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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Fri - Closed Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Evening Reception

Wed.

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY — Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

SPANISH MASS — Sunday 2:00 p.m. **WEEKDAY MASSES** — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:20 a.m.

Wednesday (Rosary at 6:30 p.m.) 7:00 p.m. (OLPH Devotions)

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

On first Friday of each month following morning mass.

005-668-3676

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION — Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. By appointment any time.

PARISH REGISTRATION — All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

N.B. — When parishioners move you are asked to notify the parish office.

INFANT BAPTISMS — Two Sudays per month at 4:00 p.m. Contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obliged to participate in our baptismal preparation program.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE — The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course.

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM — Children attending public, private or alternative school are required to participate in this program from grade 1 - 7 in order to prepare to receive the sacraments.

VISITATION OF THE SICK — Please notify the Rectory when a member of your family is in the hospital.

BULLETIN DEADLINE — Monday 9:00 a.m. in writing or by e-mail.

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Message from the Pastor

The Peace of Christ be with you all!

We celebrate this Sunday the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. On the First Reading, from the Book of Daniel, we are presented with a prophecy about the end times. It encourages us to hope and to be faithful to the Lord. If we remain steadfast and rely in the Lord, the Lord will protect us and take care of us. All of us have concerns and fears, but the Lord promises that He will provide for us. The Second Reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, shows how Jesus Christ has offered Himself for our salvation and He wants to share His life with us. We are called to be open and to welcome His transformative mercy in our hearts. In the Gospel, from St. Mark, we see how Christ encourages to His disciples to trust in Him during difficulties and struggles. It is true that we all face hardships and setbacks. However, we are called not to give up and be discouraged, but to rely in the Lord and to live at peace. Christ is stronger than any problem and situation and He will make us go through them unharmed. We need to lift up our eyes and focus on the comforting sign of the Cross of Christ. In the Cross, we realize that He has died and risen for us so that we can find refuge and unending life in Him. Let us put our struggles and problems in God's hands so that in Him we may find peace, strength, and support, He will surely help us so that we will be always at peace no matter what!

We are still asking you to register for weekend masses by aoina website (stjohntheevangelistwh.archtoronto.org) and click for register for mass with Eventbrite. The capacity of the Church is limited because of social distance, and we want to make sure that everybody is welcomed. We really encourage everybody to come and attend mass in person. I encourage you to invite everyone you know to come back to meet with God and with the parishioners. We will love so see families and young people coming back to mass. The weekend masses are at 5pm on Saturdays, 9am, 11 am and 2 pm in Spanish on Sundays. Confessions will be available again on Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm. On Sundays, confessions will be from 1:30pm to 2pm in Spanish. Let us experience the immense love of God for us and our families!

May God bless us with his peace!

Fr. Francisco Fernandez, Your servant and your Pastor

CHRISTMAS GIVING – 2021

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be assisting our neighbours in need at Christmas.

Due to the restrictions of Covid 19, to safely assist our neighbours in need this year, we are not able to provide gifts. Only gift cards will be distributed. To support this endeavour, we are requesting your support with either cash or cheque donations. The Society provides tax receipts for cash or cheque donations. Donations of gift cards are also gratefully accepted. However, unfortunately we are not able to provide receipts for gift cards.

During the months of October and November, please use the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul envelopes which are available on the back counter in the Church. We will use your generous donations to purchase gift cards, and will distribute them to our neighbours in need in early December. It would be very helpful if we received your donation by November 30th, 2021.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE FOR TAX RECEIPT PURPOSES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. John the Evangelist Conference BUNDLE SUNDAY TODAY AFTER ALL MASSES

Our conference at St. John's will be holding a Bundle Weekend Collection drive to serve our neighbours in need living in the Durham community. A truck will be parked in St. John Parish parking lot over the weekend Nov 13/14 accepting gently used/new clothing, coats, linens, towels, bedding, textiles, drapery, shoes/boots. We CANNOT accept furniture, appliances, mattresses, used baby equipment, books, dishes, construction material or video tapes. Please bring your items to the truck after mass Saturday at 5pm, Sunday 9am or 11am. A member of the conference will assist you with your donation. Thank you!



