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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday

9:00am to 3:00pm

Wednesdays - Closed

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers
Catrina Bova

Lectors:
Genia Vanderkruk
10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact Ext 1003, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office Ext 1007

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry

2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace

www.devp.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers

3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus

1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 28

5:30pm Int. of Alex Banez and family

Sunday, September 29

10am Vitorina Morales †

12pm Parish Community

Monday, September 30

5:30pm Mary Bonneau †

Tuesday, October 1

5:30 pm Margarita Garcia

Martinez †

Wednesday, October 2

5:30 pm Int. of Elizabeth (for the conversion of family)

Thursday, October 3

5:30 pm For the sick

Friday, October 4

5:30 pm Souls in purgatory

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Aniela Kuncaitis, Antonia Bova, Celeste Cignarella, Rose Menecola, Rosanne Kelly, Inez Meleca, Charles Coupal, Lucia Xavier da Silveira, Louis Gris, Marianne Chard, Debbie Wagstaff

The Deceased:

John Robertson, Moya Carton, Edna Schlatau, Cyril Davis.



Friars Nook

1st Reading: Numbers 11.25-29

2nd Reading: James 5.1-6

Gospel: Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

Removing the Obstacles

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the bold teaching that we should rid ourselves of anything that causes us to sin, for the price of losing our eternal salvation is far too great. This teaching can seem harsh at times, yet it is actually one of great truth and love. The radical implication in Jesus' message' is that the salvation of our souls is the most important thing in life.

As followers of Christ, we should ask ourselves, is there anything that is causing us to sin? Sin begins to weaken our relationship with God which hinders our ability to truly love others and act as authentic stewards. If we want our stewardship to flourish, we should take concrete actions to avoid the near occasions of sin and seek forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession for whenever we do fall.

Additionally, not only should we seek to remove the causes of sin in our lives, but we should try to remove all those things that hinder us from being better stewards of our time and talents. For example, if our pride and ego get in the way of us being willing to humbly serve others, we should pray for the strength to grow in humility. Likewise, if our addiction to television or movies stops us from giving our time to others, we should try to intentionally limit our viewing time. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

Summary

Jesus instructs us in the Gospel to remove anything that causes us to sin for the most important thing in life is the salvation of our souls. Likewise, we should strive to remove anything that hinders us from being better stewards of our time and talents. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

Prayer for the Season of Creation: *All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one... Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Amen*

September 29, 2024

5 Simple Actions to help the Parish Care for Creation and Save

Money

1. Close outside doors on days when the heat or air conditioning are turned on.
2. Do not adjust fan or thermostat controls unless authorized.
3. Turn off lights, electronics and water taps when not in use.
4. Follow posted signs for sorting waste.
5. Limit leftover food and food waste at parish events.

Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Special Collection: Sep 28/29

As part of our ongoing commitment to support healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised more than 50% of its \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops and dioceses throughout Canada. The archdiocese has allocated \$2.7 million of its \$6 million pledge to charitable initiatives supporting healing and reconciliation. The collection on the weekend of **September 28/29** provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information or to donate online please visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation - thank you for your generosity!

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Supporting Bishops in Their Pastoral Mission Across the Country

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place on **October 5-6 2024**. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the Collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment. Subscribe to CCCB News or follow us on Twitter (X) To receive CCCB news through our free and confidential email service, please fill out the registration form at <https://www.cccb.ca/en/news/subscribe/> Follow CCCB on TWITTER (X): https://twitter.com/CECC_CCCB

Romero Moves – Romero House

On October 6, Romero House, a community of welcome for refugees in our neighborhood is hosting a 5km run/walk/roll in High Park. You are invited to join as a participant, a volunteer or to sponsor a participant. You can read more at <https://romerohouse.org/events>. Let's show up for our neighbours in the spirit of St. Oscar Romero.

Stewardship Month – October

This Stewardship Month, we invite all parishioners to explore the various ministries and groups at our parish. After each weekend Mass throughout the month, representatives will be available to share information, answer your questions, and help you sign up. As Father Bob often reminds us, if each of us engages in just one ministry or event, we can truly say there's a place for everyone here. We encourage new parishioners to join us and discover how you can share your gifts in our vibrant community! Please visit our website to know more about the ministries!

September Dates to remember

September 28/29 – D&P Fair Trade Weekend

September 29 – Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation (Special Collection)

September 29 – French Mass 5pm

September 30 – Truth & Reconciliation Day

October Dates to remember

October: Stewardship Month

October 6: Special Collection for Needs of the Canadian Church

October 6: 2pm Blessing of Animals

October 6 & 8: Religious Ed. Classes begin

October 8: Creation Care Ministry Meeting

October 9: CWL Exec Meeting

October 14: Thanksgiving Day (No Mass / Parish Office Closed)
*Thanksgiving lunch 12pm

October 18: Oktoberfest 7pm

October 21: Development & Peace Meeting

October 24: Novena for All Souls Day begins

October 26/27: D&P Fairtrade Sale

October 28: CWL General Meeting

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