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Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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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.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: BEARING FRUIT FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

. . the one who hears the word of the kingdom. (Matthew 13:19)

What was "the word of the kingdom" that Jesus refers to in today's Gospel passage (Matthew 13:19)? Simply this: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand" (4:17). It's the "word" that Jesus proclaimed when he launched his public ministry. He had come to usher in God's kingdom, and he wanted his disciples—and all of us—to help it expand and grow and bear fruit. So let's look at this familiar parable of the sower and the seed from the perspective of bearing fruit for God's kingdom.

Jesus doesn't want us to be the seed that falls on the path—the people who never really understand the scope of God's call to them. Our faith isn't just a matter of following a set of rules. Jesus invites us to something greater: cooperating with him in making his kingdom a reality wherever we live and work. And if we think we aren't worthy or talented enough, he wants us to recognize that those thoughts are from the evil one!

Jesus also warns us not to become the seed that falls on rocky soil—those who feel overwhelmed by the hardships and sacrifices involved when we say yes to God's call. He knows that we can persevere only when we are rooted in him and focus not just on the difficulties but also the blessings of following him.

Finally, taking up Jesus' call to bear fruit for his kingdom means making it the most important priority in our lives. He doesn't want us to be like the seed among thorns and let other concerns distract us from his own concerns.

Today at Mass, ask yourself, *How is Jesus calling me to bear fruit for his kingdom? How will I respond?* Remember, you're not on your own! Jesus is with you always, giving you the grace day by day to help you make his heavenly kingdom a reality, right where you are!

"Jesus, help me to understand how I can bear fruit for you."

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 55.10-11

Second Reading: Romans 8.18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13.1-23

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 16 July, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Christopher Malatesta

Sunday 16 July, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 16 July, 12:00 PM + Judith Martires

Tuesday 18 July, 9:00 AM

+ Josephine Sestito

Wednesday 19 July, 7:00 PM

+ Deceased Members of the Tamangi Family

Thursday 20 July, 9:00 AM

+ Leandro & Librada Pacificador

Friday 21 July, 7:00 PM

- + Horacio Machado
- + Raffaele & Alvina Toccogna
- + Deceased Members of the Collantes Family

Birthday Blessings for Darrel

Saturday 22 July, 9:00 AM

+ Maria Liberta Sanzo

Saturday 22 July, 5:00 PM

+ Luigi Marsiglio

VISIO DIVINA

Come and join us on July 26, 2023, at 7:30 pm in the church hall for ancient form of prayer called Visio Divina. This is a process of contemplative praying with Sacred art and Icons. For this session we will focus on the Birth of the Virgin. This is a time of reflection, introspection, and seeing Our Blessed Mother Mary through the lens of this image. Light refreshments will be served after the Visio Divina process. All are warmly welcomed to attend!



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN QUARTER THE (16 22 LIE)

MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services' Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated on Wednesday August 16 at 7 p.m. Masses throughout the Greater Toronto Area and Barrie will take place for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic Cemeteries.

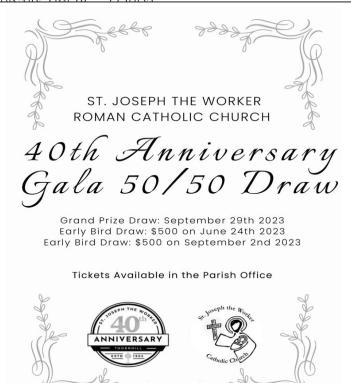
The closest cemetery to our parish is Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill with celebrant Most Rev. John A Boissonneau. In the Event of rain, masses will be celebrated in Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery.

For more information, and for the full list of cemetery locations please visit:

https://bit.ly/AnnualMassFaithfulDeparted2023

All parishioners are encouraged to attend and continue to pray for the deceased.







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