar

10:30 am Deceased Members of Patterson and

Nugara Families

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

## **Monday March 4:**

9:00 am +In Thanksgiving of Consolacion Joven

## **Tuesday March 5:**

9:00 am +Paul Kar Chu Leung

## Wednesday March 6

7:30 pm Birthday Blessings for Cecilia Enriquez

In Thanksgiving of Rodis Conversion of China

Living & Deceased Bishops, Priests, Nuns

and Religious

+Clara & Charlaine Pereira

## **Thursday March 7:**

9:00 am +Neville Pereira

#### Friday March 8:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm Birthday Blessings for Logan Lacuna

#### **Saturday Mar 9:**

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

## **Stations of the Cross During Lent**

One great way to deepen our spiritual life during Lent is praying the Stations of the Cross. Every Friday during the season of Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross after the Friday evening 7:30 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to participate.

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## **Volunteers Needed for Parish Library**

Our Parish Library opened in May 2023, and we now have 72 members and close to 400 different book and DVD titles. (Please do check a book out if you haven't already). As this ministry grows, we need more volunteers for about 20 minutes after each weekend Mass to help sign-up new members and to manage book borrowings and returns. Ideally, we'd like three volunteers per Mass with one of them scheduled on a rotating basis to volunteer each week. This will ensure we always have adequate coverage if someone is away. If you are interested, please email Patricia Lobo at <a href="mailto:staidansparishlibrary@gmail.com">staidansparishlibrary@gmail.com</a> specifying how often you can volunteer and for which weekend Mass. Thank you.

## Our Lady wants to visit your home.

St. Aidan's parish has a small replica pilgrim statue of Our Lady of the Cape that parishioners can request to visit their home and have your family and friends gather to pray and obtain more of Our Lady's intercessory blessings, please contact:

Naomi Patterson 647-380-4942 or Gwen Faustin 647-772-1319

## St. Anthony's Novena Masses

St. Anthony's Tuesday Novena Masses will start on Tuesday March 19 at 7:30 pm followed by Novena Prayers to St. Anthony and Benediction. 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 Masses.

## **Lenten Day of Reflection**

The CWL of our parish are organizing a day of Reflection on Saturday March 16, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Our guest speaker is Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan. Fr. Joseph is a Professor of Theology and Scripture at the University of Toronto and Saint Augustine's Seminary. He is also one of the Parish Priests at the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. He will speak on the Topic: "Walking with Jesus from Gethsemane to Golgotha." Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

#### Coins for Life 2024

You are invited to put aside toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during this Lenten Season in order to help support and promote the Culture of Life in Canada. Please collect your container on the weekend of March 9/10 in the foyer and return with your donations on the weekend of April 6/7 which is Mercy Sunday in the gift shop. Thank you in advance for your support! This Fund raiser helps make possible the National March for Life in Ottawa, which will be on May 9. For more information about Coins for Life Campaign Life Coalition please call 416 204 9749 or visit www.coinsforlife.org.

## **Bundle Up Weekend March 2/3**

The St. Vincent de Paul collection bin will be at the back of the church parking lot this weekend; March 2-3. If you wish to drop off clothing, footwear or bedding you can place it in the bin. Please note that they do not accept: appliances, furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction materials, or videotapes. For more information visit <a href="www.ssvptoronto.ca">www.ssvptoronto.ca</a> Thank you for participating in the bundle-up collection for our Neighbours in Need.

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul Tel: 647 772 1319 www.svdptoronto.org

We lose everything that we leave behind us in this world; we can bring with us only a right to a reward for our charity and the alms we have given.

May God Bless you. We greatly appreciate your kind generosity in helping to make a difference..

# Spiritus East Young Adult Talk, Adoration & Fellowship (ages 19 - 35)

"(Re)discovering Who We Are: God's Answer to the Question of Identity" Who am I? It's question a that can feel at times as confusing as it is obvious, or as elusive as it is important. What does our Creator have to say about our identity? In this talk, we'll look at the beautiful answer that emerges from God's Revelation. We'll consider the limitations of so many of the assumptions behind our approach to identity today, understanding better why those approaches leave us feeling incomplete and unsatisfied. Join us Wednesday March 13th, at St. Thomas More Parish (2234 Ellesmere Rd). Invite a friend and see you there! For more information or to get involved, please contact Samantha Goh, Eastern Region Young Adult Minister at spirituseast@gmail.com or 416 -599-7676.