

# 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 9:30 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

Fourth Sunday of each month.

Please call the Rectory well in advance for general instruction.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:55 pm and 20 minutes  
before every Mass, except Friday evening.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married must 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.

## LIVE-STREAMING

Sunday 10:30 am Mass.

Can be requested for funerals, weddings, and special events for \$200.

## BULLETIN

Notices must be handed in by Tuesday morning.

## 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 advertisers at back of bulletin  
or call 416-733-8544.

## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Steven Szakaczki - *Pastor*

Peter Lee - *Deacon*

Luis Dizon - *Lay Pastoral Associate*

Rose Ylagan - *Secretary*

Keith Brako - *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 7:15 pm  
(before the 7:30 pm Ad Orientem Mass).

## MINISTRIES

Altar - Marie Saldanha - 416-491-9876

Altar Servers - Brenda Fernandes - 647-352-2756

Baptism - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704

Bible Study - Maurino Alphonso - 416-564-6471

Children's Program - Phillip Francis - 416-754-8417

Counters - Gwen Faustin - 647-300-9551

Eucharistic Ministers - Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707

Faith Sharing Group - Maurino Alphonso - 416-564-6471

First Holy Communion/Confirmation - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704

Hospitality - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016

Lectors - Sandra Lloret - 416-878-3012

Marriage Preparation - Wilfred/Aggie Gomez - 416-292-5707

Procession Coordinator - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016

R.C.I.A. (Converts) - Fr. Steven Szakaczki - 416-494-2704

ShareLife/The Shepherds' Trust - Artimizia Tellis - 416-491-3937

Social Committee - George Fernandes - 416-493-0016

Twelve Noon Choir - Franz Braganza - 647-273-0495

Volunteers' Screening - Bettina Geniza - 416-495-0701

Youth Ministry - Luis Dizon - 647-862-6717

## SOCIETY LEADERS

Catholic Women's League - Artimizia Tellis - 416-491-3937

Knights of Columbus - Aris Dometita, GK - 647-961-2449

Legion of Mary - Marie J. Wo Kai Sang - 647-248-1762

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Gwen Faustin - 647-300-9551

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

***We invite you to become involved in our Parish Ministries.***

(NOTE: CLICKABLE LINKS provided in the online bulletin graphics.)

**St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**April 16, 2023**

**Saturday April 15:**

**5:00 pm** In Honour of the Divine Mercy

In Thanksgiving of Jummy Loong

+ Trevor De Silva

+ Joseph & Jane Tan

+ Philomena Joseph

+ Noel Geniza

+ Luka Heystek

+ N.K. Lim

All Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday April 16:**

**9:00 am** + Leah Fernandes

**10:30 am** + Guillerma Rabena

**12:00 pm** Pro - Populo

**Monday April 17:**

**9:00 am** Steve Achong

**Tuesday April 18:**

**9:00 am** James Brannum

**7:30 pm** In Honour of St. Anthony

**Wednesday April 19:**

**7:30 pm** In Thanksgiving of Arulnasan Family

Michael Deva Emmanuel

In Thanksgiving

+ Romy D'mello

Victims of War

**Thursday April 20:**

**9:00 am** + Jose Tadatada

**Friday April 21:**

**9:30 am** Celebrant's Intention

**7:30 pm** + William Lewis

**Saturday April 22:**

**9:00 am** Celebrant's Intention



**A new way to donate online to St. Aidan's for our parishioners and visitors who regularly attend our Masses to donate to our parish.**  
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### ***Vocation Seeds***

