FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation Seeds

Do not be afraid. If the lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u> www.vocationstoronto.ca

Jubilee Celebrations

Please note, for those interested in obtaining a Jubilee indulgence, requirements include receiving the Sacrament of reconciliation, attending Mass and offering prayers for the intention of the Holy Father,. Confession will be offered at least one hour prior to all celebrations noted below - all Masses will begin at 7:00 pm.

Celebrations in the Central Region will take place as follows:

Wednesday, February 12 - St Paul's Basilica (Bishop Kasun to preside)

Thursday, February 20 - St. Mary's Parish, Toronto (130 Bathurst St.) (Bishop Kasun to preside)

Tuesday, February 25 - St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York (Cardinal Leo to preside)

Celebration in the Eastern Region will take place as follows:

Wednesday, February 19 - St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough (Cardinal Leo to preside

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You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you. - John Bunyan

God never sends anyone trials too heavy to bear; and he is with those in distress. Since this is certain, you need fear nothing, but rely on his mercy. - St. Teresa of Avila

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 8:

5:00 pm Birthday Blessings for Jose Dias In Thanksgiving of Loong Family Robin Chung

Those in Authorities

+Ferdinand D'Souza

+Nemesio & Angelo Nicholas

+Neville Pereira

Sunday February 9:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

10:30 am +Luk Jan Nigli

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Monday February 10:

9:00 am +Eileen Fanning

Tuesday February 11:

9:00 am +Elizabeth Leung Lyson

Wednesday February 12:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Luisa Mathias

In Thanksgiving of Debora Patterson

+Joseph Punrose

+Felipe Dias

+Emmylou Villanueva

+Paul Berguia

+Leonardo & Dolores Tubongbanua

Thursday February 13:

9:00 am Birthday Blessings for Liza Rojo

Friday February 14:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intentions

7:30 pm +Ely & Danny Sanchez

Saturday February 15:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intentions

Great love can change small things into great ones. It is only love that leads value to our actions. - St. Faustina Kowalska

Valentine's Day Dinner & Dance

The Knights of Columbus will be holding our annual Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance on Saturday February 15, at 6:30 pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$50.00 each. To purchase or reserve one, please contact either GK Luis Dizon (647-862-6717) 0r SK Wilfred Gomez (416-388-0478).

Chess Tournament

St. Aidan's Church will host a Chess Tournament to help raise funds for a pilgrimage to Portugal for the members of the FNE (Federation of North American Explorers), which is a Catholic Scouting organization. The Chess Tournament is open to all ages but there is an entrance fee of \$50 for those under age 16, and \$75 for those 16 and older. Parents are welcome to accompany their children. The tournament will be Swiss Style, not elimination format, which means that contestants can continue playing for the duration of the tournament. It will take place at St. Aidan's Parish Hall on Saturday March 8 from 11 am to 3 pm. Based on 50 participants, the first place prize will be \$500, second place \$200, and third place \$175. Please register by March 1 at FNEChess2025@gmail.com Please bring a chess set and timer, to the tournament, if you have them. Time allotment for games will be 10 minutes for each player. Light refreshments will be available for participants.

St. Aidan Parish Library Book of the Month

Lessons in Love, by Anne a Lay Apostle. This book highlights the importance of loving others with the unconditional love that Jesus has for each one of us.

Anne discusses some frequently asked and challenging questions about our Catholic faith, guiding us in our interactions with non-Christians.

Come and visit your parish library after every weekend Mass and borrow this book and other books from our wonderful collection.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary invites everyone to attend their monthly Patrician meeting which will be conducted on third Saturday of the month in the church hall, after the 9:00 am morning Mass. This month, the topic will be "St. John the Baptist" and will be held on Saturday, February 15 from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The purpose of a Patrician meeting is to enhance our knowledge and our ability to speak confidently and persuasively about our Catholic beliefs. We invite our parish family to come and learn more about our Catholic faith, in a friendly and social atmosphere. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be served.

Holy Water

Catholics are encouraged to use holy water in their homes. Hopefully, you were able to bless your homes on the feast of the Epiphany. Water is a natural symbol of purification and life. Water that has been blessed is efficacious in warding off evil spirits, preserving us from sin, and even sickness. Holy water is also a good source of obtaining more of God's blessings and graces, especially when we bless ourselves with it. You are welcome to take Holy water from our holy water font. You can use your own small bottle or container to get holy water or you can purchase a small container from our gift shop. The holy water is on the left-hand side of the church, close to the pieta statue.

Sayings of the Saints

Prayer is the inner bath of love into which the soul plunges itself. - St. John Mary Vianney

Love ought to show itself in deeds more than words. - St. Ignatius of Loyola

Act and God will act; work and he will work. - St. Joan of Arc

Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues; hence, in the soul in which this virtue does not exist, there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance. - St. Augustine

2025 Donation Envelopes

Please pick up your 2025 Donation Envelopes arranged in numerical order. If you can not remember your envelope number, one of us from the gift shop can gladly help you. New parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes please register in the gift shop.