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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

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

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: ONE BODY IN THE LORD

You shall be my special possession. (Exodus 19:5)

Even before God had said these words to Moses on Mount Sinai, the Israelites must have known how special they were to him. Just three months earlier, God had miraculously delivered them from slavery in Egypt. And as they journeyed through the wilderness, he had given them manna from heaven, water from a rock, and victory in battle (Exodus 16, 17). It was abundantly clear that they were "dearer to me than all other people" (19:5).

Yet how quickly the people lost sight of this amazing truth! In a short time, they would think that the Lord had abandoned them and would make a golden calf to worship instead (Exodus 32). Still, despite their sin, God continued to be with them and guide them (34:10-11).

Through Christ, we, too, have become God's special possession, and it's abundantly clear just how dear we are to him. Out of love for us, he sent his only Son to suffer and die for our sins so that we could live with him forever. In love, he offers us himself as the Living Bread from heaven to strengthen us, along with the grace we need to obey his commandments.

Yet like the Israelites, we may sometimes think that God has abandoned us. That's especially true when things go awry in our lives. But the truth is that the Lord could never forget any one of his beloved children. He has called you, the unique, unrepeatable person he created, to be in a personal, intimate relationship with him. And just as he did with the Israelites, he will continue to love you and forgive you even when you fail.

As you approach the altar at Mass today, remember that you are God's special possession. He has chosen *you*. And when you receive the Eucharist, tell him that *you* are choosing *him!* As you return to your pew, try to sense his delight at spending this precious time so close to you.

"Father, may I never forget how special I am to you!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 19.1-6

Second Reading: Romans 5.6-11

Gospel: Matthew 9.36 – 10.8

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 18 June, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Adelina Di Capita

Sunday 18 June, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 18 June, 12:00 PM

+ Rosario Belluardo

Tuesday 20 June, 9:00 AM

+ Ezio Osti

Wednesday 21 June, 7:00 PM

+ Peter DiGiuseppe

Thursday 22 June, 9:00 AM

St. Joseph the Worker CES School Mass

Friday 23 June, 10:00 AM

Our Lady of the Rosary CES School Mass

Friday 23 June, 7:00 PM

- + Mectildes Maria Anna De La Cruz
- + Antonio Colecchia
- + Filipo & Anna D'Onofrio

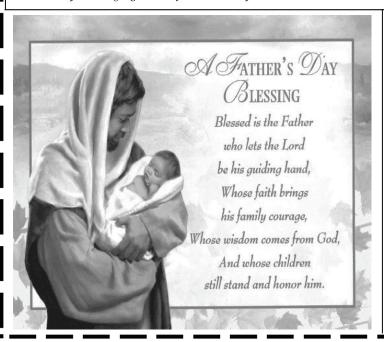
Thanksgiving from the De Los Santos Family

Saturday 24 June, 9:00 AM

Intentions of Antonetta Zanella

Saturday 24 June, 5:00 PM

+ Giovanni Ferri



LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS: A HEALING RETREAT FOR ADULT CHILDREN OF DIVORCED OR SEPARATED PARENTS

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. It will be led by the Life-Giving Wounds traveling retreat team from Friday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, October 1 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Francis Centre (208501 Highway 9, Caledon). Cost per individual is \$300 (\$260 for full-time post-secondary students and those in consecrated life), which includes several meals, overnight lodging, and all materials. Must be 18 or older to attend. To register, visit bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat2023. For more information, please email lgwtoronto@proton.me.

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (18 – 24 June)





TORONTO MAYORAL ELECTION

For these seeking guidance in the June 29 Mayoral by-election, the civic evangelization organization Catholic Conscience has posted resources, including responses to its questionnaire provided by candidates, on its website at https://catholicconscience.org/canada/ontario/toronto2023/

YCDSB SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Register your child at a York Catholic District School Board elementary school for the 2023 - 2024 school year during July and August by visiting www.ycdsb.ca/admissions.



To reserve your tickets, please contact the parish office at (905)-660-1253 or email us at stjosephtheworkerth@archtoronto.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S NORTH OF 60° FOOD DRIVE

From June 24th to July 2nd, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting food for the Inuit in Taloyoak in Nunavut. We are filling a 20-foot sea container along with other parishes in southern York Region. Our parish has been assigned a very specific list of items to collect. We are looking for: lard, sugar, pasta, pasta sauce, Mr. Noodles, hot chocolate powder, granola fruit bars and chocolate.

After the mass today, we have some orange shopping bags available for you to put in the items you are donating and return them to the church. We will transfer the food donations to St. Patrick's church in Markham where we have the container that will be shipped to Taloyoak.

If we run out of the orange bags, there are two flyers you can pick up with the list of items and more information on Taloyoak and our North of 60° project. Thank you for your support.

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