

# St. Aidan Church

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## SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES

Saturday - 5:00 pm (vigil)

Sunday - 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday and Tuesday - 9:00 am

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

Thursday - 9:00 am

Friday - (Ad Orientem Mass) 9:30 am

- Adoration after 9:00 am Mass until 12:30 pm

- (Ad Orientem Mass) 7:30 pm

- Adoration from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm Mass

Saturday - 9:00 am

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory well in advance for general instruction.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:50 pm and 20 minutes before every Mass, except Friday evening.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact Father Steven one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering into marriage.

## COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Brought to the homebound every Sunday.  
Please contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707.

## MASS INTENTIONS

See Rose Ylagan at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.

## BULLETIN

Notices must be handed in by Tuesday morning. Please contact Office.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Aidan Catholic - 3521 Finch Avenue East - Telephone: 416-393-5350

St. Sylvester Catholic - 260 Silver Springs Blvd. - Telephone: 416-393-5373

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

See ad at back of bulletin or call 416-733-8544

(NOTE: There are now CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the Bulletin graphics.)

## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Steven Szakaczki - *Pastor*  
Luis Dizon - *Lay Pastoral Associate*  
Rose Ylagan - *Secretary*  
Amable Baylosis - *Custodian*

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday until 12:30 pm  
(Also after Sunday Masses in the Gift Shop.)

## DEVOTIONS

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday Devotions - 7:00 pm, Mass - 7:30 pm

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday - 7:30 pm

### ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

After the 9:30 am Friday Ad Orientem Mass,  
with Adoration until 12:30 pm,  
and again from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.  
(before the 7:30 pm Ad Orientem Mass).

## MINISTRIES

Altar Society - Marie Saldanha - 416-491-9876  
Altar Servers - Brenda Fernandes - 647-352-2756  
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Children's Program - Phillip Francis - 416-754-8417  
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Eucharistic Ministers - Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707  
First Holy Communion/Confirmation - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704  
Hospitality - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016  
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Marriage Preparation - Aggie & Wilfred Gomez - 416-292-5707  
Procession Coordinator - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016  
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Twelve Noon Choir - Franz Braganza - 647-273-0495  
Volunteers' Screening - Bettina Geniza - 416-493-0701

## SOCIETY LEADERS

Knights of Columbus - Mark Spanjers, GK - 1-519-616-2345  
Catholic Women's League - Patricia Lobo - 416-895-4621  
Legion of Mary - Marie Jacqueline Wo Kai Sang - 647-248-1762  
Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Savio Ferrao - 647-772-1319

**We welcome all new parishioners! Please register at the Gift Shop after all weekend Masses.**

**WE INVITE YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH MINISTRIES**

**St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church**

**Palm Sunday**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**April 10, 2022**

**Saturday April 9:**

5:00 pm Louise Rodnick

Joseph

+ Wilfredo Jara

+ Nerito Bathan

+ Peter & Zita Fernandes

+ Francis & Anna Leung

+ Neville Pereira & Clara Pereira

+ Felipe Contreras Aceron

Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday April 10:**

9:00 am + Lourdhu Savarimuthu

10:30 am In Thanksgiving of Anthony Loong

12:00 pm Pro – Populo

**Monday April 11:**

9:00 am + Deceased Members of Ferrao Family

**Tuesday April 12:**

9:00 am + Carmille Harrison

**Wednesday April 13:**

7:30 pm + Rafael Sr. & Maria Atizado

**Thursday April 14: Holy Thursday**

9:00 am **No Mass**

7:30 pm Mass of Holy Thursday

**Friday April 15: Good Friday**

9:30 am **No Mass**

1:00 pm Good Friday Service

3:00 pm Good Friday Service

7:30 pm **No Mass**

**Saturday April 9:**

9:00 am **No Mass**

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass



### ***National March for Life in Ottawa, Thursday, May 12***

Please consider joining Fr. Steven and other parishioners for the [March for Life](#) in Ottawa on **Thursday May 12th**. ***We will start with Mass at St. Aidan's at 6:15 am and leave the church for Ottawa at 7:00 am. We hope to be back at the parish by 8:30 pm.*** This event is being organized by our Knights of Columbus. Tickets for the bus are \$50 per person and will be sold after Sunday Masses.



