

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY AUGUST 30, 2015

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kathleen Angus, Christopher Chiu, Angeline Nazareth, Rosalina Asilador, Bob Hustins, Cleo Savoie, Patti Wong, Elizabeth Wong, Anne Sequeira, Jean Lee, Philip Selvanayagam, Vincent Marshall, Gemma Camilleri, Shogik Zarkarian, Patrick and Nancy Yeung, Chit Szeto, Tony Logtenberg, Chris Sampson and Sylvia Wong

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: For those who have no one to pray for them.

THE LIVING ROSARY will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 6:30 before the evening Mass, in honour of our celebration of the Birth of Mary.

PRAYERS OF BLESSING AND BEST WISHES to all students and teachers who make new beginnings at this time of year.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN AT THE 12:00 SUNDAY MASS will resume the weekend after Labour Day for children up to grade 4. Parents of the very young may accompany their child for a few weeks until they are comfortable with the adjustment of being on their own. Many thanks to Winnie Thien, the Legion of Mary and other volunteers for their commitment over many years. Those who would like to volunteer as catechists, including future Catholic teachers, should contact Winnie.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION in our parish will take place in the parish office until Sept. 27. Registration form will be distributed to grade 7 and 8 students at our parish Catholic schools the first week of school. Those in high school who may have missed Confirmation are also welcome. Forms are available in the parish office for those from other schools.

REGISTRATION FOR FIRST PENANCE AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION in our parish will take place in the parish office until Sept. 27. Registration forms will be distributed to grade 2 students at our parish Catholic schools the first week of school. Those from higher grades who may have missed preparation in grade 2 are also welcome. Forms are available in the parish office for those from other schools.

ALTAR SERVERS – Boys as young as grade 4 who would like to become Altar Servers should contact Fr. Andrews to begin preparation. This involves a serious commitment and support from parents.

DEACON MICHAEL CONLIN REPRESENTING CHALICE will be preaching at our parish the weekend of September 26 and speaking to us about Catholic sponsorship of children in mission regions. Many parishioners are already sponsoring children through CHALICE.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL will be closed temporarily for during renovations. Masses will be held at St. Paul's Basilica, St. Basil's and other neighboring parishes.

ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and making up for any absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.

BUILDING FUND FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER will be next weekend. Thanks to all who contribute monthly for the upkeep and renovation of our church building and property.

ANNUAL EDUCATION MASS for all Catholic School boards will be at St. Paul's Basilica on Wednesday, September 2 at 6:00 p.m. followed by a dinner and talk by Thomas Cardinal Collins in the parish hall. All Catholics working in education are welcome and encourage to attend this event sponsored by the Catholic Teachers' Guild in anticipation of the upcoming school year. Tickets for the dinner are \$50 – contact barry.white@tcdsb.org

THE FAITH EXPLAINED CONFERENCE (Unlocking the Book of Revelation) will be Saturday, September 12 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish, 5440 Durie Road, Mississauga. Registration of \$40 at TheFaithExplained.com/Conference or at the door. Speakers include Thomas Cardinal Collins, Msgr. Robert Nusca, Dr. Craig Evans and Cale Clarke.

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Our second Scripture reading reminds us that “Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father ...”. God's gifts should prompt a response of gratitude, which should be the basis of our daily lives. If you feel God is offering you the gift of priesthood, religious life or deaconate, and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997
email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

CATHOLICS AND MUSLIMS IN CANADA: Believers and Citizens in Society – This pamphlet is available from www.cccb.ca for a great summer read. It comes from The Episcopal Commission for Christian Unity, Religious Relations with the

Jews, and Interfaith Dialogue of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

REGISTRATION FOR YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD during the summer months, when schools are closed, will take place at the Catholic Education Centre, 320 Bloomington Road West in Aurora.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL in our parish is looking for a few new members to accomplish their good work serving our community. Volunteer hours for high school community may be served in our parish. Contact Rosemarie (416)495-1067.

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS if you could write out your requests for particular intentions and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Thomas the Apostle.

CANADIAN HEARTS AND HANDS is looking for volunteers from our parish to assist at the following projects on Sundays in the GTA: St. Vincent's Kitchen in Oshawa, Happy Hour at Tendercare Living Centre in Scarborough, Good Shepherd Centre and Good Neighbours Club in downtown Toronto. Thanks to Les Rodrigues and the many volunteers who have been working with people on these projects. For more information check www.canadianheartsandhands.ca or contact Les Rodrigues l_s_r_3@hotmail.com

PROVIDE A MEAL is a monthly opportunity for the people of our parish to bring a frozen shepherd's pie which will be picked up by the Good Shepherd Centre and provide a meal for those in need. The empty containers are available for pick-up the first weekend every month and the donated pies are collected in our freezer the second weekend every month. Thanks too many parishioners who have been participating for years to help meet the needs of the homeless. For more information contact Rosemarie Ling (416)495-1067

RETROUVAILLE is a live-in weekend program followed by a number of post sessions to help married couples through difficult times in their marriage relationships. It attempts to provide the tools to rediscover each other and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. For confidential information or to register, contact (416)281-6007 or www.torontoretrouvaille.com