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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

Charismatic Prayer Goup	905-822-8132
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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 10, 2019

## "All live to him"



Is your life earth-bound or heaven-bound? The Sadducees had one big problem - they could not conceive of heaven beyond what they could see with their naked eyes! Aren't we often like them? We don't recognize spiritual realities because we try to make heaven into an earthly image. The Sadducees came to Jesus with a test question to make the resurrection look ridiculous. The Sadducees, unlike the Pharisees, did not believe in immortality, nor in angels or evil spirits. Their religion was literally grounded in an earthly image of heaven.

### **The Scriptures give witness - we will rise again to immortal life**

Jesus retorts by dealing with the fact of the resurrection. The scriptures give proof of it. In Exodus 3:6, when God manifests his presence to Moses in the burning bush, the Lord tells him that he is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He shows that the patriarchs who died hundreds of years previously were still alive in God. Jesus defeats their arguments by showing that God is a living God of a living people. God was the friend of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when they lived. That friendship could not cease with death. As Psalm 73:23-24 states: "I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory."

The ultimate proof of the resurrection is the Lord Jesus and his victory over death when he rose from the tomb. Before Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, he exclaimed: "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25). Jesus asks us the same question. Do you believe in the resurrection and in the promise of eternal life with God?

### **Jesus came to restore Paradise and everlasting life for us**

The Holy Spirit reveals to us the eternal truths of God's unending love and the life he desires to share with us for all eternity. Paul the Apostle, quoting from the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 64:4; 65:17) states: "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him," God has revealed to us through the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:9-10). The promise of paradise - heavenly bliss and unending life with an all-loving God - is beyond human reckoning. We have only begun to taste the first-fruits! Do you live now in the joy and hope of the life of the age to come?

*"May the Lord Jesus put his hands on our eyes also, for then we too shall begin to look not at what is seen but at what is not seen. May he open the eyes that are concerned not with the present but with what is yet to come, may he unseal the heart's vision, that we may gaze on God in the Spirit, through the same Lord, Jesus Christ, whose glory and power will endure throughout the unending succession of ages."*

(Prayer of Origen, 185-254 AD)



### **ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL CONCERT**

Toronto's Christmas Tradition featuring St. Michael's Choir School continues at Roy Thompson Hall. Repertoire to include John Rutter's celebrated 'Gloria' and an array of seasonal favourites. December 8, 2019. For tickets contact Roy Thompson Hall at 416-872-4255.



### **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.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11 – 7:00 P.M.**

S.I. Carol Morra

+ Charles Haupt

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 – 8:00 A.M.**

+ Deceased members of the Fernandes and Rodrigues Families

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

S.I. Matteo Lombardi

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14 – 8:00 A.M.**

In reparation for offenses committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Pat Byrne

+ Bill Kovalchuk

S.I. Maureen Colaco

**SUNDAY, NOV. 17 – 33<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**10:00 A.M.** + Allan Bagnall

+ Michael Kole

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

**SPECIAL COLLECTION NOVEMBER 16 AND 17**

As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help raise awareness and funds so that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. The fund supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. By supporting The Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. Donation envelopes and the Shepherds' Trust Newsletter are available in the vestibule of the Church. For more information about The Shepherds' Trust please go to: [www.shepherdstrust.org](http://www.shepherdstrust.org).

**HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS**

The weekend of November 23-24 we will have with us Sebastien Cardinal representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians". Christians in the Holy land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and the purchase of these special religious art pieces. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. Cash, debit and credit cards will be accepted. May God Bless you for your generosity, for help, and for your prayers." [www.HolylandChristians.ca](http://www.HolylandChristians.ca)

**CHRIST THE KING RALLY**

"I will be with you always, until the end of the ages (Matt 28, 20)". Presented by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) of the Archdiocese of Toronto. On November 30 join the celebration at the annual Christ the King Rally. \$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.

**NEW BEGINNINGS**

For those who have suffered loss through separation and divorce. Friday November 8, 7:00 – 9:00 pm at St. Christopher Church 1171 Clarkson Rd N 13-17

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten registration for the 2020-21 school year will take place January 6-17, 2020. Parents/guardians have the option to register online or in-person at their designated Catholic school. The online registration will begin on November 26 at [www.dpcdsb.org](http://www.dpcdsb.org). For those unable to register at the school during school hours, a registration evening has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2020 (Snow Date: January 16, 2020). For more information, parents/guardians should contact their local Catholic school, visit the Board website at [www.dpcdsb.org](http://www.dpcdsb.org), or call the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board at 905-890-1221.

**ACTS RETREAT**

ACTS Retreats at Queen of Apostles, Mississauga – Come and renew yourself spiritually to strengthen your faith and to apply it to your daily life. Women's Retreat Nov. 14- 17. Contact: Peggy Schreader, 416-270-3690 or [peggyschreader@gmail.com](mailto:peggyschreader@gmail.com) . Men's Retreat Nov. 21 – 24. Please contact, Lorenzo Stampatori, 416-300-0152. For more info please visit: [www.actscanada.org](http://www.actscanada.org) .



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