

January 21st, 2024

Sunday Readings: Jon. 3.1-10 Ps. 25 1Cor. 7.29-31 Mk. 1.14-20



FIRST COMMUNION

Our next gathering is on Monday
February 5th @ 6:00-7:30
OR
Saturday, Feb. 10th @ 10:30am-12pm

CONFIRMATION

We remind all candidates and parents to provide a Baptismal Certificate. You can send via email or bring in a copy at our next gathering.

Our next gathering will be on
Monday January 22 @ 6:30-8:00pm OR **Saturday January 27 @ 10:30 am - 12:00pm**



EDGE

Unfortunately, we had to postpone our last EDGE Night due to poor weather. Our next night will be on
Friday Feb 2 @ 6:00-8:15.
Open to all in Grade 5-8.
we will continue our series
MAPP OUT YOUR LIFE.

LIFE TEEN

Our next LifeTEEN gathering will be on
Saturday Jan 20 following the 5pm
Mass. We invite all Grad 9-12 to participate.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Inviting all Young Adults 19-35 to
Theology on Tap. A great opportunity to come together with other Young Adults, for some food and great speakers. The next one is Sunday January 21 @ 6:00-9:00pm at the Flying Monkeys Pub

CYCLE OF CATECHESIS. 2. The spiritual striving

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Last week we introduced the theme of vices and virtues. It refers to the spiritual struggle of the Christian. Indeed, the spiritual life of the Christian is not peaceful, linear and without challenges; on the contrary, Christian life demands constant struggle: the Christian struggle to preserve the faith, to enrich the gifts of faith in us. It is no coincidence that the first anointing that every Christian receives in the sacrament of Baptism — the catechumenal anointing — is without any aroma and symbolically announces that life is a struggle. In fact, in ancient times, wrestlers were fully anointed before a competition, both to tone their muscles and to make their bodies elusive to their opponent's grasp. The anointing of catechumens immediately makes it clear that Christians are not spared the struggle, that Christians must struggle: their existence, like everyone else's, will have to descend into the arena, because life is a succession of trials and temptations.

A famous saying attributed to Abba Anthony the Great, the first great father of monasticism, goes like this: "Remove temptations and no one would be saved". Saints are not men and women who have been spared temptation, but rather people who are well aware of the fact that in life, the seductions of evil appear repeatedly, to be unmasked and rejected. We have all experienced this, all of us: that a bad thought comes to you, that you feel a desire to do this, or to speak badly of others...

All of us, all of us are tempted, and we must strive not to give in to these temptations. If any of you have no temptations, say so, because that would be an extraordinary thing! We all have temptations, and we all have to learn how to behave in these situations. There are many people who absolve themselves, who consider themselves to be "just fine" — "No, I am good, I don't have these problems". But none of us is "alright"; if someone feels they are alright, they are dreaming; every one of us has many things to adjust, and must also be vigilant. And at times it happens that we go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and we say, sincerely, "Father, I don't remember, I don't know if I have any sins...". But this is a lack of awareness of what is happening in the heart. We are all sinners, all of us.

And a little examination of conscience, a little insight, will be good for us.

Otherwise, we run the risk of living in the dark, because we have become accustomed to darkness and no longer know how to distinguish good from evil. Isaac of Nineveh said that, in the Church, those who know their sins and mourn them are greater than those who raise a dead man. We must all ask God for the grace to recognize ourselves as poor sinners, in need of conversion, keeping in our hearts the confidence that no sin is too great for the infinite mercy of God the Father. This is the opening lesson Jesus gives us. *TBC*

Pope Francis, January 3rd, 2024



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD-JANUARY 21ST

Consequently, I hereby declare that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God. This *Sunday of the Word of God* will thus be a fitting part of that time of the year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity. This is more than a temporal coincidence: the celebration of the *Sunday of the Word of God* has ecumenical value, since the Scriptures point out, for those who listen, the path to authentic and firm unity.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024 @ 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral, 455 Ferrier St

Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church..
All are welcome to attend.

International Holocaust Day and Antisemitism
Sunday, January 27, 2024

Office for Promoting Christian Unity & Religious Relations with Judaism
At the beginning of this New Year, we are ever mindful of the gift of the Prince of Peace in our lives.

Webinar: January 28, 2024, 4-5:30 p.m. ET

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/ajl-biblical>

May the Jesus Christ, Light of the Nations, inspire all that we do in His Holy Name for the life of the world.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.



MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH

4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Sunday Mass & Baptism

♦ For God's blessing for Vanessa Tota on her birthday-
Tota Family

LIFETEEN

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 21st

Sunday of the Word of God

8:00am Sunday Mass † Elizabeth Kawa-Jozef Kawa

9:00am Elim Prayer Group (r#1)

10:00am Sunday Mass & Baptisms

For Parishioners

12:00pm Polish Mass & Baptism

† Teresa Kedracka-from daughters and family

† Tadeusz Mroczka-Family & Friends

♦ For God's blessing for Leonarda Sarnecka on her birthday-Family

♦ For God's blessing for CWL Members

♦ For God's blessing for Zajkowski & Maś Families-Family

♦ For God's blessing for Krystyna Henryk Borowski-Children & Fam.

♦ For healing & God's blessing for Mirosława Barcicka-Zdyb Family

♦ For healing & God's blessing for Elizabeth & Family-Pierzchała Fam.

♦ In the intention known by God-Pierzchała Family

♦ For God's blessing & Peace in Poland-Bialo Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 22nd – St. Vincent

6:30pm Confirmation session#2 (church & hall)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23rd

7:00pm Daily Mass

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24th – St. Francis de Sales

9:00am Daily Mass

10:30am Bob Rumball Mass

5:30pm St. Vincent de Paul – food distribution

7:00pm Choir practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25th – The Conversion of St. Paul

7:00pm Polish Mass ♦ For healing & God's blessing for
Zdzisława Cisło on her birthday-Tomek & Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26th – St. Timothy & St. Titus

9:00am Daily Mass & All Day Adoration

9:30am Rosary Apostolate (hall) 6:30pm Divine Mercy Prayers

7:00pm Daily Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27th – St. Angela Merici

9:00am Daily Mass

♦ For God's blessing for Lorraine and Bill French-Marc & Anne' Garipey
Prayer: For January Wedding Anniversaries

10:30am Confirmation session#2 (church & hall)

4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Sunday Mass ♦ For Parishioners

This weekend - Articles from Holy Land

4TH SUNDAY IN OT, JANUARY 28th

8:00am Sunday Mass

♦ For God's blessing for Dolores D'Souza on her birthday-Family

10:00am Sunday Mass

† Harold Nash, +George Maizis-Joan Leddy Nash Maizis

12:00pm Polish Mass

† Zofia Kaluska

† Tomasz Sepko-Family

† Stanisław & Janina Dziuba-Anna & Josep Pyz and Family

† Zajkowski, Szorts, Kochański & Miastkowski Families-Family

† Grzegorz Pierzchała-Rose OL of Czestochowa

♦ For God's blessing for Kołodziej Family-Janina Adamcewicz

3:00pm OSG Prayer Group (fpr)

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO – February 11, 2024 at 3 p.m.

ST. Michael Cathedral-54 Bond St. Toronto

Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. The celebration will be livestreamed as well. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTRE INVITES CANCER PATIENT AND CAREGIVERS TO A DAY OF RETREAT

To Experience God's Healing Love-Saturday, February 17, 2024
Registration 8:30 am; Cost: \$45.00

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga

For more information, please contact: Jean at

905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca

FREE ONLINE SESSIONS:

Drop-In Bereavement Support Session:

January 24, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbbd0124.eventbrite.ca>

Drop-In Separated/Divorced Support Session:

January 25, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbsdd0124.eventbrite.ca>

15TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE Saturday March 23, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)

Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins

Speakers: Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare; Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God

Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer

Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson

(wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson)

TO REGISTER VISIT www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

PARISH INFORMATION

CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Attention all women 16 years and older

Throughout the month of January members of the CWL will be available to sign up new members before and after each Mass. We hope you will take a few moments to speak with one of our members and join the CWL or renew your membership.
Thank you.

ST. VALENTINE'S DINNER AND DANCE TICKETS

This year's theme is "RIO CARNIVAL", there will be a fully catered dinner, silent auction, entertainment and dancing. Please join us on Saturday, February 10, 2024. Call Tina Lockyer 705-817-1434 or Iwona Jaszczur 705-241-7606 for tickets, or see us after Mass.

Also, many hands make light work, please contact us to offer help for Silent Auction and collecting items

PRAYER REQUEST FOR:

Esther, John, Piotr, Randall, Włodzimierz, Neil, Rocky, Nina, Ela, Louise, Zofia, Kasia, Mary, Mirosława, Stefania, Teresa Donna, Frania (18 months boy), Angela, Juraj, Kazimierz, Cris, Marilyne, Deacon Stephen, Rina, Basia, Paul-John, Jacob, Volodymyr, Jan, Jacek, Mirek, Teresa, Dylan, Jacek, Adelaine, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Cáceres, Rios, Alonso, SantaCruz families, Linda, Krysia.

IS YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN JANUARY?

Write your name and the number of years you have been married on the list in the hallway. You will be prayed for on JANUARY 27TH @ 9 a.m. Mass.

You do not have to be present. PRINT CLEARLY your name on the list.