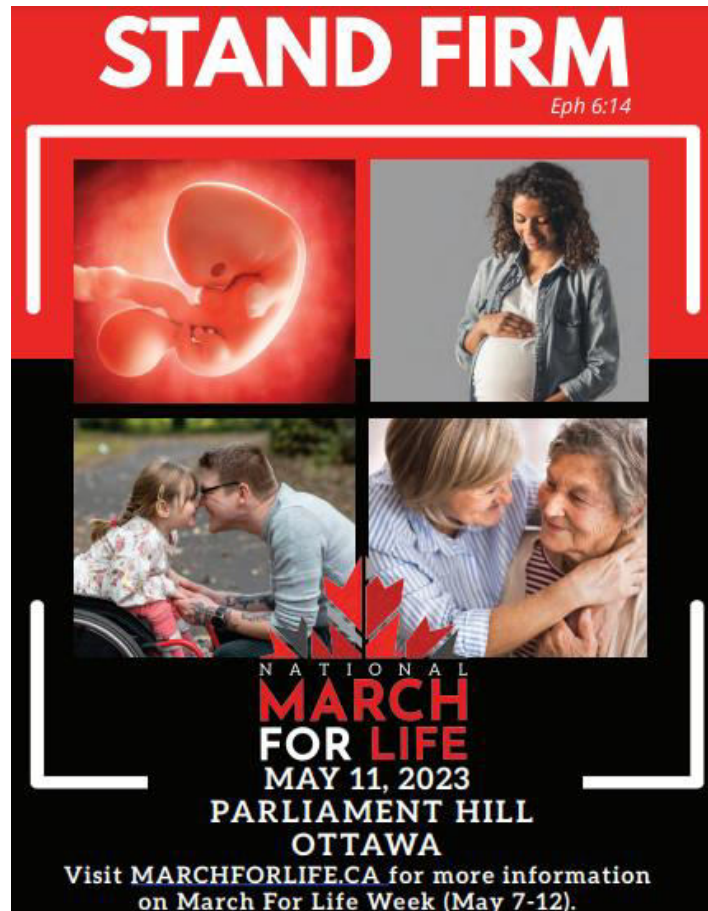
***“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”*** Will you respond to God’s call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997.**

**Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/>**



### **Coins for Life can be dropped off in the Gift Shop**

Thank you for your generosity for God’s preborn babies in the womb! Every coin makes a difference and helps **Campaign Life Coalition (CLC)** to run the annual **National March for Life** in Ottawa. More than ever faced with such a strong ‘culture of death’ movement in our country, we must defend life from conception to natural death. Please keep the pro-life movement in your prayers and join us in Ottawa for the March for Life on May 11th if you can.



### *Ottawa March for Life*

The St. Aidan's Knights of Columbus are organizing a trip to Ottawa on **Thursday May 11**, for the **26th Annual March for Life**. We depart at **6:30 am** to **Parliament Hill**, and return by **9:00 pm**. Fr. Steven will celebrate Mass at 6:00 am and will accompany us to Ottawa. **The cost is \$55.00 per person**. Please see one of the Knights of Columbus in the foyer to register.



### *Question and Answer Session*

Our Lay Pastoral Associates and Fr. Steven will again conduct a question-and-answer session on **Saturday May 6, right after the 5:00 pm Mass**. You can place your anonymous questions into the box at the center of the main aisle in the church. We will try to end the session after an hour and a half. Light refreshments will be available.



### ***Divine Mercy Sunday***

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy, which reminds us of God's tremendous love for us. **This Sunday we will have a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm** with the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet as well as Benediction. There will be a reception in the parish hall, following the Holy Hour. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



### ***Marriage Preparation Program at St. Aidan's***

The **2023 St. Aidan's [Marriage Preparation Program](#)** will commence on **September 30, 2023**. Please note this program is held once a year, hence, couples planning to marry by December 2024 can register for it. For more information, **kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707**.



**Fundraiser Easter Baskets Raffle**



- Raffle: 1 Ticket: \$5.00 or 3 tickets for \$10.00
- Draw after 12:00 noon mass on Sunday April 16, 2023
- Winner will be notified by Phone
- Purchase your ticket/s in the Foyer with the CWL members after all weekend masses or call for your tickets

Should you have any questions please contact:

Artimizia Tellis: 416-491-3937, Patricia Lobo: 416-895-4621  
Gwen Faustin: 647-300-9551, May Ticsay: 416-854-5193

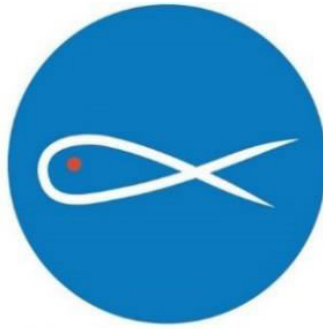
**CATHOLIC and LIVING IT!**

**THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA FOR GOD AND CANADA**

**GWL ST. AIDAN COUNCIL 20TH ANNIVERSARY 2003-2023**

**Raffle of Easter Basket**

The draw will take place after the 12 noon Mass this Sunday April 16th. Thank you to everyone who participated.



