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Our mission at St. Francis de Sales is to joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith, trusting that: if you are seeking Christ, you will find Him here. If grieving, you will receive comfort. If troubled in spirit, you will receive the blessing of peace without being judged. If discouraged, you will rejoice in hope. If alone, you will find companionship and Christian love. May our parish be a sanctuary of peace for you as we journey together to the Father's house.

Parish Hours

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY & SATURDAY 9:00 a.m.

FRIDAY 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm

SUNDAY 8:30 am | 9:45 am | 11:00 am | 12:15 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. SATURDAY 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY - SATURDAY 9:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m.

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To learn more, please call Denise Ford: 905-683-1403, ext. 103

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9:00 AM + MATHESUPPILLAI ALFRED

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9:00 AM + WILLARD AMURAL

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9:00 AM + ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY

FRIDAY, 6 AUGUST

7:00 PM + SIXTO VERA CRUZ

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5:00 PM + CONSTANCE & GRACE VAZ

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SUNDAY, 8 AUGUST

8:30 AM AVAILABLE

9:45 AM S.I. ADRIANA RASMUSSEN

+ LIONEL LETHBRIDGE

11:00 AM S.I. NEETA GOMES

+ ALEXANDER BERESFORD-HUEY

12:15 PM + GIONICIA TAGUICANA

FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Starting this **Friday 6 August**, Mass will not be celebrated at 9 a.m. but at 7 p.m. There will be a Holy Hour and confessions from 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

The parish office is open Tuesday to Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN



Based on the directives from the Chancery office, our Eucharistic Chapel is once again open. You will find in the chapel certain designated pews on which you can sit. The occupancy is limited to ten persons.

Visit our NEW website:

www.stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org

MASS AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Weekday Masses are 9:00 a.m. These days will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Our Sunday Mass Schedule is:

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:30am; 9:45am; 11:00am; 12:15pm. This will be on a first come first serve basis.

You are <u>required under the Durham Region By-law</u> and Cardinal Collins to wear a facemask inside the church building. **If you are ill, we ask that you stay home.**

Please arrive early, as there will be designated pews for you and/or families to be seated by an Usher. As you leave, there will be an offertory donation box by the Baptismal Font into which you may place your donations.

Confessions will be held on Fridays from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

ONLINE DONATIONS

Dear parishioners,

If you are not able to attend, but still wish to donate, here are the ways in which you can continue to support our parish at this time:

- Mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish or drop off to the parish locked mailbox by the office door, or drop off in the donations box at Mass.
- Online donations can be made at www.archtoronto.org. Simply click on the donate now icon, select St. Francis de Sales parish from the drop down menu and the fund you wish to donate to. This can be done as a onetime donation or as an ongoing monthly donation. It will give you a place to choose that option.
- Contribute through pre-authorized giving. You can obtain a form from the parish website. Mail the completed form and a voided cheque to the parish office. Or e-mail the form and a scanned copy or photo of a voided cheque to development@archtoronto.org for processing. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.

Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community.

SL ShareLife

Due to Covid19 restrictions, the collection dates for ShareLife have been adjusted. Please note that you can donate to this year's ShareLife appeal at any time. You may place your donation in the offertory box located behind the baptismal font or give by way of credit card (by visiting www.sharelife.org), before the end of October which is the closing of the ShareLife Appeal for 2021. Thank you for your generosity.

To date we have collected \$45,096 (54%) of our Parish goal, which is \$84,800.

REFLECTION

Last Sunday and for the next few Sundays, the Church proclaims Chapter 6 of St. John's Gospel, known as the Bread of Life Discourse. St. John is the only Gospel not to have the Last Supper, as characterized by the words of Eucharistic Institution. In St. John's Gospel, Jesus has a final meal with His Disciples, but not the Last Supper as in Sts. Matthew, Mark, Luke and St. Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians 11. However, St. John does provide us with the same amount of details in Chapter 6 of his Gospel when Our Lord talks about eating His Flesh and drinking His Blood. This is important to us Catholic Christians, as the Eucharist is the other form by which Jesus Our Lord comes to us. There are many similarities between John 6 and the other Gospels as well as St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Consider the following:

Common **Words** in John 6 and other Gospels and St. Paul's letter concerning the Eucharist.

| John6 | <u>Mt 26</u> | <u>Mk14</u> | <u>Lk22</u> | <u>1Cor11</u> |
|---|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Take Bread Give Thanks Give Recline v.20 Break/ breakings | v.26 v.26 v.27 v.26-27 v.18 v.26 | v.22 v.22 v.23 v.22 v.27 v.22 | v.19 v.19 v.19 v.19 - v.19 | v.23 v.23 v.24 - v.24 |
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Furthermore, there are common **themes** in John 6 and the other Gospel passages and St. Paul's letter concerning the Eucharist.

| John 6 | <u>Mt26</u> | <u>Mk14</u> | <u>Lk22</u> | <u>1Cor11</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Eating Jesus' | v.26 | v.22 | v.19 | v.24 |
| Flesh Drinking | v.27-28 | v.23-24 | v.20 | v.25 |
| Jesus' blood Desertion of | v.31-35 | v.26-31 | v.31-34 v | v.17-22 |
| Disciples Petrovel by | -: 21 25 | 10 21 | 21 2 | 2 27 22 |
| Betrayal by Judas | v.21-25 | v.18-21 | v.21-23 | 3 v.27-32 |

The connections between John 6 and the other Gospels as well as St. Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians are not coincidental. In fact, the connections are not so subtle. When St. John opens this Chapter 6, he tells us that it was near the Feast of the Passover, as it would be at a different Passover (the final one for Jesus) in the other Gospels when Our Saviour takes bread and wine and changes them into His Body and Blood.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

After 20 years of employment as the office administrator, Denise Ford, will be retiring in the fall. We will miss her greatly; she has been a great asset to the parish. If you are interested in the position of Office Administrator, please email Father Joe directly at sfdspastor@gmrail.com or drop off your resume at the parish office.

PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for adults who are suffering from an abortion experience in the past. For further information, contact St. Mary of Egypt Refuge in confidence, at 289-691-6840, or by e-mail projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org. Our web page is www.stmaryrefuge.org/rachel



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

If you know of a non-Catholic in our neighbourhood who would like to join the Catholic Church, please have him or her phone Father Joe for an appointment. Our classes will begin in September.



We would like to thank all our altar servers for their continued patience and dedication to this ministry. We are preparing for their safe return to the sanctuary in September. We will have scheduled cohorts with groups of smaller numbers, limited to three altar servers per Mass. To that end, there will be a few training sessions in the month of August to help all altar servers remember the finer details of serving. Please check your email for an update from us with specific training dates and times. We would also like to reach out to all youth, in grade 3 or up, who are interested in joining our altar server ministry. If you are interested or would like to learn more about the ministry, please contact us at:

altarservers.sfds@gmail.com.

Reflection Cont'd...

Furthermore, in John 6:3, Jesus is reclining on a mountain with His Disciples, just as He will recline with His Disciples on Mount Zion (where in the Upper Room located in Jerusalem) to celebrate the Last Supper in the other 3 Gospels.

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