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**ST. AIDAN - COUNCIL # 11332**

### ***Mama-Mia Fest***

St. Aidan's **Knights of Columbus** is organizing a **Mama-Mia Fest** for the weekend of **April 30 & May 1**. We would appreciate all parishioners to register in advance for this **mouth-watering, finger-licking, tasty take-away Dinner Box**. The package will include Noodles, Special Meat Sauce/Cheese Topping/Garlic Bread along with salad and salad dressing. The food is prepared by a Certified professional Chef who is one of our Brother Knights. Other volunteers are also certified food safety handlers. We ask that you register in advance for these Dinner Boxes, for a cost of **\$15 per box**. **The dinner boxes will be handed to you at the church hall kitchen.** The proceeds of this sale will go towards two worthy causes: [Share Life](#) and [Knights of Columbus Charities](#). We thank you in advance in anticipation of your kind support.

**For more information visit us at the foyer or call:**

<b>Mark Spanjers:</b>	<b>519-616-2345</b>
<b>Aris Dometita:</b>	<b>647-961-2449</b>
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# Missal Reflections

Reflections on Weekly Missal Readings by J. Luis Dizon

## ***The Value of the Old Testament Readings By Luis Dizon***

Every Sunday Mass, we hear three Scripture readings: One from the Old Testament (or Acts during Easter), one from the Epistles, and one from the Gospels. Most of the attention is given to the Gospel reading, and for good reason, because it is in the Gospel where we encounter the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Hence, most homilies focus on explaining the Gospel and its relevance for us.

However, we should not ignore the other readings, especially the first one. Many Catholics know little about the Old Testament beyond maybe the basic Bible stories everyone learns as a child. We hear stories from historical books such as Kings and Chronicles, or prophetic proclamations from the prophets like Isaiah and Jeremiah, and we don't quite know what to do with them. This is a shame, because the Old Testament provides the background for the New, without which much of what is in the New Testament simply doesn't make sense.

More importantly, our Old Testament readings always connect to the Gospel readings in some way. Sometimes they connect very directly, while other times the connection is more subtle. For example, this Sunday, we read a prophecy about in Isaiah 50:4-7 about a servant who is sent by God to speak to his people. At the end of the passage, the servant speaks of his sufferings, and how he continues to trust in the Lord despite this. That is where we learn that this passage actually foreshadows Christ, who is entering into Jerusalem to prepare for His death and resurrection. Thus, our reading in Isaiah helps shed light on our Lord's Passion in the Gospel.

St. Augustine once said, "In the Old Testament the New is concealed, in the New the Old is revealed." Our Missal readings reflect that. My hope is to explain the significance of our Old Testament readings, especially as they relate to the Gospel. That way, those listening to the readings can better appreciate why they are read during Mass.

*Those interested to learn more about the Old Testament readings can check out my website, [Missal Reflections](#), where I explain them in detail. During Easter season, I do the same for the Acts readings, which replace the usual Old Testament readings. In future articles for this bulletin, I hope to provide simplified versions of these explanations, which focus on the Gospel connection and practical application of the readings.*



The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
St. Aidan Council's

## FOOD BANK PROJECT

Runs from February 13, 2022 - June 30, 2022

"...Teach us to share with others at home and abroad, the good things You have given us." (From *The League Prayer*)

Parishioners are invited to participate in this project to boost the supplies at local food banks. Please consider picking up a few extra items from the list below during your regular grocery shopping to donate to this food project.

Please drop off your food items in the bins placed for this purpose in the church lobby.

Note that we are only collecting non-perishable items.



Food suggestions: (choose low sodium, low sugar, and high fibre options when possible).

- peanut butter
- canned soup
- canned fruit
- canned vegetables
- canned stew
- canned fish
- canned beans
- pasta sauce
- pasta (preferably whole grain)
- rice (preferably brown rice)
- cookies
- crackers
- oatmeal



*Thank you very much for your generosity*

### ***Update on CWL's Food Bank Project***

The **CWL St. Aidan Council** gratefully acknowledges our parishioners' ongoing donations to the **Food Bank Project**. [As of mid-March](#), we have delivered approximately 150 Kilograms of canned and other assorted food to [The Good Neighbours Food Bank](#) on Markham Road. This is a busy location supporting many families. It is not very large but has a full kitchen which provides hot meals to many drop-ins who can eat in or take out. Our food donations were gratefully accepted, and we wish to thank you our parishioners who are donating so generously especially in this challenging time when prices of food and other items are rising steadily.

