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the more I will bless you and shall never be in want"*



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Fr. Lorenzo Salandanan

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Fr. Michael Holmes

Permanent Deacons

Rev. Deacon Eustace Beausoleil

Rev. Deacon Terence Rebello

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:30am; 10:00am;
11:30am & 1:00pm

WEEKEDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues., Fri. 9:15am
Tues., Wed., Thurs. 7:00pm
Saturday & Holidays 9:00am
First Friday 7:00pm

Followed by HOLY HOUR

DEVOTIONS

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
Infant Jesus of Prague (Tuesday)
Our Mother of Perpetual Help
(Wednesday)
Holy Spirit (Thursday)
Divine Mercy (Friday)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm
Or by appointment

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office 1 month in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is a prerequisite.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament, please call the Parish Office.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please notify the parish office.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Prince of Peace 416-393-5416
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St. Rene Goupil 416-393-5408
The Divine Infant 416-393-5414
St. Vincent de Paul (Markham)
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Francis Liberman Catholic High
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Fr. Michael McGivney Academy
905-472-4961

CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Christ the King 905-471-0121

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY

9:00am - 12:00noon

1:00pm - 4:00pm

6:00pm - 9:00pm

SATURDAY: 10:00am - 6:00pm

SUNDAY: 8:30am - 2:30pm

PARISH MINISTRIES / GROUPS

Adult Legion of Mary
Altar Servers
Altar Society
Bible Study
Children's Liturgy
Counter's Ministry
Eucharistic Minister to the Sick
Finance Committee
Knights of Columbus
Junior Legion of Mary
Intercessory Prayers
Liturgical Committee
Marriage Preparation
Ministry of Lectors
Ministers of the Eucharist
Ministry of Hospitality
Men's Group
Parish Music Ministry
Prayer Groups
R.C.I.A.
Sacramental Preparation
Screening Committee
Youth Group
St. Vincent de Paul Society
647-234-0265

Mass Intentions for the Week

February 12 - 18, 2018

Monday, February 12

9:15 am + Victorino Villanueva

Tuesday, February 13

9:15 am + Lydia Pobre

7:00 pm + Santiago D'Souza.

Wednesday, February 14

9:15 am + 1st year death anniversary

Jose Menino Fernandes

6:00 pm + Hyacinth Myers

7:30 pm + Elias Diniz

Thursday, February 15

7:00 pm + 1st year death anniversary

Mary Matelda Joseph

Friday, February 16

9:15 am + Letty D'Souza

7:00 pm + 1st year death anniversary

Erlinda R. Co

Saturday, February 17

9:00 am - Birthday blessings Rey Bi-

nagatan & Eliza Dejelo

5:00 pm + Stanley Nunes

Sunday, February 18

8:30 am - Community of Prince of

Peace

10:00 am + Petronila de Guzman

11:30 am + Rufino Mendoza

1:00 pm - Blessings for Steve & Nata-

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JESUS WAS MOVED WITH PITY WHEN HE SAW A LEPER.



In the time of Jesus, leprosy was referred to as a skin condition that was considered repulsive, impure, something to be avoided. It was believed that those who developed leprosy were sinners being punished by God. No one was allowed to touch a leper for fear that they too could become unclean. The culture in which Jesus lived was group oriented, where people were connected to one another and lived communally. Yet, lepers became isolated outcasts, cut off from their physical and spiritual community.

When Jesus touches the leper, he does the unthinkable, exposing himself to impurity as defined by his culture. Jesus reacts with compassion from deep within himself. Fear does not stop him. Barriers and divisions do not hold for Jesus. His touch heals and He touches those who seem beyond hope.

We are inclined to think that Salvation is single file and it is our task to get ourselves to God and into heaven. But, Jesus did not walk single file. He made God's reign possible by gathering those who were banished and alienated, by touching and healing those whom no one would touch. Jesus taught his disciples to walk together side by side towards God's reign and as they walked they were to gather those separated, lost, cut off, left alone or on death row. Disciples walk alongside those who are sick, dying from disease, poverty and loneliness. They companion the homeless, orphaned, undocumented, embracing the ostracized because of their religion, skin colour, sexual orientation or immigration status.

Jesus is a messianic figure with an urgency to his proclamation about the reign of God. He went to neighbouring towns wasting no time, inviting followers to come and follow him, demonstrating the way they were to act, as there was work that needed to be done to preach the good news of God's coming reign. The leper understood, he could not stay quiet and after his healing, he went forth and told others.

Today's readings focus on leprosy but they could be about any disease or condition that evokes fear, alienation or condemnation. Those who suffer are urged to turn to God for healing. All of us are called to imitate Jesus, who throughout his life, embraced and healed the sick and outcast. It is a hard challenge to ignore and even harder one for many of us to accept.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE OF MASSES

February 14, 2018



9:15am / 6:00pm/7:30pm



Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.

