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Mon. to Fri. 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
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September 22nd, 2019

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I love my Catholic Moms Group

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With the busyness of everyday life is it hard to remember that Motherhood is a sacred vocation? Would you like to have some fellowship with other Mother's in the parish? Would you like to develop your faith and encourage your family to strengthen their faith? Then join us for coffee, tea and cake to celebrate Mary's Birthday – a blessed event to launch our first Mothers Group! The next meeting will be **Tuesday, September 24, 2019 from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm** in The Our Lady of Lourdes Hall.

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 7:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.
& 3:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Devotions Rosary half an hour
before weekday Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.
& by appointment

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Parish Schools

St. Mary905-451-1020
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St. Kevin905-450-0571
Bishop Francis Allen ... 905-457-4677
Cardinal Leger S.S.905-453-2232

Baptisms Please contact the parish office.

Marriages Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

Adults interested in becoming Catholic who have not been baptized or wish to be received into the Catholic Church participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If interested, please contact the parish office.

Vocations Director Fr. Chris Lemieux 416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

*Mass Intentions
For the Week of
~ September 22nd ~*



Monday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Fernando & Casimera Lagman †

Tuesday, September 24

Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Georgiana & Marie Ann Bernard †
- Marian Donawa †

Wednesday, September 25

Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Special Intentions for:

- Maikel & Iskandra Michriky
- Victor Ientilucci †
- Theresa Orr †
- Maria Donata & Giuseppe Greco †
- Maria Alphonsus Akpan Umoafia †
- Angelo Tinella †

Thursday, September 26

St. John de Brebeuf

St. Isaac Joques & Companians

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Leonard & Loretta Caughlin †

Friday, September 27

St. Vincent de Paul

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Carmen & Ben Panlaqui †

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. - Mass

- Guilherme & Idalina Galvao †

Saturday, September 28

Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Special Intentions for:

- Adolfo Pastor
- Miguel Tarazona Guinetti †
- Edwin D'Souza †

**Devotion to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
after the morning Mass**

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
A past Governor of the State of New York, Mario M. Cuomo, speaking about politicians and their faith, once said:

"It's always been safer not to talk about religious beliefs, because religious beliefs are so personal that they tend to antagonize."

This seems to be true even in today's political climate in Canada.

The noble vocation of entering into the political arena is not for the meek and mild. Politics is tough and one needs to have a tough skin to enter into it.

For a person to be an elected representative in parliament, he/she requires the necessary votes from the constituency population they wish to represent. Acquiring the necessary 'votes' is often the main focus of politicians – the kissing of babies and attending BBQ's are all part of the play book. But less and less is the importance of a politician introducing themselves in who they are and what forms their moral and ethical groundings that will influence their voice in parliament. Sadly, more and more politicians will say anything to get our vote and cover up their inner beliefs. Many politicians are willing to speak about their hard core beliefs only when it is advantageous to do so. But when a politician is pushed to speak about what he/she believes as morally right or wrong and what their personal beliefs are on such hot topics like Abortion, Euthanasia, Same Sex Marriage, etc., then the statement above by Mario M. Cuomo, must come to mind for most of them. And this is why we often hear politicians hide behind the non-statement of 'my personal beliefs are private and they will not affect the way I will govern if I am elected.' This statement is said in many different ways, but they all mean the same. It is clear that the non-statement is a way to avoid the subject, because "It's always been safer not to talk about religious beliefs..." Politicians should not be allowed to hide behind 'non-statements', because their personal beliefs can and often do have an impact on the society we live in.

Please allow me to explain how this is so.

We all have our personal thoughts on a multitude of issues that surround us as members of a society. These thoughts are formed by life experience, education, reason and faith. People have different thoughts on such issues as the minimum hourly wage, daycare subsidies, gas tax, marijuana use, Sunday shopping, environmental pursuits, abortion, euthanasia, same sex marriage, etc. These thoughts will form the way we see society and how it should be run - what rules and regulations should be implemented, what policies should be pursued, etc. We should not think that politicians are different from us. They too have their thoughts on these issues as we do. But it is the politician we elect who will have a say at the table in Ottawa with all the other representatives.

Since the person we elect will represent us we need to know who they are. We should not expect that a politician, if elected, will mirror our thoughts and beliefs. If a politician is pro-choice, pro-euthanasia, pro same sex marriage, and is elected, then those in his/her riding should not be surprised that he/she will vote for these things - even if the majority of his/her riding is pro-life, pro-palliative care and pro marriage between a man and a woman. We should not expect a politician to go against what he/she believes to be true and right. This is why we should inquire what our candidates believe in, what they hold as true for themselves, especially on the most hot-topic issues of our day. We should not accept our candidates to hide behind the catch phrases that become part of the 'non-statements' we hear. We should clearly know what they will promote and protect with their votes in Ottawa.

