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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

# FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 10, 2019

## "You will catch people for the kingdom of God"



Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish? No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word. Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless did what the Lord Jesus told him to do: At your word I will let down the nets. When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command?

### God expects greater things than we can do by ourselves

This incident tells us an important truth about how God works in and through each of us for his glory. God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in his works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own. Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun who died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-four, wrote to a friend: "Jesus has so incomprehensible a love for us that he wills that we have a share with him in the salvation of souls. He wills to do nothing without us. The Creator of the universe awaits the prayer of a poor little soul to save other souls redeemed like it at the price of all his Blood."

When God's word is spoken his kingdom is revealed and his power is released. When people respond to God's word with faith and obedience they are changed and made "a new creation" in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

### Witness the joy of the Gospel

God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, as his ambassadors and he uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the Gospel. Paul the Apostle says, "But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing" (2 Corinthians 2:15).

Do you witness to those around you the joy of the Gospel and do you pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love and truth?

*"Lord Jesus, fill my heart with love and compassion for those who do not know you or follow you. May I be a good witness of your truth and salvation to my family, friends, and co-workers."*

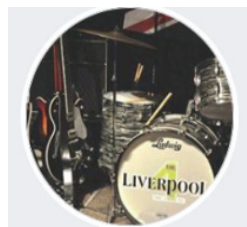
### INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

We thank you for your contributions to the Church in 2018 and advise you that income tax receipts will be issued in February 2019. In order to receive an income tax receipt for contributions to the Church, we strongly suggest you take a box of Offertory Envelopes each year. Offertory Envelopes for 2019 are located at the back of the Church. Brochures outlining our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan and Parish Registration forms are also available at the back of the Church.

### SAVE THE DATE

May 31, 2019

The Knights of Columbus Annual Fundraiser is a Beatles Dinner/Dance featuring Canada's top Beatles tribute band, LIVERPOOL4. Join them at Le



Dome Banquet Hall, Oakville. Tickets are \$70 per person.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 – 8:00 A.M.**

Intention Available

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14 – 8:00 A.M.**

In reparation for offenses committed against the Most Holy Eucharist

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16 – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Nat Prior

+ Isabel Givens

S.I. Ozwald and Vijaya Sequeira

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17 – 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8.30 A.M.** Intention Available

**10:00 A.M.** S.I. Parish Community

**12:00 P.M.** + Tom and Dean McMillen

+ Scarlett Johnston

+ Mary Fitzgerald Forsyth

**LENTEN RETREAT**

**MARY IN THE HEART OF THE CHURCH**

“The Church is Marian in her essence.” Mary is the image of what we are to be: the more Marian we become, the more Church we become. We shall look at this insight in three steps:

1. How Mary fulfills Old Testament prefigurations.
2. Mary as the Form of and as Generating the Church (Adrienne von Speyr).
3. The Marian principle in the Church today (Hans Urs von Balthasar).

Fr. Charles Anang, Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at St. Augustine’s Seminary, will lead the Retreat which will also include Mass in the seminary chapel. March 30, 2019. For more information contact St. Augustine’s Seminary of Toronto at 416-261-7207.

**NEW BEGINNINGS**

Separated, Divorced? If you are struggling... you don’t have to do this alone. New Beginnings, is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through, separation and divorce. The group will meet at St. Christopher’s starting February 26, 2019 Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For more information and to register, please contact Arcangelo Limanni, Program Promoter alimanni@cfstoronto.com (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION  
REGISTRATION**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 at 10 a.m.

**OR**

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 at 10 a.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall (Basement).

In order to register for Confirmation, please bring the following with you to the meeting:

**1. PHOTOCOPY OF THE CANDIDATE'S CATHOLIC BAPTISM CERTIFICATE**

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE:** Please provide the full name and complete address of the Church where you were baptized, especially if the certificate is not in English. If there is a fax number, please include it. This information can be **PRINTED** on the reverse side of the Baptism Certificate

2. \$50 for the Confirmation resource fee
3. The name of your Confirmation Sponsor. A Confirmation Sponsor must fulfill the following conditions:

- a. Confirmed Catholic
- b. 16 years of age or older
- c. Practicing Catholic
- d. Not be the parent of the Candidate

**THESE ARE THE ONLY 2 REGISTRATION SESSIONS BEING HELD FOR CONFIRMATION IN 2019. IF YOU MISS THESE SESSIONS, YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION IN 2020.**

**COME & SEE WEEKEND**



The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Weekend for single Catholic men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary the weekend of March 15-17. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997.

**2019 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY**

March 3 at Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The theme of this year's rally is "Hope in the Midst of Suffering" featuring talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Fr. Mark Goring, CC; an adult High Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins; a youth mass will be celebrated Fr. Mark Goring. For more info call (647) 243-9441 or (905) 270-2510 or go to [contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca](mailto:contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca).

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