Thank You For Your Generosity!

Last Sunday Collection: 9,412.40

DAY of FASTING and ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

WHAT IS ASH WEDNESDAY?

Ash Wednesday (from the Latin *Dies Cinerum*, meaning "Day of Ashes") is the first day of Lent. On this day, Christians focus intensely on their utter and complete sinfulness and the necessity of Christ's suffering and death to earn their salvation. Ashes are referred to many times in the Old Testament as a sign of sorrow, mourning, repentance, and mortality (see [2 Samuel 13:19](#); [Esther 4:1-3](#); [Job 42:6](#); and [Jeremiah 6:26](#)). Many churches use ashes during Ash Wednesday worship as part of a rite called the [Imposition of Ashes](#). According to this ancient custom, ashes (traditionally made by burning palm fronds **used on Palm Sunday of the previous year**) are **mixed with a small amount of olive oil** and applied to the forehead of each worshipper. This mark, in the sign of a cross, can be a powerful reminder of our depraved and sinful nature and total dependence on God for forgiveness and salvation.

**SAVE THE DATE: RETREAT DAY FOR PARISH MINISTERS**

There will be two opportunities for parish ministers to attend a retreat day. The day will provide an opportunity to spend some time growing in relationship with God and reflecting on how ministries help build up the Kingdom.

The scheduled dates are: Saturday, April 14 for a retreat to be held in the Western Region (led by Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director of the Catechesis Office in the Diocese of Hamilton and Lecturer at Saint Augustine's Seminary of Toronto) or Saturday, May 5 for a retreat to be held in the Eastern Region (led by Dr. Christian McConnell, Director of the Institute for Ongoing Formation and Assistant Professor at St. Peter's Seminary in the Diocese of London).

The cost of the retreat is \$20 per person. More information, including how to register for one of the retreats will follow. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Spellacy at 416-934-3400, ext. 325 or at rspellacy@archtoronto.org.

World Day of the Sick...

On February 11, the Memorial of Our Lay of Lourdes, the Church celebrates the World Day of the Sick. Pope Francis, in his message says, "The Church's service to the sick and those who care for them must continue with renewed vigour, in fidelity to the Lord's command and following the eloquent example of her Founder and Master."

Thanks to our Pastoral Care Team who minister to the sick by offering holy communion to them at home and Hospital.

If you have a homebound loved one, or seriously ill, please call the parish office to arrange for a priest to come for an initial visit and possible Anointing of the Sick. We would then be happy to offer them the option of receiving communion at home through our Pastoral Care Team.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS*And Holy Eucharist*

JOIN US
Every Friday at
7:00pm

**What do you do for Lent?
Few Suggestions:**

Daily Prayers, Holy Rosary, reading the Scriptures, Daily Masses, Charitable acts, Sacrament of Confession and Visiting the Blessed Sacraments.

**PRAYER-FASTING
ALMS GIVING**

VOCATIONS CORNER.....

Today's Gospel says that "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today, Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call: **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org; www.vocationstoronto.ca.**

RENEW TORONTO

Is a conference for young adults, aged 19-30. It is an opportunity to grow in your faith and offers a unique opportunity for students, young adult professionals, young couples and families, men and women. It will take place at the Isabel Bader Theatre in Toronto on October 13, 2018. Registration will open on March 1st. Cost to attend is \$50.00 (for those who register on or before April 30); \$70 (regular price for those who register between May 1 & September 30); There is an optional Friday night social for an additional \$30. Space is limited. **WEBSITE: <http://ocytoronto.org/renewto>. EMAIL: youngadult@ocytoronto.org. PHONE: 416-599-7676.**

2018 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Will be held on Saturday, March 3rd, 9 am to 5:30 pm at Metro Toronto Convention Centre

The Theme for this year's rally is "Fire on the Earth".

Featuring Inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Patti Mansfield, an adult High Mass (with Sunday readings) celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins; youth mass celebrated by Bishop Scott McCaig; A separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits.

2018 Parish Envelopes/ Pre-Authorized Giving...

Thanks to all who have picked up your 2018 envelopes and use them faithfully each Sunday - envelopes for pick up are in the parish office. Please remember to mark your name and address or use address labels on the first few envelopes you use in this new year...we appreciate your support! I invite each family to consider the option of Pre-Authorized Giving for the new year. The PAG registration form can be found in the foyer of the church or in the parish office and can be returned (along with void cheque) to the office directly or by dropping it into next Sunday's Offer-tory basket! Thanks to all on behalf of our Property and Finance Council who will be making their annual financial report to the parish soon.

**THE VOTIVE LAMPS ARE OFFERED FOR THE INTENTIONS OF**

1. A dear husband, dad and papa, Jose Menino Fernandes. You left us one year ago, your love and memories will be with us eternally. Offered by Robertina Fernandes and family.

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