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## **Pastor**

Rev. Anthony Iacobelli

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## **Celebration of The Eucharist**

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am  
Thursday: 12:00 noon

**Eucharistic Adoration** (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.  
Or by appointment.

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

Second Sunday of the Month  
By appointment only.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance.  
An approved preparation course is mandatory.

## **Parish School**

St. Michael Catholic Academy 905-889-4816

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# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 20, 2019

## MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK



Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> – Jan 26<sup>th</sup>

Tues. 8:30 am - Souls of the Unborn †

Wed. 8:30 am - Robert Folk †

Thurs. Noon - Steve Waters †

Fri. 8:30 am - Agnes Theresa Lee †

Sat. 4:30 pm - Kevin D'Mello †

## READINGS FOR – January 27<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Neh. 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.12-30

Gospel: Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21



## WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

JANUARY 20 2019

"The phenomenon of migration today is a providential opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel in the contemporary world. Men and women from various regions of the earth who have not encountered Jesus Christ or know him only partially, ask to be received in countries with an ancient Christian tradition. It is necessary to find adequate ways for them to meet and to become acquainted with Jesus Christ and to experience the invaluable gift of salvation." (Pope Benedict XVI)



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The regular monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be held this Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, beginning with Mass at 7:00 p.m. New members are always welcome!

## TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made between January 1<sup>st</sup> - December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 will be available by the **end of February**. If you want us to mail your receipt, please drop a self-addressed, stamped envelope in the collection basket. (Donations made on/after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 will count towards next year's tax receipt.) As per the Archdiocese, donations for Masses offered are not tax deductible.

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

**"This was the first of the signs given by Jesus; it was given at Cana in Galilee."**

The Gospel of this second Sunday of Ordinary Time continues the theme of the end of Christmas - revelation. Jesus is revealed to the world by his birth, by his baptism, and by his miracles - the "signs" as John calls them. The wedding in today's Gospel is interpreted in many ways: today, reading the Gospel with the First Reading in mind, we can see it as an image of the way in which God is so close to his people, it is as though He is married to them. Thus Jesus, the spouse of the people, shows God's closeness by revealing his glory in this miracle. We see Jesus saving the couples's dignity by providing wine when they had run out. Jesus overcomes His reluctance to reveal himself at that moment, and He is exceedingly generous with the quality and quantity of the wine He contributes.

The readings also encourage us to reflect on our gifts and talents. They are about recognizing what the good Lord has given us. It's about recognizing our charisms, so that we will give thanks to God and try to use them in our lives for other people not just for our own good. The more you have, the more you should be a servant. Saint Paul reminds us that we are given the gifts of the Spirit to use for the common good. Participation in the New Evangelization, which flows from our encounter and relationship with Jesus, begins with our very human care and concern for each other. May our lives be a fulfillment of what the Lord Jesus has commanded of us. May we know his Word, meditate on it, and apply it in our lives. And remember Mary, who knows our problems and intercedes for us to grow in strength and confidence. Today, as we remember migrants and refugees, let us resolve to use our gifts to give others their dignity.



## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

**Please print your name and address for the first few weeks so that we can double check our records.**



**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS  
WITH CARDINAL COLLINS  
FEBRUARY 10, 2019 AT 4:00 P.M.**



As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 Celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at on Sunday, February 10 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Clare of Assisi Parish (150 St. Francis Ave., Woodbridge). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend – couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online or by phone to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) or by calling (416) 934-3400 X523.

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**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2019  
ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE**

**“Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue”**

**Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm**

**Location: St. James Anglican**

**Cathedral**

**106 King Street East - Toronto  
(King & Church Streets)**



Come and join us for an ecumenical prayer service led by Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox bishops along with Leaders from Christian Churches in the GTA. Refreshments to follow the service. All are welcome! For more information please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at the Archdiocese of Toronto (416) 934-3400 ext. 344.

**Ministry with Maturing Adults  
Spirituality in the Second Half of Life  
Winter Program**

Inviting men and women (50+) to learn more about faith development in the second half of life.

First session - Friday, January 25, 2019

Coffee: 9:15 a.m.

Start Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Topic: **“St. Oscar Romero: Celebrating a Witness to Love”**

Facilitator: Viola Athaide

Register: [gspadmin@bellnet.ca](mailto:gspadmin@bellnet.ca) or phone 905-881-1534

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten registration began January 7, 2019 in all York Catholic Elementary schools. We look forward to welcoming your child into our schools, where we emphasize academic success using a curriculum that is infused with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You can register your child at your local Catholic school. For more information, please visit our website at [www.ycdsb.ca/admissions](http://www.ycdsb.ca/admissions).



**PILGRIMAGE MARTYR SHRINE MIDLAND**



We have reserved the Canadian Martyr Shrine in Midland, Ontario for a Parish Pilgrimage on June 15, 2019. The bus departs at 8:00 a.m. arriving for 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Following Mass there will be a presentation, picnic lunch and a tour of the grounds. The cost is \$50.00 which includes the bus and a donation to the Shrine. A sign-up sheet will be at the back of the church for a few weeks for those interested. No payment required at this time.

**2019 PARISH SPRING SOCIAL**

**Save the date!! April 27, 2019!!** It's time for our community to get together and enjoy a delicious meal and dance the night away at St. Bonaventure's Parish Hall. More details to follow.



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