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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 - 7:00 PM

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass  
Monday & 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

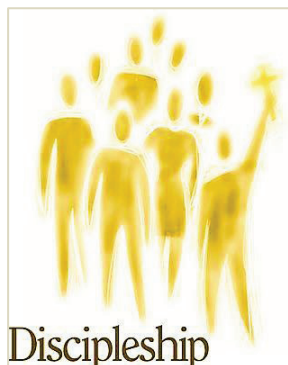
### SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183  
St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115  
Christ the King 905-569-0220

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 4, 2022

## The cost of discipleship.



Why does Jesus say we must 'hate' our families and even ourselves? The expression 'to hate' often meant to 'prefer less'. Jesus used strong language to make clear that nothing should take precedence or first place over God. God our heavenly Father created us in his image and likeness to be his sons and daughters. He has put us first in his love and concern for our welfare. Our love for him is a response to his exceeding love for us. True love is costly because it is willing to sacrifice all for the sake of the beloved. God sacrificed his Son for our sake and for our salvation. God proved his love for us by sending his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who offered up his life for us as the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

### The cost of discipleship

Jesus willingly embraced the cross, not only out of obedience to his Father's will, but out of a merciful love for each one of us in order to set us free from sin, Satan, and death. Jesus knew that the cross was the Father's way for him to achieve victory and glory for our sake. He counted the cost and said 'yes' to his Father's will. We, too, must 'count the cost' and be ready to follow the Lord Jesus in the way of the cross if we want to share in his glory and victory.

What is the 'way of the cross' for you and me? It means that when my will crosses with God's will, then his will must be done. The way of the cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down my life each and every day for Jesus' sake. What makes such sacrifice possible and "sweet" for us is the love of God poured out for us in the blood of Jesus Christ. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5). We can never give more than God. He always gives us more than we can expect or imagine. Do you allow the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with the love of God?

### Who do you love first - above all else?

The love of God compels us to choose who or what will be first in our lives. To place any relationship or any possession above God is a form of idolatry. Jesus challenges his disciples to examine what they love first and foremost. Jesus' way to glory and power is opposite the world's way of glory, power, and success. The choice is ours, but the Lord does not leave us alone if we choose to follow him. Does the love of Christ compel you to put God first in all you do (see 2 Corinthians 5)?

*"Lord Jesus, may your love transform me that I may truly desire nothing more than life with you. May you always be first in my thoughts and intentions, and in my words and actions."*

### SAVE THE DATE

The Life Chain, the nation-wide, annual, peaceful, prayerful, silent witness to the sanctify of life, will take place on Sunday October 2, 2022 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Meet at 1:45 pm in the parking lot of the Woodchester Mall just east of Wendy's. Please spread the word. For additional information, contact John Killackey by phone at (905) 820-9232.



If you believe you are being called to become Catholic, please join us for evenings of Catholic teaching and spiritual formation which are designed to lead to the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation. This process will begin at the end of September to welcome inquirers. Come and join us, and grow in your love and knowledge of God and of the Catholic Church. If you are interested, please call the parish office (905) 822-8132, Ext. 3, and leave your name and telephone number.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### **MONDAY, SEPT. 5 – 10:00 A.M.**

+ Souls in Purgatory  
+ Lokendra Sharma

### **TUESDAY, SEPT. 6 – 8:30 A.M.**

Intention Available

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7 – 7:00 P.M.**

S.I. Julian Noronha  
S.I. Friends and family of the late Alvin Mendiola for their prayers and support.  
S.I. Merly and Bobby Talag

### **THURSDAY, SEPT. 8 – 8:30 A.M.**

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

### **FRIDAY, SEPT. 9 – 7:00 P.M.**

+ Purissima Melchiorre  
+ Christina Veronica Connally  
S.I. Bonnie Noel

### **SATURDAY, SEPT. 10 – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Joseph Ciantar  
+ Jane Quigg  
+ Urszula Weimann

### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 11 – 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

S.I. Parish Community

## DO YOU NEED MORE OUTDOOR TIME?



Fresh air and nature lift the spirits; a task well done gives a feeling of accomplishment. Those benefits come with membership in the garden committee at St. Francis' gardens. Another benefit is that you help to provide a beautiful setting for our church. You choose a time convenient to you for the required two hours a week. If you are new to gardening, you can be paired with another gardener. The season is from April to November and we also allow for vacation time. Please contact Dolores at 905-822-5297

## SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

The following 2019 Offering Envelope Numbers have not been identified: 311, 334 and 66 (dated 2021). If one of these numbers belongs to you, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity to the Parish and your assistance in these matters.

## UTM CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

If you or someone you know is a university student, then this announcement is for you! The UTM (University of Toronto Mississauga) Catholic Chaplaincy exists to provide a supportive community for students to learn, grow, and celebrate their Catholic faith. Whether you are at UTM student or a student studying remotely at another university or college, we invite you join our community.

Our chaplaincy is working hard this fall to plan safe in-person gatherings as well as virtual gatherings for those wishing to connect remotely.

For more information visit our website [www.utmcatholics.com](http://www.utmcatholics.com) ...and feel free to share our website with any university-age students that may be interested in joining or learning more about our chaplaincy.

## CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in September 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

## THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE IS RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS



The Rosary Apostolate has been faithfully praying the Rosary with our students once a month for over 20 years. They have been a great inspiration to our students. We have been invited back in-person and are seeking people who have a great love for the Rosary and who are willing to visit our schools to pray the Rosary with the children. It will be once a month for a total of 8 days a year per school. Training, screening, and materials will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Betty at 647-239-0987.

## BUNDLE UP



On the weekend of September 17 and 18 the Society of St. Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking lot to receive your donations of gently used clothes and leather shoes. Please place your donations in securely tied green garbage bags or sealed boxes. Thank you for your generosity.

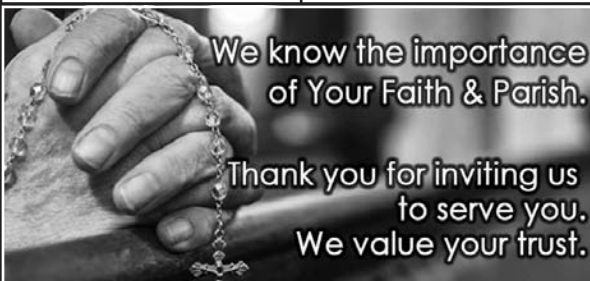
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