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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 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

### 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

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 26, 2022

## " 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!**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### MONDAY, JUNE 27 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Mike Duggan  
+ Tony Baggetta

S.I. Tony Fernandes Family

### TUESDAY, JUNE 28 – 8:30 A.M.

Intentions Available

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Deceased members of Chryscienko family  
+ Souls in Purgatory  
S.I. Emilia, Alicja, Jan

### THURSDAY, JUNE 30 – 8:30 A.M.

Intentions Available

### FRIDAY, JULY 1 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Hatch Family  
+ Joseph & Angela Camilleri  
+ Maurice Bousamra

### SATURDAY, JULY 2 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Joseph Ciantar  
+ Mary & Linley Forsyth

### SUNDAY, JULY 3 – 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Interested in running for Catholic School Trustee?

Dufferin-Peel's Catholic schools are overseen by a board of 11 elected trustees. Trustees serve as system leaders of publicly funded education in their communities and province. They work collaboratively with their community to shape a vision for the board that is reflective of the input of parents, students and community members. Trustees advocate for excellence in education and act as role models to engender confidence in publicly funded education. In addition, Catholic school trustees have a clearly defined role as stewards and guardians of Catholic education.

Municipal elections, including the election of Catholic School Trustees, take place every four years. The Municipal and School Board elections will be held this year on October 24, 2022. The Nomination and Campaign Period for the elections will begin on May 2, 2022. The last day for nominations is August 19, 2022.

To be eligible for election to a four-year term as a Catholic school trustee, you must be:

- Roman Catholic or a member of one of the Eastern Catholic Churches
- Catholic school supporter
- Resident within the jurisdiction of the district Catholic school board
- Canadian citizen at least 18 years of age

For additional information and resources to assist candidates and potential candidates for the office of Catholic school trustee, visit the DPCDSB website and the "Ontario Municipal & School Board Elections - Become a Trustee" webpage.

### 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 meet on Mondays starting in September from 1:00 p.m – 3:30 p.m. in the church hall. Come out and join us. For more information please contact Mary-Ellen Lefebvre @ 905 569-0230 or Penny McCarney @ 905 822-4827.

### ROSARIES



Carmela LoConte will be selling Rosaries after all masses on the weekend of June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Please stop and say hello and view the beautiful workmanship put into every item made.

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### BAZAAR

Carmel Heights will be holding a Spring Bazaar on June 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and also on July 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 PM. Address is 1720 Sherwood Forrest Circle, Mississauga. Come one come all and don't forget to bring a friend!!!!

### 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.

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