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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO

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## New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

## Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are held on the 4th Sunday of every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

## Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM  
Every 2nd & 4th Friday: 7:30 PM  
(or by appointment)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Closed Daily: 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

## MASS

Sunday Eucharist  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)  
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON  
*Children's Liturgy at: 10:00 a.m. Mass*

### Weekday Eucharist

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM  
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:00 AM

## DEVOTIONS

### Holy Hour

Fridays (excluding holidays) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 6:40

### Divine Mercy

Fridays (excluding holidays) 3:00 PM

## PARISH LIFE

Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132  
Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457  
Ministry of Consolation & Hope 905-822-8132 ext. 3  
RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 4  
St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5  
Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

## SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183  
St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115  
Christ the King 905-569-0220

# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 21, 2018

## **"Are you able to drink the cup that I drink?"**

Who doesn't want to be first, and to be esteemed and honored by others? We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule our own lives as we please as well as the lives of others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority? James and John, the sons of Zebedee, urged their mother to strike a deal with Jesus, their Master and Messiah. They wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus, of course!

### **Jesus turns authority and power upside down**

When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus wedded authority with love, position with sacrifice, and service with humility. Authority without love is over-bearing and slavish. Position without respect and concern for the subordinate is demeaning and rude. And service without generosity and sacrifice is cheap and unkind.

Those who wish to serve with the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's kingdom must be prepared to sacrifice - not just some of their time, money, and resources - but their whole lives and all that they possess! Jesus used stark language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. The cup he had in mind was a bitter one involving crucifixion. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails physical suffering and the painful struggle of martyrdom. But for many, it entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles, and temptations.

### **Christ's way of love and service**

A disciple of Jesus must be ready to lay down his or her life - each and every day in the little and big sacrifices required - and even to the point of shedding one's blood if necessary for the sake of Christ and his Gospel. What makes such sacrifice a joy rather than a burden? It is love - the kind of "love which God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). An early church father summed up Jesus' teaching with the expression: "to serve is to reign with Christ." We share in God's reign by laying down our lives in humble service and love for one another, just as Jesus did for our sake. Are you ready to lay down your life and to serve others as Jesus has taught and modeled for us?

*"Lord Jesus, make me a servant of love for your kingdom, that I may seek to serve rather than be served. In flame my heart with love that I may give generously and serve joyfully for your sake."*

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### **ROSES FOR LIFE**

The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Peace Council #8668 would like to extend a most heartfelt "Thank You" to all Parishioners that generously donated to the Roses for Life campaign. We received a total of \$1,170.95 on the Roses for Life weekend. All monies will be donated to Birthright Mississauga. For more information on this organization please contact Anna Jushkevich Birthright Mississauga at 905 273-9409 [ajushkevich@hotmail.com](mailto:ajushkevich@hotmail.com).

### **COME & SEE WEEKEND**

St. Augustine's Seminary is hosting a "Come & See Weekend" for men 18 years and older November 2-4. Join others and cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. For more information call 416-968-0997 or email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

Mass  for the  
Intentions *Week*

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 22 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23 – 8:00 A.M.**

Intention Available

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24 – 7:00 P.M.**

+ Intention Available

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25 – 8:00 A.M.**

In reparation for offenses committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Danielle Schmalz

+ Norma Kiekebelt

+ Leslie Hetyey

**SUNDAY, OCT. 28 – 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8.30 A.M.** S.I. Parish Community

**10:00 A.M.** Intention Available

**12:00 P.M.** + Circuscao & Etelvina Rodrigues

+ Mateo Lombardi



**MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST**

On Sunday, November 3 join us for our 42nd Magnificat breakfast for women. Treat your mother, sister, colleague, friend or yourself to an inspirational morning that includes

a hot breakfast, songs of praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker. Priests are available for women wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Guest Speaker: Dolores Miccio. Claireport Place, Etobicoke. For more information call Francess at 416-749-0553 or register online at [http://www.stbenedicts.ca/docs/2018 Magnificat Breakfast.html](http://www.stbenedicts.ca/docs/2018_Magnificat_Breakfast.html).

**AN EVENING OF INSPIRATION**



Don't miss this opportunity to spend an evening with one of North America's leading grief counselors and authors Dr. Alan Wolfelt. Dr. Wolfelt will be discussing Your Grieving Heart: Exploring Practical Touchstones for Caring for Yourself. This free event takes place at the Living Arts Centre on Tues. Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more info or to register call Turner & Porter 416-767-6793.

**NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

+ All Saints' Day is Thursday, November 1st.

**PLEASE NOTE: Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m.**

+ The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed is Friday, November 2nd.

**BOOK OF LIFE**

Blank Memorial Sheets are available in the vestibule of the Church, to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Completed Memorial Sheets will be placed in the Book of Life to be remembered at Masses during the month of November.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

From September 27 through November 5, you're invited to join others in a peaceful daily prayer vigil asking for God's protection of all human life. Vigil runs daily from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for 40 days at the public right-of-way outside Mississauga Women's Clinic, 101 Queensway (at Confederation). Our parish has been asked to adopt October 31, 2018 to pray at the vigil site. If you cannot be there on that day you can sign up on line or contact [www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga](http://www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga) or go to [miss40days@gmail.com](mailto:miss40days@gmail.com) for information on other dates.

**CHRIST THE KING RALLY**

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. (John 15:9)." Presented by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) of the Archdiocese of Toronto. On November 24 join the celebration at the annual Christ the King Rally with unique programs for adults, youth and children. \$20 adults; \$5 youth and children free. The Toronto Pavilion, 190 Railside Rd. Toronto. For more information call the CCRC at 647-669-7524 or 647-887-5517, or email [CCRCtorontoinfo@gmail.com](mailto:CCRCtorontoinfo@gmail.com).

**BIBLE STUDY**

"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible." An introductory course on the Word of God will be offered at St. Josephine Bakhita Parish for 8 weeks starting Monday, October 29 following the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Registration is required. The cost of materials is \$35.00. Please register in person at the church office or call 905-826-1143 for more information.

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