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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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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – Nov. 10, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK



Nov. 12th – Nov. 16th

Tues. 8:30 am – Annie & Demetrius Viegas †

Wed. 8:30 am – Kang Soo Seol †

Thurs. Noon – In Thanksgiving – Coutinho Family

Fri. 8:30 am – Anthony & Rosemary Sung †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Mendez Family †

READINGS FOR – November 17

1st Reading: Malachi 4.1-2

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12

Gospel: Luke 21.5-19



2020 SUNDAY MISSALS will be available for sale at the back of the Church this weekend. We encourage parishioners to purchase a missal and read the Word of God ahead of Mass; to savour the richness of the readings and to find healing through God's word.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxed sets for 2020 envelopes will be available shortly. If you are not currently using parish envelopes and wish to have a set issued, please take a moment and complete a form in the foyer today.



If there is a change in address, phone number, etc., please inform the office in **writing**. Please email: gspadmin@bellnet.ca



Each November 11, the City of Toronto hosts Remembrance Day ceremonies to remember and pay respect to those who have given their lives in service to our country. In serving their country and making

the ultimate sacrifice, they created and shaped the rights and freedoms we enjoy today. Thank you to the men and women of the Canadian Forces, past and present. Your courage, sacrifice and strength will never be forgotten.

"A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself."

Joseph Campbell

THE WORD THIS WEEK

"He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

We can thank the Sadducees today. They came to our Lord with what they thought was a case that would make the doctrine of the resurrection look very ridiculous. It would have appeared so, if it were understood in the crude sense which they gave it, namely, that we would come forth again from the grave in the very same bodies which we now have, with all their needs and instincts. Our Lord corrected that erroneous idea. We shall all rise to a new and eternal life, in a form and an existence very different from that of our present life. Thus, the question of ownership of wives or property will not, and cannot, arise in our new life. He gave us a brief but basic description of what our risen bodies will be. I am sure that most of us would love to know a lot more about what our future state will be like. But if we knew all, then where would our faith and trust in God come in? Some saints are said to have had brief visions of the joys of heaven. They wanted to die immediately in order to get there. God wants each one of us to attain heaven, by living our life on earth, and trusting in His word that heaven will be our eternal home if we do our part here below. That is why our hope is in the God who renews the world. A hope not just in something that may not be or in something that has long since passed, but a hope rooted in a relationship that continues to transform us every day.

When we view the past, present and future in light of the resurrection, we are in solidarity with those who have gone before, those who journey with us now and those who are yet to come. It is the "bigger picture" and a shared mission with the saints to help transform the world by the love of God that transforms our own hearts.

Let each one of us look into our own conscience today. Let us ask ourselves, how we would fare if death should claim us tonight. If there are sins on our conscience, which we would not want there when facing our just Judge, we still have time to approach the merciful Father. The Christian who does this daily, or even weekly, will not worry when death calls. We can rest assured that it is the beginning of the true and everlasting life, planned for us by God before time began.

Spirituality in the Second Half of Life

Friday, Nov. 22, 2019 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Topic: **"Visio Divina – Holy or Divine Looking"**

Friday, Nov. 29, 2019 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Topic: **"Grandparents"**

Dates and topics will be announced in December for the Winter 2019 Program.

Inviting men & women 50+ to attend.



JOIN US ON FRIDAY NOV. 22nd AT 7:00 P.M.

FEATURE MOVIE

"Entertaining Angels - The Dorothy Day Story"

Dorothy Day is no saint. She lives hard, makes mistakes and endures the consequences. But the unquenchable fire burning within her cannot be contained. Dorothy wants to make a difference. During the Depression, she vows to house the homeless, feed the hungry and tend the sick. Easily said. Not easily done when her total finances amount to 97 cents in a battered canister. Yet Dorothy persists, walking on frequently stormy waters of faith.

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE AND BAZAAR

November 23rd and 24th

The ladies of the CWL will be holding the Annual Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale after all masses. Come and check out the assortment of Christmas Crafts, knitted goods, Christmas Baskets, baked goods and a raffle in the church hall. There will be something for everyone on your list. We would be happy to receive donations of baked goods from all members of the parish. Donations can be dropped off after 2:00 pm on Saturday Nov. 23 and before the Masses on Sunday, Nov. 24.



RIGHT TO LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Send your Christmas greetings while supporting the Right to Life Association. This organization gives a voice to unborn children and speaks out against assisted suicide and euthanasia. Cards will be available after all Masses starting Nov. 16/17. The cost is \$10.00.



**The Lion of Münster:
The Bishop Who Roared Against the Nazis**

Tuesday, November 12, 2019 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Blessed Trinity Parish Hall

3220 Bayview Ave., Toronto

With guest speaker Fr. Daniel Utrecht of the Oratory, Pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish and Professor at St. Philip's Seminary. Fr. Daniel will speak about the faith and resilience of Blessed Cardinal Clemens August von Galen during the Nazi period in Germany. Cardinal von Galen preached Catholic truth in the face of false ideology and racist theology, but he also prayed fervently for an end to the spiritual oppression of his people, both Jews and Catholics. This astounding story will inspire and motivate us in these challenging days. All are welcome.

SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 16th and 17th



As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. As we celebrate the 176th anniversary of our Archdiocese, we honour the men who have been instruments of the "Foundations of our Faith." Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust supports our priests to help them live their retirement years with dignity. The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese during the weekend of November 16th/17th. Envelopes will be distributed this weekend. As well, please consider remembering The Shepherds' Trust in your will. This trust fund is a tangible way to care for those who cared for us and to give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

FEED MY LAMBS

Trays and recipes will be handed out after all Masses this weekend. Please return your frozen casseroles next weekend, Nov. 16th/17th. We thank those who have been so committed to this program and invite all other parishioners to participate.

The results of the Social Events Survey have been posted on our Website. A hard copy is also available on the Bulletin Board.



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