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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 Wednesday during Mass Rosary Wednesday at 6:40

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 6, 2022

"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."



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/UCokoBfidk SQAZ Buk3g-bhw?

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

We thank you for your contributions to the Church in 2021 and advise you that income tax receipts will be mailed out in February by the Archdiocese of Toronto. Offertory envelopes for 2022 are available at the back of the Church and in the Parish Office. Brochures outlining our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan and Parish Registration forms are also available. If you would like a PAG form, please contact the parish office.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - 7:00 P.M.

- + Jean Zielinski
- + Mientja Rejnier
- S.I. Keith Ali

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - 8:30 A.M.

+ Purissima Melchiorre

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - 7:00 P.M.

- + Janice Lacerna
- + Zenaida Austria

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - 8:30 A.M.

S.I. For married couples and those preparing for marriage.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - 7:00 P.M.

- + Terry Keefe
- S.I. Julian Noronha

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12 -5:00 P.M.

+ Jane Quigg

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 – 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

S.I. Parish Community

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Offertory envelope boxes for 2022 are now available at the back of the church. Please take any box and **PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS** on the first 4 envelopes you use in JANUARY 2022. Thank you for your continued support. If you would rather make your regular offerings through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), kindly

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If you have been an English Separate (Catholic) School Supporter in the past, the designation DOES NOT follow you if you move. If you move or if there is a change of ownership, please re-register your Catholic school support. Contact DPCDSB by phone at 905-890-0708 ext. 24512 or by email at admissions@dpcdsb.org to register as an English Separate (Catholic) School Supporter.

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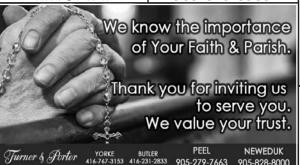
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