So I encourage you to get to know who is seeking your vote in this October's election. Find out what your candidates' views are on the many topics of importance to our society, because it is only in doing so that we can vote responsibly and with confidence. I will pause at this point and allow us to consider what has been written above. I will continue this line of thought in next week's Pastor's corner.

Blessings,
Fr. Liborio

p.s. I renew my clarification statement that what I have written and will write is not meant to lead you to vote for one candidate or one party over another - I just offer these thoughts to help you 'discern' how you will use your vote this October.

September 22nd, 2019

Flea Market - Saturday, September 28th from 9:30 am to 12 noon

On Friday September 27th after 6 pm please bring your donations of gently used clothing, purses, shoes/boots, linens, books, toys, jewellery, Christmas decorations, dishes, and any other household items, that you no longer need. Please ensure that clothing donations are clean. No electronics, furniture or large appliances. All donations are appreciated.



Youth Volunteers Needed



St. Mary's Catholic Women's League are looking for youth volunteers to help with the set up and take down of the Flea Market. Help is needed on Fri., Sep. 27th from 6 pm to 8 pm and Sat., Sep. 28th from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. Volunteer time worked will be applied to school community hours. Please call Rachel 416-994-4767.

Bundle Up Collection for St. Vincent de Paul



Next weekend, September 28th - 29th there will be a Bundle Up Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. They collect clothing, shoes, linens and small household goods. *They do not accept appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes.*

CWL News

Bazaar Worknights: Starting up again - Mondays September 23rd and 30th at 7:30 pm. Please note, all future worknights will be in the Parish Hall. Everyone welcome.

General Meeting: Wednesday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.



Knights of Columbus - Seniors' Appreciation Night



Hold the Date: The Knights of Columbus Fr. Eugene O'Reilly Council 4973 is hosting their 33rd annual Seniors' Appreciation Night on Friday, October 4th, 7:00 pm. in the St. Mary Parish Hall with an evening of free live entertainment, food and refreshments. For more info. contact Jim Caldwell 905-457-2854.

Respect for Life Committee Movie Presentation

The Respect for Life Committee would like to invite you and your family to view the movie Unplanned on Tuesday, October 1st at 10 am and 7 pm. Refreshments and popcorn will be provided. High School and Older.



40 Days for Life - September 25th to November 3rd, 2019

40 DAYS FOR LIFE. Please join with others in a peaceful daily prayer vigil asking for God's protection of all human life. From Sep 25th to Nov. 3rd the Vigil runs daily from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm for 40 days at the public right-of-way close to the Mississauga Women's Clinic, 101 Queensway. Free parking & sign in at nearby St. Catherine of Sienna parish. www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga or ightlifemb@gmail.com

Life Chain—Sunday, October 6th, 2019 from 1:30pm to 2:30pm

Life Chain is a prayerful, peaceful, powerful witness to the evil of abortion and to the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception. It is for 1 hour on 1 day of the year in cities and towns across Canada. Please join us on Sun., Oct. 6th from 1:30pm - 2:30pm as we stand together on Main St., at the Parish near the entrance, for the most vulnerable members of our society.

New Beginnings Seminar—Cancelled

Unfortunately the **New Beginnings Seminar - Healing and Grace for a Wounded and Grieving Heart** to have been held at St. Anthony of Padua Church has been cancelled.

Humanitarian Relief—Hurricane Dorian

In an effort to support those who have been most directly impacted by Hurricane Dorian, the Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting funds that will be sent through our Catholic relief partners. Contributions can be made through our parish - please make cheques payable to: St. Mary's Parish – 2019 Hurricane Dorian – Disaster Relief or the Archdiocese of Toronto online at: www.archtoronto.org, by phone: Development Office – 416-934-3411

Let us Pray

For the Sick

Fanny Aulestia
Linda Gonzales

For the Recently Deceased

Jesus Madarang

Knit One Crochet Too!

Ladies of the parish are invited to join the Knitting/Crocheting Group.

Mon., Sep. 23rd at 7 pm, & Wed., Sep. 25th at 10 am

in The Our Lady of Fatima Hall. Supplies are available for beginners.

Special Collection Next Weekend

September 28/29th

Bishops' collection for the needs of the Church in Canada www.cccb.ca
Thank you for your generous support.

Pray for Vocations

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact

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