

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Vocation Seeds

If you need examples of persons responding to God's call, look at Abraham and Sarah - called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God's call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997

email: vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

ShareLife

Show your love through ShareLife

ShareLife Sunday is March 17. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$63,200.00

Through your kindness, over 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. No one is turned away due to inability to pay. This is possible through your support. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website or at sharelife.org/donate.

50/50 Draw

The Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus Charities. You can purchase ten tickets for \$10, forty tickets for \$20, a hundred and twenty-five tickets for \$50, and three hundred tickets for \$100. The Grand Prize draw will take place on April 28, and right now the total is over \$18,390. Please speak to the Knights in the foyer of the church after Sunday Mass.

This Sunday's Gospel Reflection

Our Lord was transfigured before the eyes of three of His Apostles. Dazzling white light shone from Him. Christ was manifesting to them something of His divine glory. This event allowed His three Apostles to be strengthened in their faith that Jesus is God. Christ gave them this special privilege because He did not want them to lose faith when He would be arrested, tortured and killed. Christ has given us the gift of faith, and perhaps other privileges also. No matter what may happen to the Church or to us as Catholics, may we never lose faith.

Offertory Income Tax Receipts for 2023 are Ready

Please come to the gift shop after any of the Sunday Masses to pick up your income tax receipt.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 24:

5:00 pm 25th Wedding Anniversary of Angela and Peter Huang
Birthday Blessings for Aurora Buensuceso Liza Lanoy
+Jovita & John De Souza
+Myrna Abejar
+Neville Pereira
+Clara & Charlaine Pereira

Sunday February 25:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ambrosio Family

10:30 am +Robert D'Andrea

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday February 26:

9:00 am +In Thanksgiving of Ylagan Family

Tuesday February 27:

9:00 am +Paul Kar Chu Leung

Wednesday February 28:

7:30 pm Living and Deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Nuns and Religious
+Maria Romeo
+Angelo Nicholas

Thursday February 29:

9:00 am Ronald Cruz

Friday March 1:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Edilberto Contreras Acon

Saturday Mar 2:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

Stations of the Cross During Lent

One great way to deepen our spiritual life during Lent is praying the Stations of the Cross. Every Friday during the season of Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross after the Friday evening 7:30 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to participate.

All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle.— St. Francis of Assisi

February 25, 2024

Volunteers Needed for Parish Library

Our Parish Library opened in May 2023, and we now have 72 members and close to 400 different book and DVD titles. (Please do check a book out if you haven't already). As this ministry grows, we need more volunteers for about 20 minutes after each weekend Mass to help sign-up new members and to manage book borrowings and returns. Ideally, we'd like three volunteers per Mass with one of them scheduled on a rotating basis to volunteer each week. This will ensure we always have adequate coverage if someone is away. If you are interested, please email Patricia Lobo at staidansparishlibrary@gmail.com specifying how often you can volunteer and for which weekend Mass. Thank you.

Our Lady wants to visit your home.

St. Aidan's parish has a small replica pilgrim statue of Our lady of the Cape that parishioners can request to visit their home and have your family and friends gather to pray and obtain more of Our Lady's intercessory blessings, please contact:

Naomi Patterson 647-380-4942 or
Gwen Faustin 647-772-1319

Losing a loved one through MAID (Medical Assistance in Dying)

It is a sin to take our own lives. We are not our own; we belong to God and to everyone around us. We also believe that suffering has a redemptive role to play in our lives. Project Anna and Simeon is a retreat day for hospitality, support, reflection and sharing for those who are hurting from losing a loved one through MAID. It will take place on Saturday March 9th from 12pm to 8pm at St John the Compassionate Mission, 155 Broadview Ave., Toronto, ON. Meals will be provided.

To register contact outrach@stmarysrefuge.org. A \$100 donation is suggested. Deadline to register is February 26.

Thank You

The Knights of Columbus, St Aidan Council wish to thank Fr. Steven, members, parishioners and friends for the support they have given to make their Valentine's Dinner Dance a success.

Lenten Alms-Giving Food Drive "Go Make a Difference"

This Lenten Alms Giving Food Drive is being organized by the St. Aidan's Catholic Women's League, from Saturday, February 17th to Saturday, March 3rd in support of two Scarborough food banks. Need food items;

- Pasta, Rice, Cereal/oatmeal, Cookies/snacks, Oil
- Canned fish/tuna, fruits/beans/veggies, soups
- Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Peanut Butter
- Baby food/formula

Please deposit your food donations in the bin in the church lobby. Thank you for your generosity.

Out of the Cold

Help feed the homeless by making sandwiches and salad on March 3rd at 11:30 am to 1 pm., at St. Aidan's Meeting Room 1. See bulletin board in the foyer for the Sign Up sheet or contact Wayne Wavryk at 416 254 9464.

Coins for Life 2024

You are invited to put aside toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during this Lenten Season in order to help support and promote the Culture of Life in Canada. Please collect your container on the weekend of March 9/10 in the foyer and return with your donations on the weekend of April 6/7 which is Mercy Sunday in the gift shop. Thank you in advance for your support! This Fund raiser helps make possible the National March for Life in Ottawa, which will be on May 9.

For more information about Coins for Life Campaign Life Coalition please call 416 204 9749 or visit www.coinsforlife.org.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Tel: 647 772 1319 www.svdptoronto.org

Almsgiving is the mother of love, of that love, which is characteristic of Christianity, which is greater than all miracles by which the disciples of Christ are manifested. - Saint John Chrysostom

May God Bless you. Your kindness and generosity are making a difference.

Sayings of the Saints

Nothing great is ever achieved without enduring much. - St. Catherine of Siena

The passion of Jesus is a sea of sorrows, but it is also an ocean of love. - St. Paul of the Cross