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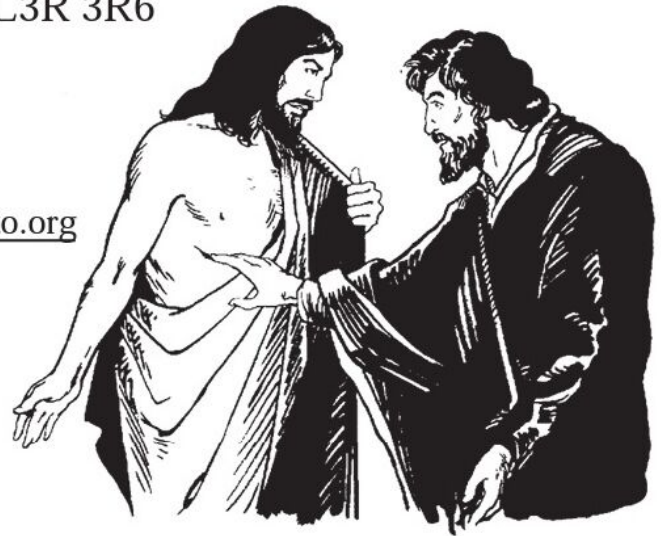
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Pastor - Fr. Allyn Rose (ext. 222)

Associate Pastor - Father Patrick Gnanapragasam (ext. 224)

Deacon - Everis Munroe (ext. 223)

Deacon - Sarfaraz Pinto (ext. 226)

Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)

Part Time Secretary (Thursdays) - Maureen Daunt

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 12:00 noon

Ask ushers for listening - aid devices

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday 12:10 and 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (at Church)

Thurs. evening Mass is in Latin - *forma ordinaria*

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursday & Fridays after the 12:10 Mass to
7:00 Evening Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Before all Weekend and Weekday Masses

Father Allyn Rose: 416-799-0407

Father Patrick Gnanapragasam: 647-877-1774

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

Will be the Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m.

An information package should be picked up
at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

MARRIAGES

An information package should be picked up at the Parish
Office before meeting with the priest.
One year advanced planning is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Families should notify the Parish Office
in the event of serious illness.

“Dominus meus et Deus meus”

SCHOOLS

St. Benedict 905-475-9646

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PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku 416-298-2541

DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 905-475-2536

St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT 905-475-2350

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday August 28** 12:10 p.m.
+Ramon Manalo
(Family)
- Monday August 28** 7:00 p.m.
Amiana Abella
(Family)
- Tuesday August 29** 12:10 p.m.
Deceased Members of the
Perera and Mahendran Families
- Tuesday August 29** 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
- Wednesday August 30** 12:10 p.m.
+Maisie, Charles and Trevor Daunt
(Family)
- Wednesday August 30** 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
- Thursday August 31** 12:10 p.m.
+John Anthony
(John and Yoke Seck)
- Thursday August 31** 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
- Friday September 1** 12:10 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
- Friday September 1** 7:00 p.m.
Vocations to the Priesthood
- Saturday September 2** 9:00 a.m.
Living and deceased Members of the
Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and their
living and deceased families
(Jackie Mackenzie)
- Saturday September 2** 5:00 p.m.
+Suthan Ponnudurai
(Family)
- Sunday September 3** 8:00 a.m.
For the People of the Parish
- Sunday September 3** 10:00 a.m.
+Dominic Edward
(Family)
- Sunday September 3** 12:00 p.m.
+Jordon Pogue

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY AUGUST 27, 2023

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Tony Romero, Al Jacob, Bruce Crepe, Romana Pena, Godofredo Pena Jr., Priscilla Lumanlan, Paul Giallonardo, Liza Chan, William Lee Ah-Chong, Amy Tsang, Grace Chan, Mary Foo, Lynn Demers, Edwin Quiambao, Mary Josephine Albert, Betty Chan, William Yung, Agnes Yuen, Rowena Poon, Emilia Cabral, Jessica Kong, Dorine Couture, Maryann Redoblado, Cely Chichioco, Veronica Small, Annette McIntosh and Meadow Mahorn.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Sapphire Chow and for those who have no one to pray for them.

THIS WEEK IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF SEPTEMBER
Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament will follow the evening mass on Friday, September 1st until Benediction at 11:45.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please call Juliette at 416-302-1823. Classes start in October.

ATTENTION STUDENTS

Are you headed to university or college this fall? Campus Ministry is waiting for you! Connect with campus ministry to find a welcoming community of friends and faith. Visit chaplaincyconnect.ca to check out campus ministry on your campus!

CELEBRATION OF ST. MICHAEL AND CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REVEREND FRANCIS LEO

**Friday September 29, 2023, 5:30 p.m.,
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**

The Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate the Feast Day of our Archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:40 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Reverend Ivan Jurkovic will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd of the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal: \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses). We received: \$7,070.87 (Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.).

THE 109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24

This occasion will be marked with the celebration of Mass, which will take place on Sunday, September 24, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Transfiguration, located at 10350 Victoria Square Boulevard in Markham. Monsignor Makarios Wehbi will preside, and Bishop John Boissoneau will be the homilist. A short program will follow. All are welcome.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about His passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks His disciples what people are saying about His identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks His disciples who they believe that He is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build His Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock" Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of His passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *Church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

....will collect your donations on September 16 – 17, 2023 We collect clothes, shoes, boots, blankets, sheets, towels, etc.

We do not accept appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes. For more information visit www.ssvptoronto.ca

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The KOC continue to fundraise by collecting EMPTIES, such as the following: Beer cans or bottles, wine bottles, spirits such as (vodka, rum, or whiskey, etc.). **Drop off location for empties, downstairs by the washrooms.** All proceeds will go to St. Thomas the Apostle and the Charities of the KOC.

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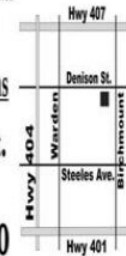
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