**Our Food Bank Project runs until June 30, 2022.** Right now, we have another 65 kilograms of food packed and ready for delivery, and we intend supporting a second food bank, this one at the [Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities](#) on Eglinton Avenue East.

- Thank you and please look for regular updates in the bulletin.
- If you have questions, please email: [cwlcouncilstaidan@gmail.com](mailto:cwlcouncilstaidan@gmail.com)
- ***It all begins with sharing. No one should go hungry.***





### ***Free Bread on Fridays***

**As you may have noticed**, we have free bread available every Friday evening and Saturday, **with the option of leaving a donation for Covenant House**. The bread is from Costco, and has just expired. Instead of throwing it out, a kind parishioner delivers it to St. Aidan's. Thank you for the free gift donation some of you have given to help support **Covenant House**. **Covenant House** helps youth who are homeless and trafficked to have a new start on life. ***For the month of January, your bread donations of \$1,259.30 was sent to Covenant House.***



### ***Novena to St. Anthony***

**The online Novena to St. Anthony is on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm.** The **Zoom link** is posted on our parish website. The online Novena will continue every Tuesday, leading up to the Feast of St. Anthony. ***We will not be having our usual Tuesday evening Masses, even though the churches are open, so that more people can participate in the online Novena.*** You are welcome to write your intentions on a slip of paper and leave it in the basket by St. Anthony's statue. The intentions will be blessed and offered up every Tuesday during the Novena.



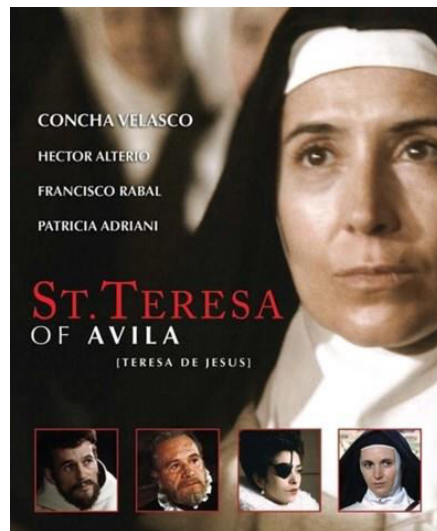
***Live Streaming of Sunday 10:30 am Mass***

Please note that the [Sunday 10:30 am Mass](#) will be regularly live-streamed.



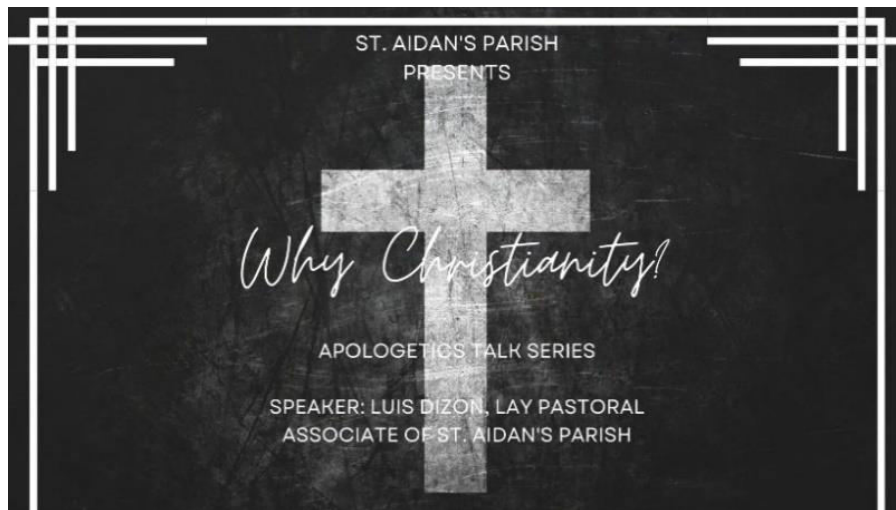
***Live Streaming of Weddings or Funerals***

[If you are interested in live streaming a church event](#), we are asking for \$300 to help us cover the costs of purchasing, maintaining and running the equipment.



