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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 usually held on two Sundays 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
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:00 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

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour

Fridays (excluding holidays) 6:00 PM - 6:50 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass
Wednesday at 6:40

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
RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 3
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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 1, 2021

“ Give us this bread always”

Is there anything in this life that can truly satisfy our deepest hunger and longing? Many sought Jesus out because he offered them something no one else could give - bread from heaven from the very hand of God himself. When Jesus had performed the miracle of multiplying five loaves of bread and two fish to provide a refreshing and satisfying meal for more than 5000 people, they wanted to make him their king. When Jesus withdrew from the crowd and returned to Capernaum to be with his disciples, they ran to seek him there. Jesus met them with a probing question - are you looking for physical food that perishes or food that gives eternal life?

The Jews had always regarded the manna in the wilderness as the *bread of God*. There was a strong belief that when the Messiah came he would give manna from heaven. This was the supreme work of Moses. Now the Jewish leaders were demanding that Jesus produce manna from heaven as proof to his claim to be the Messiah. Jesus responds by telling them that it was not Moses who gave the manna, but God. And the manna given to Moses and the people was not the real bread from heaven, but only a symbol of the bread to come. Jesus makes the claim which only God can make: *I am the bread of life*. The bread which Jesus offers is none else than the very life of God. This is the true bread which can truly satisfy the hunger in our hearts.

Jesus' question to the crowd, and to each one of us as well, echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah: "*Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy*" (Isaiah 55:2)? There are two fundamental types of hunger - physical and spiritual. Only the Lord Jesus can satisfy the deepest hunger in our heart - the hunger for everlasting truth, life, and love. Jesus alone can satisfy our hunger for truth - because in him alone is the Truth which is found in God. Jesus alone can satisfy our hunger for life - because he alone can give us abundant life - the supernatural life of God which transforms us now and lasts forever. Jesus alone can satisfy our deepest hunger for love - the love of God that knows no end, that never fails nor forsakes us, that outlasts sin and death. Jesus alone can satisfy the eternal hunger of our heart, mind, and spirit.

Jesus spoke about the *works of God* and what we must do to be doing the *works of God*, namely to *believe in God's Son whom he has sent into the world*. The Lord Jesus offers a new relationship with God which issues in a new kind of life - a life of sacrificial love, selfless service, and the forgiveness of others which corresponds to God's mercy, goodness and loving kindness; a life of holiness, purity, and truth which corresponds to God's holiness; and a life of obedience and trust which corresponds to God's offer of abundant life, peace, and happiness. This is the work which Jesus directs us to and enables us to perform in the power of the Holy Spirit. Do you hunger for the bread which comes down from heaven and thirst for the words of everlasting life?

Lord Jesus, you are the true Bread of Heaven. Only you alone can truly satisfy the deepest longing and hunger of my heart. Nourish me with the bread of life that I may be truly satisfied in you alone as the giver of life.

SUNDAY MASS ON YOUTUBE

Mass is being live streamed on our Parish YouTube Channel on Sunday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m. and every Wednesday at 7pm (preceded by the Rosary at 6:40pm).

The link to our parish YouTube channel is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCokoBfidkSQAZ Buk3g-bhw?>

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During the months of July and August, the parish office will be closed on Mondays. Tuesday to Friday the office hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:00p.m. All phone calls and emails will be returned on Tuesday.

MONDAY, AUGUST 2 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Gregoria Alora

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3 – 8:30 A.M.

+ Fausto de Vera

+Aurora Balizado

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Ted Weilgus

+ Jarmila Becka

+ In Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5 – 8:30 A.M.

S.I. For an increase in vocation to the Priesthood,
Religious

Life and Permanent Diaconate

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Liza Padilla-Ho and Family

+ Joseph and Angela Camilleri

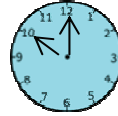
+ Pat Murphy

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Purissima Melchiorre

SUN., AUGUST 8 – 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

S.I. Parish Community



HOLIDAY MONDAY MASS

TIME CHANGE

Please note that on Monday, August 2, Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

MASS TIME CHANGE

Please note that effective Tuesday, August 3, morning Masses on Tuesdays and Thursdays will begin at 8:30 a.m.

FR. DAMIAN'S SUMMER WISH LIST

Thank you to all participants for your generous support of Fr. Damian's Summer Wish List. We're almost there! More details to follow.....

**HEALING AND RECONCILIATION WITH
INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES**

As Canadians reflect on how we can respond to the pain and suffering experienced by survivors of residential schools and their loved ones, the Archdiocese of Toronto is committed to being directly engaged in the ongoing journey of truth and reconciliation.

While the archdiocese did not operate residential schools, we have a responsibility to take genuine and meaningful steps to journey with Indigenous communities on the path to reconciliation, and to assist in healing the trauma experienced from the residential school system.

We are currently establishing working groups, each enriched by Indigenous voices, to help guide and support our efforts. If you would like to read about what this entails please go the document on the Archdiocesan website by following this link: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/the-ongoing-journey-to-healing-and-reconciliation/>

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is offered every Saturday from 4:00pm to 4:45pm in the Reconciliation Room of the church.

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK
August 1, 2021


WATCH
COMPANIONS IN SHIPWRECK
Good relationships are a vital part of human well-being. In fact, studies show that those with the healthiest relationships live the longest! But where can we see these friendships lived out? Look no further than the life of famed author J.R.R. Tolkien. The relationships he exhibited are a wonderful example for all of us to follow, especially with those we may disagree with. As Tolkien described marriage, it's all about being "companions in shipwreck."

LEARN
A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES: THE TRANSFIGURATION
This week we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration, the mountaintop manifestation of Christ's glory that we read about in the Gospel. As we recall this wondrous event, however, many questions might come to mind. Why did Moses and Elijah appear? Why did Jesus only bring Peter, James, and John? Hear the answers to these questions and more in this episode of

LISTEN
LUMINOUS MYSTERIES
The Transfiguration is part of the Luminous Mysteries, which were introduced to the Church in 2002 by St. John Paul II. These mysteries recall events that demonstrate the light of Christ during his public ministry. On this feast day, let us ponder this miraculous episode of Jesus' life by praying along with this recording of the Rosary.

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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.


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