St. Vincent de Paul

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

***John 15:5*** *I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit because apart from me you can do nothing.*

***“All Glory to God”***. It is an empathetic confession of our nothingness. He, Jesus, is everything. We, without him, are worth nothing: Nothing.

Our vainglory would be just that: vainglory; it would be sacrilegious theft; the “I” should not appear anywhere.

*Without me you can do nothing, our Lord has told us. And he has said it so that you and I won’t credit ourselves with successes that are his. Josemaria Escriva - The Way*

**[Click here to view the 2023 St. Vincent de Paul Newsletter](#)**

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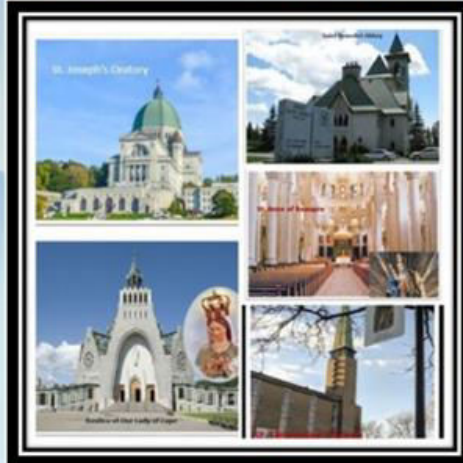
***Pilgrimage to four National Shrines in Pennsylvania, USA***

This is organized by St Aidan **[Knights of Columbus](#)** from **August 5-8**. Two of the shrines were elevated to Minor Basilica status - Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in January this year by Pope Francis, and St. Ann Basilica by St. John Paul II in October 1979. **For more information, please see the poster in the foyer or call Romualdo Pereira 416-609-8658; Aris Dometita-416-961-2449; Wilfred Gomez 416-388-0478.**



The Catholic Women's League of Canada - St. Aidan Council  
**JOURNEY WITH US TO THE MIRACULOUS &  
HISTORICAL SHRINES OF QUEBEC**

Under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Steven Szakaczki  
Saturday, July 1 - Tuesday, July 4, 2023



- ST. JOSEPH ORATORY
- ST PEREGRINE SHRINE - PATRON SAINT OF CANCER
- SAINT BENEDICT ABBEY
- BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF CAPE
- SHRINE OF SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BEAUPRÉ

**Room Rate**

- Single - \$585 per person
- Double - 2 separate beds \$510.00 pp  
1 Queen size bed - \$490 pp
- Triple - \$465 pp
- Quad - \$440 pp

**4-day Trip includes:**

- 3 nights accommodation
- 3 deluxe continental breakfast
- 3 dinners
- Visits to 4 Shrines & 1 Monastery

Deposit of \$100.00 per person (non-refundable): April 30th

Payment balance: May 28, 2023

Cheque payable to: CWL St. Aidan Council

**Cancellation - if you cancel, you must find a replacement to receive a full refund**

**Contact:**

Gwyneth Faustin: 647 300 9551

Naomi Patterson: 647 380 4942

Rose Ylagan: 416 494 1793

COME BE REFRESHED & EXPERIENCE THE JOY & PEACE OF GOD IN CREATION

CWL St. Aidan Council 20th Anniversary 2003-2023

**CATHOLIC**  
and **LIVING IT!**

***Pilgrimage to the National Shrines of Quebec***

The CWL of our parish are organizing this pilgrimage to take place on **Saturday, July 1 to Tuesday, July 4**. Come and experience a spiritual renewal with daily Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy meditation, Adoration, and outdoor Stations of the Cross at the Miraculous & Historical Shrines: St. Joseph Oratory/ St Peregrine/ Our Lady of the Cape/ St. Anne de Beaupre/ Benedictine Abbey, Sherbrook. **For Reservation Please Contact: Gwyneth Faustin 647-300-9551; Naomi Patterson 647-380-4942; Rose Ylagan 416-494-1793.**





