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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISH Saturday 5:00 p.m. ITALIAN Sunday 9:00 a.m. ENGLISH Sunday 10:30 p.m. ENGLISH Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office in emergency or serious illness.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please call the Parish Office.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass. stjwrc@stjw.ca

PARISH SCHOOLS

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (4 - 10 SEPTEMBER)

GOSPEL REFLECTION: THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost? (Luke 14:28)

Have you heard of the National Monument of Scotland? If not, that's not surprising. It was never finished. Planned as a replica of the Parthenon in Athens, the project ran out of funds shortly after its six-ton foundation stone was laid. It's now known as "Edinburgh's Disgrace." Its unfinished pillars stand as a sobering tribute to poor planning. That sounds a lot like the builders Jesus describes in today's Gospel. Who would build a tower without first calculating the money needed to complete it? Jesus asks. It seems obvious. But Jesus wasn't talking only about the cost of construction. He was talking about the cost of discipleship.

Jesus wanted the people to understand what following him would mean. Becoming his disciple would change how they prayed, where they lived, and what their future held. Following Jesus would require them to take up their cross, and he wanted them to choose it with eyes wide-open. Jesus loved them. He didn't want them to end up like those Edinburgh builders, unable to finish what they had started.

In some ways, we're all a bit like that unfinished monument: works in progress. But the good news is that we *can* finish. We just need to keep on choosing to follow Jesus. Jesus tells us that our journey will require more than our own natural resources—not to discourage us, but to point us to God, the finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:2). Jesus says, "Come, follow me." He knows the challenges you will face, and he doesn't want you to give up when you realize it costs you more than you expected. He has all the grace you need to resist temptation. His love will strengthen you on your path toward heaven. And he has deep pockets, overflowing with mercy, to help you choose him day after day.

"Lord, I need the riches of your grace today!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading:

Wisdom 9.13-18

Second Reading:

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel:

Luke 14.25-33

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 4 September, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Domenico Mandarino

Sunday 4 September, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 4 September, 12:00 PM Special Intentions for Mectildes De La Cruz & Luvino Vergara

Tuesday 6 September, 9:00 AM + Lam Hay Ching

Wednesday 7 September, 7:00 PM + Julieta De Los Santos

Thursday 8 September, 9:00 AM Birthday Blessings for Mariano Gonzales

Friday 9 September, 7:00 PM

- + Maria Battista
- + Antonio Moura
- + Deceased Members of the Tavares Family

Saturday 10 September, 9:00 AM

+ M. Adaikalamary

Saturday 10 September, 5:00 PM

+ Giuseppe Boragina

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

There will be a refresher training for all our Mass Servers on **Friday, September 16**, at 7:30 PM. This is for all Altar servers, for us to have a reunion and keep ourselves on the same page. Parents please plan to bring the young ones who cannot come by themselves. New servers who would like to join the group are also welcome.

STREET PATROL

Our Upcoming Street Patrol Trip is On Saturday, September 17. We will Meet Downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:00 AM to make meal packages before we head downtown to offer Food to the Homeless. In the Days leading up to our deliveries to the needy, we welcome the following donations, which can be dropped off at the church office:

• Food Items (Sliced bread, cheese, deli meat, juice boxes), Gift Cards, and Any Monetary Donations







** Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Women's League and all volunteers.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

<u>Parent's Meeting:</u> Thursday 13 October 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

- Registration Forms are available to complete on our website .
- Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by Sunday 31 October 2022
- Note: Confirmation Preparation course for ALL Confirmandi will be offered by the parish.
 Attendance is mandatory for all Confirmandi.

Confirmation Registration Link:

https://forms.gle/6b39etVokisSEmMp6

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

<u>Parent's Meeting:</u> Thursday 6 October 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

- Registration Forms are available to complete on our website.
- Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by Sunday 31 October 2022
- Note: FHC Preparation course for ALL
 Communicants will be offered by the parish.

 Attendance is mandatory for all Communicants.

First Holy Communion Registration Link:

https://forms.gle/w2m49TaKaFQALHx9A

BUILDING UNTO THE LORD

Msgr. Owen Keenan invites us to join him at a gala to raise funds to build St. Patrick's church, Brampton. The gala will be held on **Friday November 4, 2022**, at La Primavera Event Space: 77 Woodstream Blvd., Woodbridge. Tickets are \$250 per person. \$150 of the ticket price is eligible for a tax receipt.

Kindly call St. Patrick's at 905-794-0486 or email Sally at sbaldessara@rogers.com for more information.

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