FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Holy Week Schedule

The times of the Holy Triduum are the following: Holy Thursday, April 17 - 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (no morning Mass)

Good Friday, April 18 - 12:00 noon, 3:00pm (Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00pm)

Holy Saturday, April 19 - 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (no morning or afternoon Mass)

Lenten Parish Confession

If you haven't been to confession for a while, it is a good idea to go before Easter. Many people wait till the last minute. Take advantage of the extra confession times that parishes will be offering during the next couple of weeks. Parish Confessions at St. Aidan's will take place on Monday, April 7 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We will try to have three priests available for hearing confessions.

Veiling of the Statues

A long-standing tradition of the Church is to veil statues two weeks prior to Easter. This period is called Passiontide, and during this time we are called to focus more on the passion of Christ. This veiling is part of the Church's Lenten penance of depriving ourselves of beautiful images, just as we deprived ourselves of the Alleluia and the Glory to God. It is also a reminder to us that the mysteries of our faith, and the things that we hope for in the afterlife, are veiled from us for the time being.

Jubilee Year Prayers

During the season of Lent we will be reciting the Jubilee year prayer at all Sunday Masses. Be sure to take a prayer card from the entrance of the church and bring it with you for Mass. You are encouraged to recite the prayer on your own at other times also.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 5:

5:00 pm In Honour of St. Anthony Birthday Blessings for Patrick Martinez In Thanksgiving of Angelo Family +Wilfred Pinto +Reginald Jeyaseelan Thupaisamy +Neville Pereira +Mamta Kusmari +Goretti Pan Cratium

Deceased Members of Liemidhi Family

Sunday April 6:

9:00 am +Antonio & Esterina Volpe

10:30 am +Aloysius Kar On Leung

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Monday April 7:

9:00 am +Elizabeth Kar On Leung

Tuesday April 8:

- 9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family
- 7:30pm St. Anthony Novena Mass

Wednesday April 9:

7:30 pm Birthday Blessings for Gloria Ebalo Kim Soo Hzun +Dina & Alejandro Amajao Sr. +Luke Jan Nigli + Ernesto Jose +Manuel Sr. & Felisa Tan

Thursday April 10:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Kimmy Kong

Friday April 11:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intentions

7:30 pm +Fr. Emmanuel Bertrand, OP

Saturday April 12:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intentions

Pontifical Collection for the Church in the Holy Land

The Good Friday collections are an initiative of the Holy See to help maintain Christian sites in the Holy Land as well as to provide pastoral, educational, and social work among the Christian population there. Thank you for your contributions.

Stations of the Cross

Let us reflect on Jesus' Passion & Death on Good Friday by walking the sorrowful journey with Him. All parishioners are invited to attend the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 18, at 7:30 pm.

Divine Mercy Novena and Feast

Appearing to St. Faustina, Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the novena, and we are all invited to pray this novena. At St. Aidan's the public recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Novena prayers will continue till the feast day which is the following Sunday. In Honour of the Divine Mercy we will have a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm on Sunday April 27th, followed by a reception in the Hall with light refreshments. Everyone is invited to participate. Please see the Poster for the scheduled time of the novena.

March for Life in Ottawa

St. Aidan Knights of Columbus is organizing a day trip to Ottawa on Thursday May 8, for the 28th Annual National March for Life. We depart St. Aidan Church at 6:30 am to Parliament Hill, Ottawa and will return by 9:30 pm. We will start the day with a Mass at St. Aidan's at 5:45 am. The cost is \$60 per person. Please see the Knights in the foyer or contact Luis Dizon (647-862-6717) or Wilfred Gomez (416-388-0478).

CWL St. Aidan Easter Basket Fundraising

Win and hop away with an Easter Basket full of goodies to add to your Easter celebration. Purchase your raffle tickets by visiting the CWL table in the foyer after all weekend masses starting March 29 until April 19. Cost of raffle tickets range from \$5 for 3 tickets to \$20 for 12 tickets. Winning tickets will be drawn on Easter Sunday after the 12 noon mass. All proceeds go to CWL charities.

Movie Night

Thanks to our Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus our next Movie Night will be on Saturday April 12, right after the 5:00 pm Mass, starting at around 6:15. We will be showing Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of Christ" which most of you have probably seen already. It is worth watching again and having a discussion about it as we prepare to commemorate the passion of Christ in Holy Week. We will have a group discussion halfway through the movie and at the end of the movie. The movie is roughly two hours long. The Movie Nights are free. We will be selling pizza and popcorn with water for \$5. If you know you will be attending and requesting pizza, please register in advance at our Gift Shop so they know how much pizza to order.

Bundle –Up for St. Vincent de Paul April 12 -13, 2025

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will collect gently used clothing, shoes, and linens on the weekend of April 12-13 to support our Neighbours in Need (NINs). Please bring your donation to the truck/bin parked at the back of the church parking lot. The collection bin will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Volunteers will be available to assist with loading before and after each Mass. Properly secure your bags to keep the items safe. Appliances, baby or standard furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, building materials, and video tapes are not accepted. For more information, please visit <u>www.ssvptoronto.ca.</u> Thank you for your continued support!

Karaoke Night & Dinner

You are cordially invited to a delightful evening with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League to celebrate the joy of the Easter Season. Connect with friends and family while singing along to your favorite songs at St. Aidan's Parish Hall on Saturday May 10th, 6:30 to 10:30 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 per person, and are available in the church foyer after weekend Masses starting April 5.

For inquiries, please contact Wilfred Gomez at 416 292 5707, Luis Dizon at 647 862 6717, or Rosario Dizon at 416 731 0484.

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