The Shepherds' Trust Special Collection November 13/14, 2021

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to raise awareness and funds so that elderly priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a

dignified life after many years of ministry. The fund supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. By supporting The Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years.

For more information about The Shepherds' Trust please visit www.shepherdstrust.org.



Sat Nov 13 – 5:00pm

+Michelle Stairs

reg. by Fred & Jacqui Shady & Family

Mon Nov 15 - 8:20am

+Frances Mary Beresford

req. by Roxana & Raffele Dell'Osso

Tues Nov 16 - 8:20am

+Eugene Bowles

req. by Jack & Betty McCabe

Wed Nov 17 - 7:00pm

+Rosa Ridino-Cannella

req. by Tony & Rosa Cannella

+Eleanor O'Connor

req. by Mary Louise LaBarre & Ken Reilly & Family

+Fortunato, Maria & Daniele Ciardullo

reg. by Anna & Natale Ciardullo

+Deceased Members of the Broderick, Harrington & MacAllen Family

req. by Joy & Joe Broderick

+Suzanne Gosling

req. by Her Family +Intentions for All Souls

reg. by Parish Intention

Thurs Nov 18 - 8:20am

+Frances Mary Beresford

req. by Ava & Hugo Maldonado

Fri Nov 19 - 8:20am

+Bridget Carolan

req. by Pat Milburn

Employment Opportunity

We are seeking a full-time custodian at St. John's for general cleaning and maintenance for the church, parish centre, parish office and grounds. You must be physically fit and able to lift 50 pounds. Please submit your resume by email to stjohntheevangelistwh@archtoronto.org. No telephone calls please. Only those selected applicants considered for the position will be notified for an interview.



From now through November 15, our gifts to ShareLife will be matched by a generous donor up to a total of \$750,000.

"Thank you to each and every person who showed solidarity with those who suffer by making a sacrificial gift." – Cardinal Thomas Collins



The Book of Life

The month of November is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls,

having at its' beginning, the two great feasts - All Saints and All Souls. To commemorate your faithful departed family and friends, you are invited to submit a page for the "Book of Life." This page should be 8 ½" by 11" and fit into a standard 3-ring binder. On it you may type or print the names of whomever you would like to have remembered in a special way at all our parish Masses during November. You may decorate your "Family Page" in whatever way you wish, as long as it fits the above requirements. This "Book of Life" will be left in the sanctuary during November to remind us to pray, at church and at home for our loved ones. Please note previous years of pages are included already.

Please include your name and address for tax receipt purposes on the donation envelopes.



Let's put *People and Planet First* with Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's new campaign!

In Honduras and Cambodia, organizations supported by Development and Peace are raising the voices of communities oppressed by a model of economic development that violates their rights. The Honduran Center for the Promotion of Community Development (CEHPRODEC) trains environmental leaders to defend natural resources, the environment and human rights. In Cambodia, Development and Partnership in Action (DPA)'s mission is, in part, to enable communities affected by extractive industries to gain advocacy skills so they can organize and defend their rights.

World leaders have gathered for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26). Although these powerful decision-makers are debating the future of the planet, they are probably too far removed from the realities of its most vulnerable people. It is up to us to hear and amplify the voices of those who are defending their rights and the environment against economic ravage.

Medarda Hernandez, whose community in Honduras has been repeatedly harmed by large industrial projects, including supposedly "green" projects, says, "if other extractivist projects start in our community, we are not going to let them pass. I ask the international community to come to our aid, because we are really suffering from this situation."

So that people like Medarda do not go unheard, let's make Canadian companies operating abroad responsible for protecting human and environmental rights. Join Development and Peace's **People and Planet First** campaign to make this happen. Visit https://devp.org/en to learn more.

To learn more about the campaign, browse our new website: https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/people-planet-first/.



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