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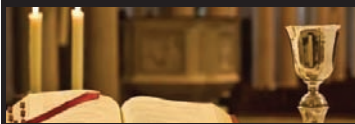
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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*

Mass Intentions For the Week of ~ October 13th ~



Monday, October 14 *Ferial*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Vittorio Franchi †

Tuesday, October 15 *St. Teresa of Jesus*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Carlos Rebelo †

Wednesday, October 16 *St. Marie-Marguerite d'Youville*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
Special Intentions for:
• Brandon & Megan Butt
• Jessica Healy and Family
• The Burt Family
• The Lowe Family
• Eddie & Rochelle Susa & Family
• Janeza Mikaela Lopez
• Connor & Susan Healy & Family
• Catherine Healy
• Avelina Mangabang †
• Aida Fernandez †
• William Farquhar †
• Matias & Patricia Hervias †

Thursday, October 17 *St. Ignatius of Antioch*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
Special Intentions for:
• Ivana Kunkel

Friday, October 18 *St. Luke*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
Special Intentions for:
• Kurt Hancock
6:00 p.m. Holy Hour
7:00 p.m. - Mass
• Feliciano Ursula Sunglao †

Saturday, October 19 *Ferial*

9:00 a.m. - Mass
• Helenita Martinez †
• Angelo Cavallo †
• Angelo Tinella †
• Maria & Joseph Azzopardi †
• Francisco Mepana †
**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 where I presented a futuristic scenario where Slavery was the accepted Law of the Land. As you recall from my scenario, the four candidates who were seeking your vote, were in some degree in favour of Slavery to exist as the Law of the Land. When we are confronted with the reality that all the candidates in our riding are against what we hold most sacred and dear, such as Abortion, Euthanasia and Same Sex Marriage, we seek the Wisdom of Solomon to provide us with some direction as to how we are to vote.

As voters there are ways that people choose to make their voices heard in an election:

1. A person can enter the voting booth and hopefully after much reflection and discernment mark his/her "X" after the name of the candidate one chooses to represent their voice in parliament.
2. A person can enter the voting booth and after discerning that no candidate in his/her riding is worthy of their vote, they can return their ballots back unmarked. This is currently the only means for voters in a Federal Election to make a protest heard – this type of vote is lumped together with other ballots that are spoiled due to other circumstances (i.e. ballots that are marked incorrectly, defaced or destroyed).

- In Ontario a voter has the right to Decline a ballot when entering the voting location and the declined vote is registered as such.
❖ 'Declining a ballot is different than spoiling a ballot, although the intentions may be the same.'

3. On Election Day, a person can decide to stay home and not vote.

The first two options seem to me to be legitimate ways of engaging in the electoral process (although at this time a person's declined ballot is not registered as such). But I think most of us would agree that the last response to stay home should not be the answer. We should remember that when we are inquiring about the candidates in our riding and their stance on the issues, often there are candidates seeking our votes beyond the traditional parties we have come to know. All candidates should deserve our attention and scrutiny.

In my futuristic scenario I know that it would be very difficult for me to vote for a candidate who was in some way (fully or partially) favorable to a Law of Slavery. Unless I was given the assurance that a candidate would try his/her best to reduce and ultimately seek the end of the Slavery, I would be hard pressed to give my vote to that candidate. If my dilemma was difficult in the case of a law of Slavery, then how much more would my dilemma be with the real life issue of Abortion, Euthanasia and Same Sex Marriage. I have shared with you my personal views above, not to sway you to vote one way or another, but to remind you that I too will need to discern wisely and seek the council of Jesus Christ and the Church He founded in its teachings. We should not be afraid to engage ourselves in the political arena – it is only in doing so that we can hope to bring about here on Earth the will of God. Let us not forget that when we pray the 'Our Father' we say the words "**... thy kingdom come thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...**" Next week I will conclude my reflections on the honour and responsibly as voters to make Canada a country where God's Will and Kingdom may be realized.

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.

Come & See Weekend – St. Augustine's Seminary

St. Augustine's Seminary: Friday, November 1 at 7:00pm to Sunday, November 3 at 1:30 pm. Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more info., please contact Fr. Liborio or the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org

October 13th, 2019

Youth Group Kick-Off Night!



Friday, October 18
from 7:00 - 9:00pm
For youths from grade 7 to grade 12! 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



Please join us for our next meeting **October 22, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.**
Please join us to talk about prayer with in the family in hopes to strengthen the family bond.
For more information please email:
bramptonstmaryscmg@catholicmomsgroup.com

40 Days for Life Parish Prayer Vigil to End Abortion- October 19th



St. Mary's Parish, would like to invite you on Saturday, October 19th, 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 19th. Go to www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/mississauga/ for location and sign up.

CWL News

Executive Meeting: Wednesday October 16th at 7:00 pm Parish Hall.
Bazaar Worknights: Mondays October 21 and 28th at 7:30pm Parish Hall.



Knit One / Crochet Too



The St. Mary's Knitting/Crocheting group has started again.
Note the change of dates. Mornings: Wednesdays, Oct. 16, Nov. 6 and 20 from 10:00am to noon. **Evenings:** Mondays, Oct. 21, Nov. 4 and 18 from 7:00 to 9:00pm. All meetings will be in the Our Lady of Fatima Hall. Dates are posted in the Religious Articles Store window. Supplies available for beginners. All levels of crafters are welcome. Come and share talents in a fun, friendly atmosphere.

Family Christmas Project Volunteer Meeting



October 24th—Volunteers are needed to organize Christmas assistance for families in need within our parish. If you think you can spare a few hours of your time towards this very rewarding experience, please meet in the Sullivan room on Thursday, October 24th at 7:00pm.

Office Closed for Thanksgiving Monday, October 14th



The Office will be closed Monday, October 14th.
The Church will be closed shortly after the 9 am Mass.

St. Mary's Movie Nights - The Prince of Egypt



Lights, Camera, Action!!!

St. Mary's parish will be hosting monthly movie nights in our parish hall. Different movies will be played for families and parishioners of all ages. Keep an eye out for movie showings in the Church bulletin and bulletin boards. A donation to offset the light dinner and refreshments would be greatly appreciated.

Our First Movie is: The Prince of Egypt (for family of all ages)

Sunday October 27th – movie starts at 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

If you're interested in going to the October 27th movie viewing, please complete the slip below and return the bottom portion to the **parish office or place it in the collection basket** next weekend. Hope to see you there!



October 27th – The Prince of Egypt

Who's attending?

Number of Adults: _____ Number of Children: _____ Ages of Children _____

Let us Pray

For the Sick

Benjamin Pham
Aldina Oliveira

For the Recently Deceased

Dorothy Brown
Ana Bessy Lemus De Santos
Patrick Hamill
Ewa Wiecek
Victory Osarenkhoe



Pray for Vocations


How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997** vocations@archtoronto.org

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