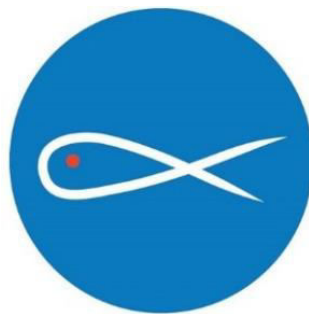
***Next Online Movie Night, Saturday April 23, 7:00 pm***

We will be watching the third part of a mini-series on the **Life of St. Teresa of Avila**. St. Teresa was one of the greatest mystics. She is a Doctor of the Church. This Series entails her conversion, transformation as well as her reform of the Carmelite Order which had fallen into tremendous laxity. **There are 8 parts to this mini-series.** Roughly every two weeks we will watch one segment. The Series is in Spanish with English subtitles. [The link](#) for the Series will be on our parish website. Join us from the comfort of your own home. We usually have very good discussions after each showing.



### ***Why Christianity?***

Do you have tough questions about the Christian faith, or have you been asked tough questions about your faith? [Consider attending this series of talks](#) where we will explore issues such as the existence of God, the historicity of Jesus, and other related topics. Each session will be on Monday evenings, every other week and is structured around a talk, small-group discussions, Q&A and a bit of socializing. This series is open to everyone. If you've been having questions about the Christian faith or just want to know more, then this series is the perfect venue to ask questions and discuss with like-minded people. Talks will be given by **Luis Dizon**, our **Lay Pastoral Associate**. **The in-person talks will begin at 7:00 pm, and will also be recorded for those not able to attend in person.** The next talk will be on **Monday, April 18 at 7:00 pm in St. Aidan's Parish Hall**. The topic is: **Did Jesus Rise from the Dead?**



St. Vincent de Paul

### ***Society of St. Vincent de Paul***

*"Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others"*  
**- Philippians 24**

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## 2022 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Saturday, April 9 - Palm Sunday

5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, April 10

9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

### Monday, April 11

9:00 am Mass

### Tuesday, April 12

9:00 am Mass

### Wednesday, April 13

7:30 pm Mass

### Thursday, April 14 - Holy Thursday

**NO MORNING MASS**

7:30 pm Mass of the Last Supper & Adoration until 12:00 Midnight

### Friday, April 15 - Good Friday

1:00 pm - Good Friday Service

3:00 pm - Good Friday Service

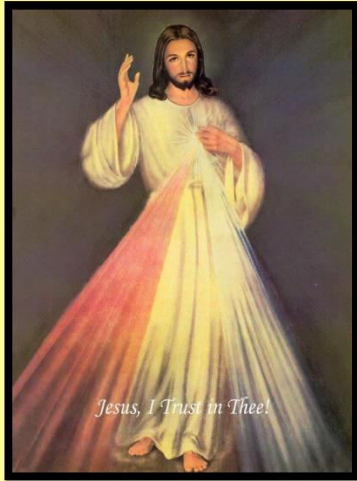
### Saturday, April 16 - Holy Saturday

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

### Sunday, April 17 - Easter Sunday

9:00 am, 10:30 & 12:00 noon

## DIVINE MERCY NOVENA SCHEDULE



The Novena Service to the  
Divine Mercy will begin on  
**GOOD FRIDAY**

The Schedule is as follows:

GOOD FRIDAY	AFTER 1:00PM & 3:00PM SERVICE
HOLY SATURDAY	7:30 PM (Before Easter Vigil)
EASTER SUNDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
MONDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
TUESDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM (BEFORE 7:30 PM MASS)
THURSDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
FRIDAY	AFTER 9:30AM MASS & 7:00 PM
SATURDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS

**THE FEASTDAY WILL BE CELEBRATED ON  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY WITH HOLY HOUR  
AT 3:00PM WITH SINGING OF THE DIVINE  
MERCY CHAPLET AND BENEDICTION**

*(Please try and attend everyday)*

### ***Divine Mercy Novena***

Will begin on Good Friday, April 15, and conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday April 24 with a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm. [Please see the schedule of the Divine Mercy Novena Prayers.](#)

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## Fraternal Benefit and Recruitment On-Line Event

**SAVE THE DATE IN YOUR CALENDAR**

**Friday, April 22, 2022  
7:45 pm**

Come join us and invite your family and friends to attend this very informative on-line virtual presentation outlining everything about the Knights of Columbus. Join me along with brother Colin Oldman (lawyer) and get up to date information on Wills and Power of Attorney issues.

**Contact Stephen Dugal to receive the link for this on-line virtual presentation**

**[Contact me Here](#) at [stephen.dugal@kofc.org](mailto:stephen.dugal@kofc.org)**

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