

JANUARY 27, 2019

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## SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);  
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Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm  
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## BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm

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VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm  
LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

## ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

## PARISH STAFF

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## KEEPING THE WORD CENTRAL

*By Michael Pirri*

The first reading takes place at the end of the Babylonian captivity of the Israelites: the heads of several families had accompanied Ezra, a priest and scribe, back to Jerusalem some short time ago. The seventh month of the Hebrew ecclesiastical year is also the first month of their civil year. Much like January for us, I suspect this was a time of much planning for the year ahead, even more so considering their home was in ruins. The ceremony in the first reading represents a culmination of Ezra's attempts to restore hope to all those who have returned to Israel, by using the only constant that they have known – God's Law as shared with them by Moses.

Christ exists as the culmination of Isaiah's prophecy in the second reading – the realization of the Word in the flesh. Much like the Jewish people returning to their homes, we are called to listen to

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the Word when things are difficult, when we have a long road ahead. The Word being made flesh is the fruit of God's love and joy for us. But how can we spread this joy swelling from within?

If you've been following the new releases on Netflix, you've likely heard of Marie Kondo, a Japanese 'declutterer consultant' who has sparked a decluttering craze. Part of her cleaning method, the Konmari Method, involves taking each item, and considering whether it brings you joy or sparks within you a great feeling. If the item doesn't 'spark joy', you thank the item and then discard of it (hopefully by donating!). Scripture, too, is meant to spark within us something profound; God's joy and love comes to us through the Word made flesh, through Christ. Much like decluttering, bringing this joy into the world is a step by step process. Day by day, attention to the Word will bring us closer to the joy revealed in the Gospel today.

#### **SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

NEHEMIAH 8.2-4A, 5-6, 8-10

PSALM 19

1 CORINTHIANS 12.12-30

LUKE 1.1-4; 4.14-21

## JOHN FORD FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

**February 2/3** is the next John Ford First Sunday Food Drive. Although all donations are accepted, we are in most in need of:

- Canned Tomatoes
- Canned Corn
- Canned Tuna, Salmon
- Cookies
- Cake Mix
- Vegetable Oil
- Vegetable/ chicken/ beef Stock
- Apple Sauce
- Jam

If you are able and willing to volunteer in the outreach ministries, please contact Michael at michael.pirri@utoronto.ca or (416) 926-1300 x.3210

*Thank you for your continued support of the Out of the Cold and Miller Group Outreach Ministries.*

## BUNDLE-UP SUNDAY

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at St. Basil's will collect gently used items for families in need, on the weekend of **March 2 and 3**.

They accept clothes, footwear, blankets, sheets, towels and drapery, as well as new or nearly new toys, and small household goods. They don't collect appliances, baby or other furniture, dishes, books or video/audio cassettes. The Society of St. Vincent dePaul donates the goods to families in need, exchange them for vouchers to help the needy, or sell them to support our charitable works.

There will be a truck parked at the church all weekend, and volunteers will be there before and after the Saturday and Sunday Masses.

Please be sure to tie up your donation bags to make handling easier, and to prevent spoilage.

Thank you in advance for your kind support for those who need it most.

## A VIEW FROM THE (OTHER) BRIDGE: A WOMAN'S PERSPECTIVE ON IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

On **Thursday, February 7, at 7PM** in St. Joseph Chapel, Regis College (100 Wellesley St. W.) will host a public lecture "A View from the (Other) Bridge: a Woman's Perspective on Ignatian Spirituality," presented by guest-speaker Gemma Simmonds, CJ.

For centuries women have been collaborating with the Jesuits in the pastoral practice of the Ignatian spiritual heritage. In doing so they have brought to bear on it a particular creative wisdom born of their own experience. Through the perspective of Mary Ward and other Ignatian women, this lecture explores the questions raised by looking at the heritage from another viewpoint.

All are welcome, admission is free. For more information, or to register to attend, please visit <https://regiscollege.ca/event/from-the-bridge/>

## UPDATE ON BISHOP KASUN

Earlier this week, we shared a post on social media from the Archdiocese. Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB, Auxiliary Bishop of the Central Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto, has requested, and has received, a six-month medical leave beginning on January 16 for the purpose of receiving chemotherapy treatments for indolent non-Hodgkins lymphoma. Please continue to pray for Bishop Kasun.

## FAMILY COFFEE HOUR

Families with young children are invited to join us at our monthly gathering following the 9AM Mass on **February 3**. An opportunity to meet other families in our community and for the children to undertake a catechetical activity.

## ESTATE PLANNING SESSION

Our parish, together with the Development Office of the Archdiocese of Toronto, will be hosting a Catholic Estate Planning Seminar on **Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm** in Ardèche Hall. An estate planning kit will be provided at no cost. Light snacks will be served.

Come and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will.
- How to ensure your wishes are legally protected.
- About Powers of Attorney.
- Estate Trustee selection.
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors.
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funerals.

Good estate planning ensures that your family is cared for should something happen to you, and that your assets will go where you want it to. Please consider attending this seminar. Contact Michael for more information (416) 926-7110 or michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

## LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, January 20, 2019 \$4,445.15



## MASS INTENTIONS

JAN 27<sup>TH</sup> – FEB 3<sup>RD</sup>

SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Olimphio Ottaviani (+)  
10:30am *Pro Populo*  
12:00pm Gaetano Lanni (+)  
4:30pm Katrina Teh (liv.)

MONDAY ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

7:30am Thomas McLeane (+)  
12:10pm

TUESDAY

7:30am  
12:10pm Rita O'Connor (+)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am  
12:10pm Jacinto Russo (+)

THURSDAY ST. JOHN BOSCO

7:30am  
12:10pm

FRIDAY

7:30am Gelareh Zeinolabedini (liv.)  
12:10pm *Vocations*

SATURDAY THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

5:00pm Antonietta Ciavarella (+)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**, especially, *Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Mary O'Brien, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Gordon Walsh, Rita Moran, Marie Ange, Paul O'Brien, Barbara Boyle, Carry Eillen, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Margaret Mary McKenzie, Donna Wood, Jose Gaitero, Ed Brash, Shane Carroll, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Young-Mi Sim, Marywynne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.*

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