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Parish Hours

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 am
 FRIDAY 7:00 pm
 SATURDAY 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm | 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm
 SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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 is Love without Measure"*
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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 8 MAY

9:00 AM + LANNIE LYNCH

TUESDAY, 9 MAY

9:00 AM + JUN TENORIO

WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY *St. John of Avila*

9:00 AM + CAROLINA BARBATO

THURSDAY, 11 MAY

9:00 AM + CATERINA ZAPPONE
+ VIRGINEA D'SOUZA

FRIDAY, 12 MAY *Sts. Nereus and Achilleus*

7:00 PM + RICHARDO LIM & CONSOLACION LIM
+ DIANNE ARBOUR

SATURDAY, 13 MAY

9:00 AM **NO MORNING MASS**

5:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, 14 MAY

8:30 AM + MOSES VIRGILIO MONTERO SR.

10:15 AM + JUANITO ESGUERRA

+ SERVILLANO AGUADA
+ PATRICIA MACDONALD

12:00 PM S.I. ALL LIVING AND DECEASED MOTHERS,
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+ BARBARA CANNATA
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7:00 PM **NO MORNING MASS**



Thank you for all that you are doing for the ShareLife campaign. We are very grateful for your generosity and support. **To date, we have collected \$33,705 for the ShareLife appeal. This is 44% of our parish goal, which is \$77,700** You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card. To donate online go to: www.sharelife.org Our next ShareLife collection date is 4/5 June weekend.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know of a non-Catholic living in our neighbourhood, who would like to join the Catholic Church, please have him or her phone Fr. Joe at 905-683-1403 ext. 105 for an appointment. Our Classes will begin in **September 2023**.



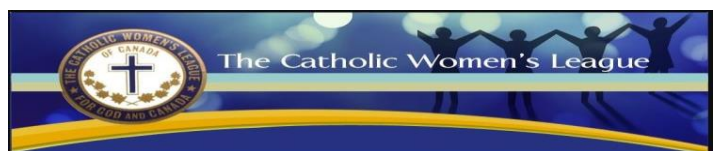
**The National March for Life Week
May 7th – 12th**

This year's theme is Stand Firm! "Stand firm, therefore, having belted your waist with truth and having put on the breastplate of righteousness (Ephesians 6:14).

Join us for the biggest pro-life demonstration in Canada the National March for Life in Ottawa on Parliament Hill on May 11 at 12:30pm. There will be many events including, Life on Film, Songs for Life Coffee House, Mass and Candlelight vigil, Masses for Life & Prayer Services, Rally and March, Youth Summit and Banquet, the Rose Dinner and more. For more information, call Campaign Life at 613-729-0379 or visit www.marchforlife.ca

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN

Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Steven Kwon February 18 – 29, 2024 (12 days) for \$4,490.00 Some highlights include travel by boat on the Sea of Galilea; visits to Capernaum, Cana, Bethlehem; Mass at the Basilica of the Annunciation, and so much more! For more information and registration, call Stan at 647-463-9057 or email Liliana at liliana@ihtours.com



Calling all CWL members and women of the parish. Please come and join us for our monthly General meeting on 11 May beginning at 7 PM. All are welcome.



Please note. There will be no 9am Mass on Saturday 13 May due to the celebration of First Holy Communion. There will also be no 7pm Mass on Sunday 14 May.

A CATHOLIC CACKLE

Need a little laughter to brighten your day? Try out this joke.

What is Christ our King's favourite kind of weather?

- *Reign-y!*



Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 6-7 PM. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to spend time with Jesus in prayer and adoration?

Visit our NEW website:

www.stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org

REFLECTION

St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians

(This week and the following weeks, we will look at the content of St. Paul's letters in the New Testament. By no means can we exhaust the many meanings in those individual letters).

St. Paul wrote this letter to Philippians while he was in prison in Rome awaiting his death. This letter is about sanctity or Christ-mindedness. Here are some highlights of Philippians.

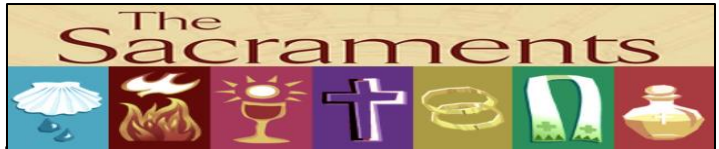
(1) For those, like parents, teachers and pastors, entrusted to the care of souls in danger of losing the faith: *"I am sure that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ"* (1:6). Faith is a work of God and God never gives up and never fails.

(2) Paul does not describe sanctity as imitating Christ, but as living in Christ. *"For me to live is Christ and to die is gain"* (1:21).

(3) The most famous passage in this letter is the *"kenosis"* (self-emptying) passage (2:5-11): *"Though He was in the form of God, Jesus did not count equality with God, a thing to be grasped but emptied Himself that the form of a slave, being born in the likeness of men..."* Christianity calls for us to take on the mind of Christ and the hope of glory.

(4) St. Paul practices what he preaches. Paul puts no confidence in the flesh, that is, human and worldly advantages. After listing all his considerable advantages (3:4-8), St. Paul summarizes them as "refuse."

(5) The goal in this life in Christ is summarized in 3:10-11: *"...that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and may share His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, that, if possible, I may attain the resurrection of the dead."* Salvation is both complete when Jesus said, *"It is finished"* (Jn 19:30) and incomplete. For while God has made us His own, we have not completely made Him our own. A constant incompleteness and energy animates the Christian life, like a race: *"Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me His own. Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus"* (3:12-14).



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We have begun to prepare the children for the sacrament of First Communion and continue our class visits to our 6 Parish schools. Please refer to the RCIC preparation schedule if your child attends a Public School, Other Catholic School or is in grade 3-6.

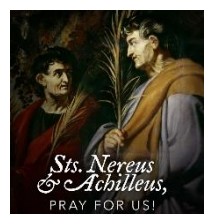
-We have a First Communion dress available if anyone is interested, please let Mrs. Selda know. Please see the parish website for a reminder of the rehearsal and First Communion dates.

School	Rehearsal	First Communion
Public/Private/Other Catholic Schools	Wednesday May 10 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 13 th at 10:00am
St. André Bessette	Wednesday May 10 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 13 th at 10:00am
Virtual School	Wednesday May 10 th at 6:30pm (Please bring the First Communion Books for review)	Saturday May 13 th at 10:00am
St Patrick	Wednesday May 10 th at 7:30pm	Saturday May 13 th at 1:00pm
St. Francis de Sales	Thursday May 25 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 27 th at 10:00am
St. Josephine Bakhita	Thursday May 25 th at 6:30pm	Saturday May 27 th at 10:00am
St. Jude	Thursday May 25 th at 7:30pm	Saturday May 27 th at 1:00pm
St Catherine of Siena	Thursday May 25 th at 7:30pm	Saturday May 27 th at 1:00pm

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all of our Confirmandi candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation earlier this week. You have now been sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and we know you will continue to defend and practice our faith. A big thank you to our catechists for sharing their time, talent and wisdom with our Confirmandi throughout the preparation classes. To all ministries and volunteers involved to help make our Confirmation a beautiful celebration, your work and time is greatly appreciated! To all the parents and families, we encourage you to continue to come to Mass every Sunday and thank you for your patience throughout this whole process. May God bless each and every one of you!

"I pray, my brother, that we may be found worthy to be cursed, censured, and ground down, and even to be executed in the name of Jesus Christ as long as Christ Himself is not killed in us".





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