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### **Pastor**

**Fr. Lorenzo Salandanan**

### **Associate Pastor**

**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  
Our Lady of Grace 416-393-5372  
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### **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**



**February 19 - 25, 2018**

**Monday, February 19**

9:15 am - Thanksgiving Lourdsou

**Tuesday, February 20**

9:15 am + Florangel Acayan  
7:00 pm - 25th wedding anniversary  
Alfred & Mary Regina.

**Wednesday, February 21**

9:15 am + Jose Antonio Joanes

**Thursday, February 22**

7:00 pm + 1st death anniversary Win-  
nifred Lewis

**Friday, February 23**

9:15 am - Birthday blessings Brendan  
D'Souza  
7:00 pm + 1st death anniversary Mari-  
etta Leano

**Saturday, February 24**

9:00 am + 1st death anniversary  
Vishnu Kumar  
5:00 pm + Lina Nunes

**Sunday, February 25**

8:30 am + Repose of Rogelio Petros  
Fajardo  
10:00 am + Horace Assing  
11:30 am + 2nd death anniversary  
Lenora Cu Fabricante  
1:00 pm - Community of Prince of  
Peace

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**



**Something to reflect upon.....**On the first Sunday of Lent, the Gospel reading in each Lectionary cycle is about Jesus' temptation in the desert. This event in the life of Jesus is reported in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke—but it is not found in John's Gospel. This year we read Mark's account of this event.

Compared to the Gospels of Matthew and Luke, the details throughout Mark's narrative are sparse. This is evident in Mark's account of Jesus' temptation in the desert. Mark tells us only that Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and that for 40 days he was tempted by Satan. The Gospels of Matthew and Luke explain that Jesus fasted while in the desert, that Satan presented him with three temptations, and that Jesus refused each one, quoting Scripture. Only the Gospels of Matthew and Mark report that angels ministered to Jesus at the end of his time in the desert.

In each of the Synoptic Gospels, the temptation of Jesus follows his baptism by John the Baptist. In Mark's Gospel, we are told that Jesus went into the desert immediately after his baptism, led by the Spirit. Jesus' public ministry in Galilee begins after his temptation in the desert. Mark's Gospel makes a connection between the arrest of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' Ministry. Jesus' preaching about the Kingdom of God is in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist, but it is also something new. As Jesus announces it, the Kingdom of God is beginning; the time of the fulfillment of God's promises is here.

The fact that Jesus spent 40 days in the desert is significant. This recalls the 40 years that the Israelites wandered in the desert after being led from slavery in Egypt. The prophet Elijah also journeyed in the desert for 40 days and nights, making his way to Horeb, the mountain of God, where he was also attended to by an angel of the Lord. Remembering the significance of these events, we also set aside 40 days for the season of Lent.

In Mark's Gospel, the desert marks beginning of Jesus' battle with Satan; the ultimate test will be in Jesus' final hours on the cross. In a similar way, our Lenten observances are only a beginning, a preparation for and a reinforcement of our ongoing struggle to resist the temptations we face in our lives. During Lent, we are led by the Holy Spirit to remember the vows of Baptism in which we promised to reject sin and to follow Jesus. Just as Jesus was ministered to by the angels, God also supports us in our struggle against sin and temptation. We succeed because Jesus conquered sin once and for all in his saving death on the cross.



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: \$ 8,143.70**  
**Building Fund: \$ 3,094.40**

**ROSES FOR LIFE**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling 'Roses for Life' in the Lobby on Saturday, February 24 and Sunday, February 25.. Proceeds will go to various Pro-Life Organizations. Please give generously.



**SHARELIFE 2018 CAMPAIGN**

Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to "Live the Gospel" in all that we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties or welcoming refugee families in our community. For more than 41 years, countless individuals have experienced this compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!" *Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto*

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday**  
**Please give generously**



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

1. In Loving memory of Yole Loreto Baldassini, parents La Posta family, parents Cianfarani family. Offered by Concetta Baldassini
2. In loving memory of the 8th year death anniversary of Germalina Pazcoquin. May she rest in peace.

**COME & SEE WEEKEND\  
MARCH 23 TO 25, 2018**

The weekend begins Friday, March 23 (6:30 pm) to Sunday, March 25 (ends at 1:30 pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary.

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](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca). Registrants 12 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact (the Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997; email: [vocations@archtoronto.ca](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.ca)



**SENIORS MONTHLY  
GATHERING**

Will be held Tuesday, February 20th from 1:30 - 3:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

All seniors are welcome to come and enjoy bingo, Line dancing, light refreshments & more.

**VOCATIONS CORNER.....**

Lent: the springtime of the soul ... is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God could be 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org); [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).**



**SAVE THE DATE: RETREAT DAY FOR PARISH MIN-  
ISTERS**

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](mailto:rspellacy@archtoronto.org).

**SIGN UP SUNDAYS**

February 24/25 & March 3/4

Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February, 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Member of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers, wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith-based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. The work builds on a similar campaign in 2017. Please visit <http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration> to register yourself for this initiative. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

**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](mailto:youngadult@ocytoronto.org). PHONE: 416-599-7676.**

**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 Offertory basket! Thanks to all on behalf of our Property and Finance Council who will be making their annual financial report to the parish soon.



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