

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation Seeds

“For what will it profit anyone to gain the whole world but forfeit their life?” Isn’t there more to life than chasing the dollar? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997.

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ShareLife

Thank you very much for supporting our parish’s ShareLife campaign. Thus far we have raised \$48,614 toward our goal of \$58,600.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate

Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo

On the Solemnity of St. Michael, on Friday September 29th at 5:30 pm, at St. Michael’s Cathedral, Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass and the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovic will confer the pallium on our archbishop, as a symbol of his role as metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Bingo and BBQ

The Social Committee of St. Aidan’s invites you to a fun evening of Bingo and BBQ in our parish hall on Saturday September 23, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The cost is \$20 and you will have numerous options for your BBQ dinner, which will be cooked on site. Please contact George at 416 493 0016 or Adrian at 647 523 4751. Tickets will be available in the foyer of the church after all weekend Masses.

How to Start a Catholic Moms Group

Register now for this in-person Live Workshop which will take place on September 23, 10:00am to 2:00pm at St. Gregory’s Catholic Church, 122 Rathburn Road. This is an opportunity for busy moms to build healthy supportive relationships with likeminded moms. Register at www.CatholicMomsGroup.com/workshop/

If you have questions, contact: 416-907-1042. Also visit the YouTube channel for free webinars <https://www.youtube.com/@middaymoms8882/videos>

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday September 2:

5:00 pm Rita Benedict
+Christopher Fernandes
+Carina Cano
+Anna Kutty Varkey
+Marina Moss
+Chunzhe (John) Ding & Tiefu (Maria) Li
+Dr. Kenny Chan
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday September 3:

9:00 am In Thanksgivng Ferrao Family

10:30 am +Francis M. Ferrao

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday September 4:

9:00 am +Sit Kee Chin

Tuesday September 5:

9:00 am Deceased Members of Coutinho, Pereira
and Valladares Families

Wednesday September 6:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Timothy Vasquez
Justin Lim & Family
Epefania Ng Lee
+Lloyd & Mary Sullivan
+Dolores Marquez-Enriquez
Souls in Purgatory

Thursday September 7:

9:00 am +Neville Pereira

Friday September 8:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm Pearl Radcliffe & Family

Saturday September 9:

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intention

Bundle Up Collection: Spring Cleaning –Year Round!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes and linens to support our neighbours in need, the weekend of September 9 and 10. Please bring your donation and help others in your community. Thank you!

September 3, 2023

Inviting all book enthusiasts to join

The St. Aidan Book Club

We are having our first meeting on September 30, at 6:30 pm at St. Aidan's to discuss the, "How to Read a Book by Mortimer Adler. Many may say, "But I already know how to read a book!" However, here are a few questions to consider why it is a good book for the book club to start with. Do you want to understand books, and remember more of what you read? Do you want to better understand the author's goal and be a better critic of what you have read? Come join the St. Aidan book club! To register, contact Rosario Dizon at 416 731 0484.

Spiritus East young Adult Ministry (Ages 19-35) "BBQ Social Kick-Off"

We are back and are beyond excited to see you on **September 13th, at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish(432 Sheppard Ave. E) at 7pm** for our annual BBQ Social Kick-Off! Join us for an amazing night filled with fun, fellowship, and incredible food! We will end off the night with s'mores! Bring your friends and see you there! Please register via Eventbrite so we can get an accurate headcount for food! For more information or to get involved please contact Samantha Goh, Eastern Region Young Adult Minister, at spirituseast@gmail.com or 416 599 7676

Young Catholic Girls

The Federation of North-American Explorers (FNE) is a Catholic youth movement with a mission to help all members grow in virtue and goodness. Their website states, "our mission is a bold one: to help all our members become everyday saints and through them to bring God's joy and peace to the families and communities of North America. We do this through camping, playing, cooking, the outdoors, helping others along with a deep sense of brotherhood or sisterhood." The Timberwolves are just one part of FNE and they are comprised of girls ages 8 to 12. They meet twice a month here at St. Aidan's. Many parents are on a waiting list to have their daughters join this group. Since the Timberwolves meet at St. Aidan's, a few spots have been reserved for St. Aidan parishioners. Please visit <https://fneexplorers.com> for more information and email singumtws@gmail.com if your daughter is interested in joining this organization.

Birth of Mary

Friday September 8 we celebrate the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Living Rosary will take place at 6:00pm. Light refreshments will be provided by the Legion of Mary after the 7:30pm Mass in the parish hall. All are invited.

Talking in Church

Catholic churches have always been sacred spaces where reverence for the true presence of God in the Eucharist is manifested in various ways. People would genuflect towards the Tabernacle upon entering and exiting the church or entering and exiting their pews. It is to be understood that because God is truly present in the Tabernacle, being in church is the ideal time to pray, to converse with God. Silence within church facilitates being able to pray and to focus on God's presence. Experiencing this silence is extremely beneficial for us. People chatting or noise in general can prevent us from having interior peace, making it harder for us to focus, to pray. Health professionals speak of noise pollution and its detrimental effects. The opposite can also be true; those who are not right with God, who lack inner peace do not like silence. They may not want to be reminded of their conscience. Such people will want to surround themselves with noise, distractions, or to engage in conversation when they should not. Many spiritual authors have pointed out that we can only hear God in silence. In Scripture we see Jesus seeking out places of solitude to pray to His Heavenly Father. In 1 Kings 19, Elijah does not perceive God in the fire and earthquake that precedes His coming but rather in "a still small voice". In 2016 Robert Cardinal Sarah published his book, "The Power of Silence: Against the Dictatorship of Noise." He quotes many previous authors regarding the importance and even the necessity of silence. Silence benefits our relationship not just with God but also with others. Cardinal Sarah states, "Without the capacity for silence, man is incapable of hearing, loving, and understanding the people around him. Charity is born of silence." It is only in silence that we find and truly commune with God. Please maintain a respectable silence within church at all times.

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To serve the poor is to serve God. You must see God in the faces of the poor. - St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your ongoing love and generosity towards the poor. Your donations to the Poor Box go a long way to help many poor and unfortunate families