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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. Please do not wait till the last moment. Sacrament of anointing is for the sick.

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. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: A HEAVENLY VISION

We look not to what is seen but to what is unseen. (2 Corinthians 4:18)

St. Paul must have been a marvel! Not only was he a passionate apostle and evangelist, but he was also a skilled theologian and writer. He founded some of the most important churches in the ancient world. More than one-quarter of the New Testament was either written by him, written about him, or attributed to him. What's more, Paul accomplished all of this while enduring ongoing persecution and suffering!

What kept Paul going? Today's second reading gives us the answer: his heart was filled with a heavenly vision. Paul could consider beatings and shipwrecks as "light affliction" because he had received glimpses of the "eternal weight of glory" that awaited him (2 Corinthians 4:17.) He could make light of how his "outer self" was "wasting away" because the Lord kept renewing his "inner self" (4:16). And he was able to keep his focus off the hardships staring him in the face because he kept seeking insight into "what is unseen," the eternal truths of a loving, faithful God (4:18).

All of this may sound hopelessly out of reach, but the truth is, the kind of heavenly vision St. Paul describes is open to everyone. That's because it doesn't depend on our talents but on the Spirit's grace. All he asks of us is faithfulness to prayer, an open and humble heart, and a promise to be patient as he slowly opens our eyes.

God wants to give you a heavenly vision! Even in the midst of any "light afflictions" you may be experiencing, he can give you his consolation and strength. Even when you can't seem to see the way ahead, he will bring the path to heaven into sharper focus. So keep fixing your heart on "what is unseen." Keep asking the Spirit to help you look at "what is seen" with new eyes (2 Corinthians 4:18). This is one prayer he loves to answer!

"Lord, open my eyes! Fill me with a vision of heaven!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 3.8-15

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4.13 – 5.1

Gospel: Mark 3.20-35

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9 June, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Deceased Members of the Vecchiato Family

Sunday 9 June, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

Sunday 9 June, 12:00 PM

+ Deacon Dominic Pullano

Tuesday 11 June, 9:00 AM

The Almoceda Family

Wednesday 12 June, 7:00 PM

+ Antonio Torres, + Virginia de la Cruz

+ Giovanni Carelli, + Jhonny Ferrera

+ Potito Lentini

Birthday Blessings for Antonio Tartaglia

Thursday 13 June, 9:00 AM

The Jeong Family

Friday 14 June, 7:00 PM

+ Peter Diguseppe

+ Achille & Erminia Zeppieri

+ All Souls in Purgatory

+ Rina Rugosi

Blessings for the Alexander Family

Saturday 15 June, 9:00 AM

In thanksgiving for Adrianna

Saturday 15 June, 5:00 PM

+ Fiorella & Enzo Quattrini

AN APPRECIATION SOIREE FOR FR. VICTOR

With mixed emotions of sadness and gratitude, we come together to bid farewell to our beloved Father Victor, who has been a guiding light in our community since 2022. As he embarks on a new chapter in his journey of service to God, we invite all of you to join us in celebrating his time with us and wishing him well in his future endeavors.

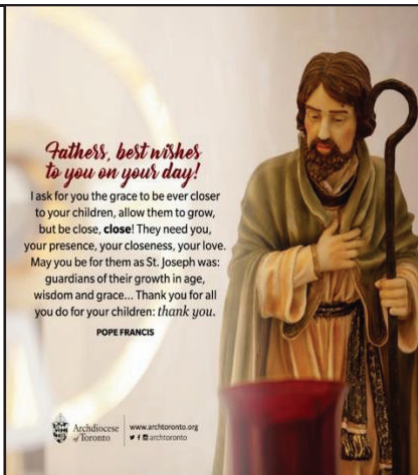
To honor Father Victor and express our appreciation for his dedication, **there will be a get-together after the 5pm mass on Saturday, the 22nd of June & the 9am mass on Sunday, the 23rd of June.** There will also be an appreciation soiree held in his honor **on the same Sunday, the 23rd of June after the 10:30am, as well as the 12pm mass** in the St. Joseph the Worker school yard. This will be a time for fellowship, sharing memories, and offering our prayers for his continued success and happiness.

We encourage everyone to bring fruit platters to go along with a barbecue organized by the Knights of Columbus, as we gather to express our gratitude and bid farewell to a cherished member of our community. Please also bring your own lawn chairs, if you wish to lounge. Let us make this a memorable occasion filled with love, laughter, and heartfelt farewells. If you are considering a gift for Father, we recommend bringing it during the weekend of the 22nd & 23rd.

Please join us in extending our best wishes and expressing our deepest gratitude to Father Victor for his unwavering commitment and service to our parish. Your presence at the farewell party will surely mean a great deal to him as he transitions to new responsibilities.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Come and join us in learning more about the women of the Bible. Join us on Wednesday, June 12 after the 7 PM Mass. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. Please bring a notebook and a bible.




Building a Culture of Stewardship that Engages all Ages

June 19, 2024
10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

REGISTER ONLINE:
<https://bit.ly/PVWS-RegisterJune2024>

Engaging people to live as disciples and grow as good stewards is most effective when the culture of the parish imbues the spirit of stewardship. Such a culture not only touches people spiritually and practically, it also fosters parish life that is filled with vitality and joy. Explore ways to build a culture of stewardship now and for the future. **Register today!**

GUEST PRESENTER:  Leisa Anslinger, Director, Catholic Life and Faith



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

North of 60 Food collection for Taloyoak Nunavut

From June 9 to June 30, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting food for the Taloyoak, Nunavut.

Some of the items we are looking for are:

Luncheon Meat, Tinned Ham, Jam, Peanut Butter, Pasta Sauce, Juices in Tetra Packs, Granola Bars and chocolate Powder, etc.

Thank you for your support.

STREET PATROL

Our upcoming Street Patrol trip is on Saturday, June 15, 2024. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:30 am to make meal packages before we head downtown. 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 to shop at Walmart, No Frills, McDonalds

For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

(2 Corinthians 4:17-18)

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR NEWLY LAUNCHED FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Do you know talented, young Catholic professionals, with the potential to be impactful leaders in society for the mission of the Church? We invite you to share with them a newly launched fellowship program in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the **Lumen Gentium Forum**. The Lumen Gentium Forum is an eight-month experience focused on building up Catholic leaders for the Church and for society, offered by CAPP-Canada—the Canadian arm of a Vatican foundation founded by Pope Saint John Paul II—and launched in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Lumen Gentium Fellows will experience serious spiritual and intellectual formation with a focus on discovering Catholic social doctrine and its practical application to today's most pressing issues. They will participate in monthly meetings featuring Eucharistic adoration, dinner, small-group conversation and talks from senior Catholic leaders, together learning how to advance Gospel values in their industries and institutions. This is an extraordinary opportunity for young people who want to live out a Christian mission in their careers and cultural engagement—those eager lay apostles who, in the words of Lumen Gentium, “seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God.”

We are seeking your recommendations for candidates. Working Catholic professionals aged 25-40 can apply directly via the program website at www.LumenForum.ca. Applications will be reviewed as they are submitted, and the first round of accepted candidates will be informed after June 15. The cohort will launch in September 2024 and conclude in May 2025.

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