

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is it okay if I am late for Mass?

Attending Mass on Sundays (or Sat. evening) is a precept of the Church; it is referred to as our Sunday obligation. It is part of how we observe the Commandment "To keep holy the Sabbath", which for us is Sunday, the Lord's Day. Our attendance at Sunday Mass is the most important event of one's entire week, it will benefit you more for this life and for eternity than anything else. Every aspect of Sunday Mass is extremely important for us. If you are too late for Mass, you will not have fulfilled your Sunday obligation! If you are late due to some unforeseen incident, such as a car accident, you might have a legitimate excuse, but if you are consistently late, you are indicating that you don't really value the Mass, or understand its importance. If you are too late for Mass, you will have missed some essential parts of the Mass, such as the penitential rite, and perhaps also the readings, and homily. This means that you will have failed to observe your Sunday obligation and are no longer in a state of grace and cannot receive Holy Communion until you have gone to confession.

Alpha

Interested in exploring the Christian faith or just want to understand your faith better?

Have questions about life, faith, or the Catholic Church? Alpha is a welcoming series where anyone can explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, friendly setting. Whether you're considering becoming Catholic, returning to the Church, or simply curious to learn more, you are welcome. Alpha includes nine Tuesday evening weekly sessions and a retreat day on August 29.

Each session includes:

- Dinner and fellowship
- An engaging presentation on key aspects of life and faith
- Small-group discussion where you can share your thoughts and ask question

First Session: July 21 at 6:45 pm to 8:30 pm in St. Aidan Parish Hall.

We are also looking for volunteers and food sponsors to support Alpha.

For more information, to register, or to volunteer, please contact Edith Vasquez at 416-493-6608. Everyone is welcome - we look forward to seeing you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday July 18:

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving of Sugianto Tonojo
Birthday Blessings for Marcelle Attar
Ricardo Marsala
Deceased Members of Patterson and
Nugara Families
+Simon Monteiro
+Joseph & Shirley De Souza
+Cristito Colina
+Pedro Padillo
+Clifford Thomas

Sunday July 19:

8:30am Hogg Family

10:30 am +Teresa Koon Lai Wah Leung

12:30 pm Pro-Populo

Monday July 20:

9:00 am +Clara & Charlaire Pereira

Tuesday July 21:

9:00 am +Theresa Foong Yin & Thomas Wong
Hok Khian

Wednesday July 22:

7:30 pm De Souza Family
Urban Sr. Retnasingham
+Philomena Joseph
+William Craig
+Clifford Murzello
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday July 23:

9:00 pm In thanksgiving of Dominique Low

Friday July 24:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intentions

7:30 pm +Florian D'Souza

Saturday July 25:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intentions

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Vocation Seeds

“The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought...” For five minutes today rest with Jesus and ask Him what He requires of you. If God is calling you, to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life, contact Fr. David Twatle, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

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

Get Involved - Become a Member!

The St. Aidan Conference of the Society of St. Vincent the Paul is holding a membership drive after all Masses this weekend Jul 18/19. Christ's powerful message in Matthew 25 reminds us that our true calling is to uplift the vulnerable: “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for Me.” We invite you to channel your compassion into action by joining our mission. By sharing your unique time, talents, and resources, you can directly comfort those in need and walk closely in Jesus' footsteps. Please connect with our dedicated members in the foyer to discover how your hands and heart can make a lasting difference.

Mission Appeal August 1-2

Each year, the Mission Office of our Archdiocese invites missionary group to every parish to share their mission work. On the weekend of Aug.1-2, we welcome the Foundation for Children in Need (FCN), a lay Catholic organization based in Arlington Heights, IL. FCN serves the poor in the villages of India. Tom Chitta, the founder of FCN, will share about their work. FCN sponsors 1500 children and college students for their education, and 100 elderly for safe and peaceful living. Over the past 11 years, FCN has provided free corrective surgeries for 2300 children born with cleft lip and cleft palate. We welcome Tom and encourage you to generously support their missionary endeavors. There will be a second collection taken up the weekend of Aug.1-2. Envelopes for this collection are at the back of the church. To learn more about FCN, please visit:
www.fcn-usa.org

Volunteers Needed for Parish Library

The parish library needs volunteers so it can open consistently for 15-20 minutes after each weekend Mass. This will allow parishioners to browse through and borrow from our interesting selection of 600+ books and DVDs for kids, teens and adults.

Ideally, we'd like three volunteers per Mass with each of them scheduled on a rotating weekly basis. This will also ensure we have adequate coverage if someone is away.

If you can volunteer for this ministry, please email staidansparishlibrary@gmail.com or call Patricia Lobo at 416-895-4621 specifying how often you can volunteer and for which weekend Mass. Thank you

St. Jacobs Farmers' Market

St. Aidan's Social Committee invites you to join us for a day trip to St. Jacobs Farmers' Market, in Kitchener, Ontario on Sunday August 22. Bus leaves from St. Aidan parking lot at 8:00 am and returns at 7:30 pm. The cost is 60 per person. At St. Jacobs, you can enjoy a ride on 'Country Wagon' fun filled hour and later explore an abundance of meats and cheeses, farm fresh produce, home baked goods, international foods and a spectacular flea market at Canada's largest farmers' market. Indoor farm fresh fun for the entire family. Registration from July 18 to August 16 after all weekend Masses.

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As we work to create light for others, we naturally light our own way. - Mary Anne Radmarcher

Thank You

The members of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, St. Aidan Council would like to thank parishioners for their donations of plants and baked goods as well as for coming out to support our Plant and Bake Sale last June 20. The fundraiser was a HUGE Success!

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