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

Divine Mercy

Fridays (excluding holidays) 3:00 PM

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 30, 2019

" No one who looks back."



Are you surprised to see two of Jesus' disciples praying for the destruction of a Samaritan village? The Jews and Samaritans had been divided for centuries. Jewish pilgrims who passed through Samaritan territory were often treated badly and even assaulted. Jesus did the unthinkable for a Jew. He not only decided to travel through Samaritan territory at personal risk, but he also asked for hospitality in one of their villages!

Jesus faced rejection and abuse in order to reconcile us with God and one another Jesus' offer of friendship was rebuffed. Is there any wonder that the disciples were indignant and felt justified in wanting to see retribution done to this village? Wouldn't you respond the same way? Jesus, however, rebukes his disciples for their lack of toleration. Jesus had "set his face toward Jerusalem" to die on a cross that Jew, Samaritan and Gentile might be reconciled with God and be united as one people in Christ.

Jesus seeks our highest good - friend and enemy alike

Tolerance is a much needed virtue today. But aren't we often tolerant for the wrong thing or for the wrong motive? Christian love seeks the highest good of both one's neighbor and one's enemy. When Abraham Lincoln was criticized for his courtesy and tolerance towards his enemies during the American Civil War, he responded: "Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?" How do you treat those who cross you and cause you trouble? Do you seek their good rather than their harm?

Jesus explains the cost of following as his disciple

When the Lord calls us to follow him he gives us the grace to put aside everything that might keep us from doing his will. Loyalty to Jesus requires sacrifice, letting go of my will for God's will. A would-be disciple responded by saying, I must first go and bury my father, that is, go back home and take care of him until he died. Jesus certainly did not mean that we should refuse to care for others, especially our parents in their old age. His startling statement, however, made clear that God must always be first in our lives. If we love him above all, then everything else will fall into its proper place and time.

Jesus surprised his disciples by telling that they must not look back but keep their focus on the goal set for their lives - full happiness and union with God. A plowman who looked back caused his furrow to be crooked. Likewise, if we keep looking back to what we left behind, our path in following God will likely go off course and we'll miss what God has for us. When the going is rough or the way ahead looks uncertain, we are tempted to look back to the "good old days" or to look for "greener turf". Are you resolved to keep your eyes fixed on Jesus and to "stay the course" in following him to the end?

"Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess you have given me. I surrender it all to you to be disposed of according to your will. Give me only your love and your grace - with these I will be rich enough and will desire nothing more."

(Prayer of Ignatius Loyola, 1491-1556)

THANK YOU!



As we take some time during the summer months to enjoy the warmer weather, I want to thank our parishioners for their amazing generosity. Thank you for sharing your time, talent and treasure with our parish community.

HAPPY SUMMER!

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MONDAY, JULY 1 – 7:00 P.M.

No Intentions

TUESDAY, JULY 2 – 8:00 A.M.

No Intentions

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 - 7:00 P.M.

No Intentions

THURSDAY, JULY 4 - 8:00 A.M.

In reparation for offenses committed against the

Most Holy Eucharist.

FRIDAY, JULY 5 - 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Hatch Family

+ Scarlett Johnston

SATURDAY, JULY6-5:00 P.M.

- + Claude Lussier
- + Steven Wilson

SUNDAY, JULY 7 – 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30 A.M. + Anna Maria Mai Ta **10:00 A.M.** + Maria Stubits

12:00 P.M. S.I. Parish Community

ARE YOU MOVING?



During the months of July and August a number of parishioners will be moving out of the parish.

Before moving, please leave your change of address with the parish office. If you are new to the parish, please pick up a registration form in the vestibule, fill it out and submit it to the parish office.

BRIDGE CLUB

What are you doing on Monday afternoon? Why not join us for an entertaining afternoon of Bridge? The Bridge Club will continue to meet on Mondays throughout the summer excluding holidays. For more info call the parish office at 905-822-8132.

FAMILY CAMP

With a hired cook and kitchen staff to prepare three hot meals each day, Family Camp is a wonderful opportunity for Catholic families to relax together in a wholesome environment of shared vacation time. Private individual cabins, a pool, walking trails and great outdoor space. The cost is \$850 per family. Financial sponsorship may be available. John Paul II Cultural Centre Port Burwell, Ontario. For more information email info@famfi.ca or their website www.famfi.ca

Living the Gospel by supporting at-risk youth



The single mother of Trinity worried about who might influence her daughter after school, given the presence of gangs in the neighbourhood. She enrolled

Trinity in a program at the St. John Paul the Great Family Centre, a ShareLife-funded agency. Along with helping with homework, the centre provided music training that would otherwise be too costly. Now 15 years old, Trinity volunteers at the centre so others can benefit just as she has.

PLEASE MAKE A SACRIFICIAL GIFT TO SHARELIFE THROUGH YOUR PARISH OR SHARELIFE.ORG

WRAPPING UP FOR THE SUMMER.....

Bulletins

Please note that the church bulletin will not be published during July and August. Keep checking the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church for all the Parish news.

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in September 2019 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

Mass Intentions

Please note that Weekly Mass Intentions will be posted on the bulletin board. Kindly come to the Parish Office if you would like to book a Mass Intention.

Children's Liturgy Program

The Children's Liturgy Program wraps up for the summer on Sunday, June 23. Thank you for entrusting your children to us this past school year, we have enjoyed sharing God's Word with them. The program restarts Sunday, September 22, 2019.

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