

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation Seeds

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven...” Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

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ShareLife

Thank You for your generous contributions to our Parish ShareLife Campaign for 2025. Our total Collection was \$75,865.95. Our goal was \$67,000. May God reward you for your generosity and for all the charitable works that you have made possible through the numerous agencies supported by ShareLife.

Turning Right from Parking Lot

Due to the ever-greater accumulation of snow, the narrowing of our parking spaces as well as the width of the driveway, we ask that when driving out of the parking lot, you only turn right. Do not turn left, you will be holding up the cars behind you. If you need to go left, turn right and you can go around the block or you can pull into the front of the school next door where they have a roundabout, and you can turn left there. Also try not to stop traffic in front of the church by dropping people off or picking them up. It is an act of kindness for you to want to do that for your loved ones, but it is also an act of kindness towards other parishioners that you do not block the flow of traffic. Thank you for your cooperation.

New Altar Servers

Students who have already made their First Holy Communion can apply to become an Altar Server. Training has already started and will continue every Saturday at 3:00 pm inside the church until new applicants are trained. If you have any questions, please speak to Fr. Steven.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 31:

5:00 pm Special Blessings for Jenny and Callista Philips
+Hilary Lee
+Magdaline Severimuthu
+Jessie Benedict
+John Sequeira
+Silvano, David & Lynn Ferreira
+Sal Badali
Souls in purgatory

Sunday February 1:

9:00 am +Anita Tan

10:30 am +Florie D'Souza

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday February 2:

9:00 am +David Hogg

Tuesday February 3:

9:00 am +Paul Kar Chu Leung

Wednesday February 4:

7:30 pm Liberto Yap
Birthday Blessings for Carla Denise Ebalo
Those in Authorities
+Nestor Duque
+Luis Gonzaga Bezerra Nunez

Thursday February 5:

9:00 am +Dina & Alejandro Sr. Anajao

Friday February 6:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Pearl Radcliffe and Family

Saturday February 7:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

A true Christian may almost be defined as one who has a ruling sense of God's presence within.-St. John Henry Newman

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Influence of Music

We will have a presentation on how different genres of music impact our intellect, emotion, behaviour and spirituality. Our speakers, Fr. Steven and neuroscientist Prof. Gan, will explore the implications of music preference and engagement of early childhood education, youth psychosocial development, and spiritual growth for all ages. Please join us in the parish hall on Saturday, February 7 after the 9:00 AM Mass and Rosary. The talk will begin at 10:30 AM and will be followed by a Q&A period. Light refreshments will be available.

Candlemas Candles

Monday, February 2 is the Feast of Candlemas. On this day candles will be blessed. The blessed candles provided by the church will be available for a few days in the back of the church. A suggested donation to help cover the cost of the candles is \$3. You can also bring your own candles to Mass on that day, keeping them with you, and they will also be blessed.

St. Aidan Book Club Meeting

The St. Aidan Book Club is meeting on February 3, Tuesday at 6:30 pm. We will be discussing the book *Searching for and Maintaining Peace* by Fr. Jacques Philippe. This classic work is a short treatise on peace of heart in a world where restlessness and anxiety too often take the place of the confidence and peace which ought to be ours. No need to register. For more information, contact Rosario at 416-731-0484.

Valentine's Dinner Dance

The annual Valentine's Dinner Dance will take place on February 14th, hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Tickets are being sold for \$50 at the front foyer every weekend leading up to the event. Further details on the poster and website.

CWL Membership Drive

The Catholic Women's League of Canada, St. Aidan's Council will have their membership drive on the weekend of February 7 & 8. CWL representatives will be at the foyer to provide more information. Consider joining the Catholic Women's League for the opportunity to serve God and country.

No Foreign Currency in Collection

Please do not put foreign currency into the collection basket. The only currencies that we can accept are Canadian and American. We cannot exchange any other currency, especially if it is just loose change. Note that if you place any other currency into the offertory envelopes, we can not give you a receipt for it because we cannot deposit it. In reality you are not giving anything, not offering anything at the Mass.

Ministry of Greeters

We are starting a new ministry of greeters before Sunday Masses. Although our ushers do some of this already, we wish to have a separate ministry of just welcoming people to the parish. The requirement is to be present 20 minutes before Sunday Mass, in the foyer of the church, to greet and welcome parishioners, and to answer questions for those seeking information. Please speak to Fr. Steven if you are interested.

Official Consecration to Jesus through Mary

Fr. Steven, in conjunction with the Legion of Mary, is encouraging everyone to participate in St. Louis Marie de Montfort's method of consecration. This has been promoted by many saints and popes. It requires 33 days of intense preparation, about 10 minutes of daily prayer and scripture reading. We hope to get all our parishioners to do this. There are tremendous benefits to the individual who undertakes this method of consecration, to his or her family and to the community at large. The days of preparation will begin on February 20 and the consecration will be done communally at St. Aidan's Church on the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Wednesday March 25th. We have booklets available for \$5, in our Gift Shop, that facilitate the daily prayers and readings which you should be doing on your own.

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When one gives, two get happy.— Amit Kalantri

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