### ***Beggars Outside the Church***

Please do not give money to beggars outside the Church. There are many charitable agencies where they can get help for whatever they need. They usually give you a sad story to make you feel sorry for them. We can help them without giving them money. Say a prayer for them or direct them to the St. Vincent de Paul Society but don't give them any money. In addition to using food banks, they should be encouraged to get a job. If people give them money they will continue to target churches and they are also more likely to become more demanding, and dependent on begging as an additional source of income to what the government is already providing them.



### ***Movie Night***

Thanks to the efforts of our CWL and Knights of Columbus our next Movie Night will be on **Saturday April 29, right after the 5:00 pm Mass, starting at 6:15 pm.** We will be showing **Episode 7 and 8 of Season 3** of **The Chosen** series. Even if you have not seen previous episodes you will love these episodes which do an amazing job in depicting the life of Jesus and His disciples. We will have a group discussion after each episode. Each episode is about an hour long. The Movie Nights are free. We will have pizza and popcorn with water available for \$5. If you know you will be attending, please register in advance at our Gift Shop so they know how much pizza to order.



### ***St. Anthony's Thirteen Tuesdays Novena Masses***

This Novena of Masses and prayers is intended to honour St. Anthony of Padua and to invoke his powerful intercession for your specific intentions. The Novena will continue every **Tuesday, with Mass at 7:30 pm** followed by Novena Prayers, Benediction and distribution of blessed bread. **The Novena will end with the Feast of St. Anthony on June 13.** Take advantage of these prayerful opportunities even if you can't make very Tuesday evening.



### ***Youth Fellowship***

Our next youth fellowship will be on the 3rd Friday of the month, April 21, at 6 PM in the KofC meeting room. We will be continuing our Bible study on the book of Genesis, and there will be snacks and board games after. Please bring a Bible if you can.

**[For more information](#), contact Luis Dizon at 647-862-6717 or [luis.dizon@mail.utoronto.ca](mailto:luis.dizon@mail.utoronto.ca).**



# Missal Reflections

Reflections on Weekly Missal Readings by J. Luis Dizon

***April 16, 2023 - All Things in Common (Second Sunday of Easter) - By J. Luis Dizon***

***[Click here for this Sunday's Reading](#)***

The life of the early Church was a life of love. In our reading, we see how the early Christians cared for the less fortunate in their midst. Most of these early converts were among the poor and destitute, and very few of them had means. Thus, the wealthier believers put their resources at the disposal of the church, to provide for those in need.

Thus, we read that the early Christians *“had all things in common”* (v. 44). This should not be taken to mean they had no private property. They still owned property (**Acts 5:4, cf. CCC 2401-2403**). Furthermore, those who gave were encouraged to do so willingly, not out of compulsion (2 Corinthians 9:7), and those who received were encouraged to strive to be dependent on no one (**1 Thessalonians 4:10-12**).

This care for the welfare of others is the basis of the Church's teaching on the “Universal Destination of Goods.” As the *Catechism* puts it, “Christian life strives to order this world’s goods to God and to fraternal charity.” It further states that, “The universal destination of goods remains primordial, even if the promotion of the common good requires respect for the right to private property and its exercise” (**CCC 2402, 2403**). St. John Chrysostom put it aptly in one of his homilies wherein he said, “not to share our own riches with the poor is a robbery of the poor, and a depriving them of their livelihood; and that which we possess is not only our own, but also theirs.”

The end result of this fraternal charity is that, *“day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved”* (v. 47). Outsiders saw the love the early Christians had for each other and were inspired to convert. Nevertheless, it wasn't the Christians who converted them, but God, who opened their hearts to accept the Gospel. Our role as Christians is to demonstrate love to one another, and to pray that God will use our example to inspire others to conversion.



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