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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 Wednesday during Mass
Rosary 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

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 18, 2018

"The Son of man will come with great power and glory"

Do you recognize the signs of God's kingdom - signs that point to his power and action in our lives and in the world around us? The Lord Jesus came to bring us the kingdom of God and to set us free from bondage to sin, death, and destruction and from the powers of the evil one who tempts us through lies and deception.

Jesus told his first disciples that it was for their benefit that he return to his Father in heaven in order for the Holy Spirit to come and fill the earth with the fire of God's love, truth, and glory. The Lord Jesus in every age fills his people with the power of the Holy Spirit so that each one of us can hear his voice, understand his truth, and sow the seeds of his word wherever he sends us. The Lord is preparing his people for his return - for the day of "tribulation" and "shaking" when he will appear "coming in clouds with great power and glory" (Mark 13:25-26).

What did Jesus mean when he spoke about a time of tribulation, shaking, and the "Son of man coming with great power and glory"? The title Jesus most frequently used to describe his mission was the "Son of Man" (Mark 13:26). This title is a direct reference to the prophetic vision in the Book of Daniel, chapter 7: 13. The image of a "Son of man coming with the clouds of heaven" is taken from the vision of the prophet Daniel (Daniel 7:13-14). Daniel's vision is a royal investiture of a human king before God's throne. This king, whose authority comes from God, is given power to rule over "all peoples, nations, and languages" (Daniel 7:14). The kingdom which he comes to establish cannot be broken or destroyed because it is built on the foundation of God's justice, truth, and holiness.

The day of the Lord's return will be unlike any other moment in time, history, and destiny for the human race and our place in God's creation. Then the "stars of heaven will fall and all will be shaken" before the presence of the Lord when he comes. Then the peoples of the earth and their rulers will know who is the true King and Ruler over all.

Jesus' first coming was a rescue mission - to free the human race from slavery to sin and Satan - the father of lies. His second coming will be the final completion of his mission when he makes "make all things new" - a new heavens and a new earth - after he has put down the last enemy which is death and restores our lowly bodies to immortality when death will be no more (Daniel 12:2-3).

The first coming of the Lord Jesus is inseparably linked with his second coming at the end of this present age. We do not know the day or hour when the Lord will return again in glory. But now in this present age we can experience the first-fruits of the kingdom of God - the abundant new life in the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, and the fruits of the Spirit - love, peace, joy, patience, self-control (Galatians 5:22-23) and so many other qualities which the Spirit works within us - thus enabling us to love and serve others with tenderhearted mercy, patience, and goodness. Do you know and experience in your life the first-fruits of the kingdom of God?

Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may radiate the joy of your kingdom and the fire of your love to all I meet and serve. Direct my life to the glory of your name and to the coming of your kingdom."

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2018-2019

Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year, which starts on the weekend of December 2, will be on sale after all Masses the weekends of November 17/18 and November 24/25. The cost is \$5 each. Please try to have the correct change.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Please help support Knights of Columbus work in our community. Pre-order your 2018 Christmas Poinsettias after all Masses the weekends of Nov. 10/11 and 17/18. Need further information? Call Wayne Ferrell 905-607-5981.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Concepcion Cabioc and departed family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20 – 8:00 A.M.

+ Garth Copp

+ Abraham Rosal

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Avelina Mangabang

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22 – 8:00 A.M.

In reparation for offences committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 – 7:00 P.M.

Intention Available

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Kam Kai-Hong

SUNDAY, NOV. 25 – 34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 A.M. S.I. Parish Community

10:00 A.M. + Florencia

12:00 P.M. + For the souls of those mentioned in the Book of Life.

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. Praise & worship, rosary, healing procession, confessions, Adoration and Holy Mass presided by Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, Archdiocese of Toronto. For more information call the CCRC at 647-669-7524 or 647-887-5517.

ACTS RETREATS

Queen of the Apostles Renewal Centre The ACTS retreat is a three-day retreat led by those who have attended prior ACTS retreats. The retreat focuses on adoration, community, theology and service. Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guidelines. The goals are to renew yourself spiritually, to strengthen your faith and to apply it in your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. For more information contact Willy Klaudusz at 647-281-5990 or visit <https://actscanada.org>.

Men's ACTS Retreat: November 29 at 7:00 PM - December 2 at 12:00 PM

MANY THANKS!

Our parish has had the privilege of sponsoring the Saffar family, through Project Hope, run by the Office of Refugees for the Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT). The one year period ends on November 23, 2018 and they will now be independent members of our Canadian society. During this period, you have been generous with your prayers, time and donations. All of your support has lifted their spirits and given the family confidence to face the future. We are very grateful for your kindness.

St. Francis of Assisi Refugee Committee

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION



The Christmas Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place the weekend of December 1 & 2. Special donation envelopes are in your offertory envelope boxes or you may take a collection envelope located on a table at the back of the church. Your generosity to families in need at Christmas is most appreciated.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Calling boys and girls in Senior Kindergarten to Grade 4. Would you like to be in our Christmas Pageant at the 5 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve? If you are interested, please ask your parents to call the parish office at 905-822-8132 ext. 3.



CELEBRATING HUMANAEE VITAE AT 50

Reflections on life and love for a new generation. This retreat is being held at St. Augustine Seminary on December 1. The retreat will include Mass in the seminary chapel. Feel free to invite friends and family to join us on this day. The cost is \$50.00 which includes lunch. For more information call 416-261-7207 ext. 235.

REMEMBERING THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

November is "Make a Will" month. Have you considered remembering our parish in your will? When making your will, please consider a bequest to St. Francis of Assisi. For more information, the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411, ext. 519 or visit www.archtoronto.org/development.

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