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Rev. Patrick Ezimora C.C.E.

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Franciscus Sukardi  
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### Parish Lay Pastoral Assistant

Liz Rybka

### Parish Secretaries

Olga Calderon and Sinia Alvarado

### Church Custodian

Paul Kindree

### Office Hours

Mon. to Fri. 9:30 am - 8:00 pm

Saturday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm

**October 6th, 2019**

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Altar Servers

Collection Counters

Consolation and Hope

Extraordinary Ministers of

Holy Communion [EMHC]

Funeral Servers

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Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]

Sacramental Preparation

[Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation]

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### 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.

### ALPHA

Building and Renovations Committee

Carmelites

Catechesis of The Good Shepherd

Catholic Moms Group

Catholic Women's League [CWL]

English Prayer Group

Family Christmas Assistance

Jesus Youth

Knights of Columbus

Legion of Mary

Marian Prayer Group [Spanish]

Men's Group

Plus 55 Social Group

Refugee Committee

Respect for Life Committee

St. Padre Pio

Serra Club

Sharelife Committee

Social Committee

Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group

Teams of Our Lady [TOOL]

Volunteer Screening Committee

Women's Group

Youth Group

## The Many Ministries of St. Mary's Church

### Volunteer Ministries Fair October 5th/6th

*All are welcome to drop in to the parish hall this weekend to come and learn about the many ministries of St. Mary's Church. Volunteering is a great opportunity to enrich your life by enriching the lives of others.*

## See You at the Fair!

### Parish Schools

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St. Francis Xavier .....905-459-0646

St. Kevin .....905-450-0571

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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](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## Mass Intentions For the Week of ~ October 6th ~



### Monday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Emilio & Marina  
Lagman †

### Tuesday, October 8 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Vittoria Carraro †  
• Maria & Cirillo Carraro †

### Wednesday, October 9 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Shiela Otway †  
• Kris Emmanuel  
Salandanan †

### Thursday, October 10 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Cecilia Barros  
Dicdiquin †

### Friday, October 11 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
• Mary Jo DaSilva †  
6:00 p.m. Holy Hour  
7:00 p.m. - Mass  
• Eva Bruney †

### Saturday, October 12 Ferial

9:00 a.m. - Mass  
Special Intentions for:  
• Joaquim & Angela  
Braganza  
• Nan Brooker †

**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,

Allow me to continue my thoughts from last week's pastor's corner.

Last week I left you with a quote from John J. Cardinal O'Conner, a past Archbishop of New York, who said that he did not **"see how a Catholic in good conscience can vote for a candidate who explicitly supports abortion."** I would like to reflect on this statement and unpack what it might mean for us and our upcoming vote. I will use as my reflection the example that was told to me by a friend to shed light on the quote above – I have taken the liberty to expound on what my friend said.

Imagine if you will, the scenario where you have been in a coma for 25 years. As you awaken from the coma you realize that much has changed in society – and one of these changes is that 'Slavery' is now the law of the land. Confused as to how this could possibly have come about, you ask someone the history of this law of Slavery. You are told the following: 25 years ago society was dead-set against Slavery – it was unthinkable even to raise it as a possibility for limited and unique situations. But slowly the consensus of people was to allow it to exist. Slavery was first allowed as a 'personal choice' - those who needed money to pay off huge debts would be able to sell themselves for a period of time, to work off the debt. People were ok with this law, because it was a free choice that people were making after all. Then this law of Slavery expanded to include prisoners. Those who were imprisoned were given the option of slavery instead of remaining in jail for the rest of their lives. Soon the prisoners were no longer asked, but forced into slavery. People were content with this developing Law of Slavery, because prisoners were criminals after all and they did not deserve to be 'free' to decide what their fate should be. Finally, slavery was extended to the poor and the handicapped – these people were seen as mooching off societies resources and were not giving back as productive members of society.

As you leave the hospital, confused and shocked that Slavery could actually have become the law of the land, you notice lawn signs signifying a general election is underway. As you turn on your T.V. you hear that there are political voices that are supporting the expansion of the Slavery law to now include children who have become orphans.

It is here that you take your stand. Now is the time to have reason once again to prevail. You search out the four candidates who are running in your riding and ask them where they stand on 'Slavery'.

The first candidate tells you that he is totally in favour of the expansion of the Slavery law and even has other suggestions to expand it further to those who are mentally ill.

The second candidate says that although she personally disagrees with Slavery, yet she will continue to follow the will of the people and vote accordingly.

After hearing your objections to Slavery in all cases, the third candidate sympathizes with you and makes it clear that he is a good 'Catholic' and was even an altar server when he was young. He understands the Church's teachings on Slavery, but he believes that people have the right and freedom to choose how society will be formed – although he is against Slavery personally, he will not change the law that people want.

The final candidate explains that although she is personally against Slavery, her party affiliation is for it. She is not free to be anti-slavery and at the same time a member of her party. She is saddened by the lack of political freedom she has, but feels that she can still promote other important initiatives that affect society as your representative.

If you were this person who came out of a coma and found yourself in this scenario, what would you do with your vote? All four candidates would not change the Law of Slavery. Now comes the big decision. What would you do with your vote?

May I suggest that the dilemma of whom to vote for above is the same dilemma (and I dare say even greater) that many of us have when one or all of our candidates respond in similar fashions to such critical issues effecting society as Abortion, Euthanasia and Same Sex Marriage.

I wonder if, in our futuristic scenario of the existence of a Slavery Law, John J. Cardinal O'Conner's would permit us to alter his quote above so that it would read that he did not **see how a Catholic in good conscience can vote for a candidate who explicitly supports slavery** – I think he would approve of this slight change as remaining consistent to his original intent.

At this point I ask that we ponder what has been written above. I will now bring this pastor's corner to a close and pick it up next week.

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 21st.



October 6th, 2019

## Youth Group Kick-Off Night!



**Friday October 18th from 7- 9pm** For youths from grade 7 to grade 12! Come check us out at the upcoming Ministry Fair for more information! Looking for adults who would like to stay young by helping out with this fun, exciting and faith-filled ministry! God bless.

## Catholic Moms Group - October Meetings

Please join us to talk about prayer with in the family in hopes to strengthen the family bond. **Mornings:** October 8 from 10 am to 11 am.

**Evenings:** October 22, from 7 pm to 8 pm. For more information please email: [bramptonstmaryscmg@catholicmomsgroup.com](mailto:bramptonstmaryscmg@catholicmomsgroup.com)



## Our Flea Market was a Huge Success!

We would like to thank all the volunteers (including the youth, spouses, and parishioners) who helped with the set up and clean up. A special thank you to all the volunteers who worked the tables. Thank you to all who supported the Catholic Women's League with your donations and purchases. We could not have done it without you!

## CWL News

**Bazaar Worknights:** Mondays October 7th, 21st and 28th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone welcome.

**Executive Meeting:** Wednesday October 16th at 7:00 pm Parish Hall.

**National Family Week:** The CWL would like to promote National Family Week October 7 to 13. Helpful resources can be found at [www.familiescanada.ca/article/national-family-week](http://www.familiescanada.ca/article/national-family-week).



## Celebrate Your Marriage with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. Upcoming Weekend: October 25-27, 2019 - Four Points Sheraton, Mississauga. More info. & application, visit: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com) or (905) 792-1925.

## Rosary Coast to Coast Canada — Sunday, October 13th, 2019

Rosary Coast to Coast Canada Sunday, October 13th, 2019. On this Anniversary day of Our Lady of Fatima's final apparition, St Mary's Parishioners are inviting all our brothers and sisters in Christ to join us in prayer on Sunday October 13th. We ask people to gather at 1:50pm, so that our prayer may begin at 2PM. We will be praying the Sorrowful Mysteries for our country Canada and our Holy Church plus any private intentions that other's may have in their hearts. Location: On Main Street outside the Municipal buildings, across from John St. Parking is available in downtown Brampton free of charge. All are welcome to join us in this call to prayer. More information about the event can be found on this website <https://rosarycoasttocoast.ca/>



## Thanksgiving Flowers to Decorate Our Church

This Thanksgiving season, we are asking our parishioners to help in our Thanksgiving decorations by offering to bring potted flowers or big pumpkins (only 2 required) for the Church. If you wish to dedicate your flowers for someone who has passed away, please put the name in the pot. Please drop off your potted flowers from Saturday Oct 5th to Friday Oct 11th in the Pope John Paul II Room (next to the parish office) Thank you for your generosity - The Liturgical Decoration Committee



## Let us Pray

### For the Sick

Austin Gibbson  
Lida Gonzales  
Benjamin Pham  
Aldina Oliveira

### For the Recently Deceased

Dorothy Brown  
Dorothy Corrigan



## Pray for Vocations

"Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact

**Fr. Chris Lemieux,**  
Vocation Director,  
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416-968-0997

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

### St. Mary's Parish October 19th

St. Mary's Parish, Would like to invite you to join us in a peaceful daily prayer vigil asking for God's protection of all human life. Choose one hour between 7:00am and 7:00pm on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/mississauga/](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/mississauga/) for location and sign up.

## Thank You for your Offering

September 29th, 2019

### Regular Collection

\$11,249.81

### Bishop's Collection

\$3,424.30


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Monday, October 7th

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