



Fourteenth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time

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July 4, 2021

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

July 5 - 11, 2021

Monday, July 5

8:30 am: + Barbara Pascua

Tuesday, July 6

8:30 am: + Henry D'Almeida

Wednesday, July 7

8:30 am: + Rose Cabrera; Richard Pazcoguín; Marcelino Pazcoguín

Thursday, July 8

8:30 am: Community of Prince of Peace

Friday, July 9

8:30 am: + Joy George; Rosario Singian

Saturday, July 10

8:30 am: Community of Prince of Peace

Something to ponder.....

Jesus is rejected in his hometown. (Mark 6:1-6) (Loyola Press)

This Gospel immediately follows upon last week's stories of the raising of Jairus's daughter and the healing of the woman with a hemorrhage. It sets the context of our Gospel readings for the next two weeks in which Jesus will extend the work of his ministry to his disciples.

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father. Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words brother and sister were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews.

This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus.

This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.

Light a Prayer Candle



Sanctuary Lamps

Intentions of the Webb family especially for Richard & Ryan

Let us pray!

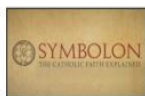
For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.



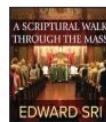
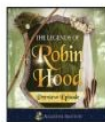
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LIVE STREAMING

Livestreaming is now available for our parishioners as the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist continues. Alternatively, a full list of Livestream services can be accessed at: www.archtoronto.org.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PROGRAM

This is an Archdiocesan Giving Plan to assist you in your support of the work of Prince of Peace Parish, through your regular parish offerings (this does not include special collections). The Plan is administered through the Archdiocese and tax receipts will be issued for all offertory gifts. Enrollment forms available at the parish office.



FRIENDLY REMINDER

We ask that you **do not use envelopes from previous years** as those numbers might have been reassigned to someone else and your donations will be credited to them.



If you were not able to pick up your 2021 envelopes due to previous lockdowns, we invite you to consider contacting the office so that we can make them available to you either by personally coming to pick them up or requesting to have them ready for pick up after the Sunday mass. Your support during this time of pandemic is greatly valued, especially as we return to more normal operations. Thank you for your generous sacrifice.

ShareLife

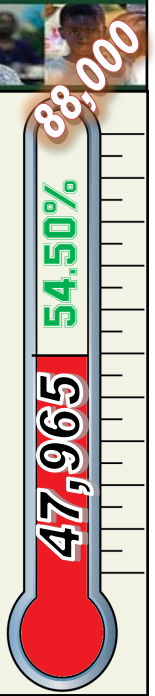


ShareLife funded agencies have been working on the front line of the Covid-19 pandemic. One of them, Silent Voice, has been continuing to offer programs in ASL (American Sign Language) to the Deaf community.

Sunday, June 20 is ShareLife Sunday. We encourage you to donate at the parish or online at sharelife.org. Monthly Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution throughout the year. To enroll, please fill out a ShareLife envelope at your parish or contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411.

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR: \$88,000.00
AS OF JUNE 30TH WE HAVE COLLECTED 47,965 (54.50%)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY



PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE

The Office of Formation for Discipleship is hosting their 4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference, **With Burning Hearts**, from **October 26 to 30, 2021**. The conference will be a virtual, interactive place, **Save the date** and visit for more info: www.archtoronto.org/conference

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



LECTORS

As we continue to improve our return to mass, we are implementing new practices that require the assistance of volunteers. We are currently looking for the following roles: We are currently looking for lectors for weekday and weekend masses and, from time to time, to read at Funerals. Please contact the parish office if interested in helping.

MASS RESPONSES LEADER: We are still welcoming parishioners who can both lead in the responses of the mass and manage the PowerPoint



slides during the mass. Training will be provided and those interested are asked to contact the parish office.

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS

Due to the ongoing changes caused by the Pandemic, many volunteer positions have been suspended and others have been introduced. As you know, it is not only an Archdiocesan regulation but also an Ontario Law that all volunteers must undergo a screening process to ensure a safe environment and protect the vulnerable. Currently, the Archdiocese is planning to AUDIT the Volunteer Screening Program in all parishes to verify if we are following all regulations. Currently two areas that need attention are:



Annual Offence Declaration (AOD)

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

AODA



As we know, the provincial government made a revision to the "Roadmap for Reopening" as it relates to

places of worship allowing us to open at **15%** capacity in **Step One** and **25%** in **Step Two**.

Step One began on **Friday, June 11** and Step Two began on **Wednesday, June 30** and the Archdiocese gave us permission to open churches observing the new capacity restrictions. However, we were instructed to begin celebrating public masses as soon as **we are certain** that we can implement our *Worship Safe health and safety protocols*. A group of parishioners met with our new pastor to explore our readiness and we were able to start immediately thanks to the willingness of committed and generous volunteers. Eventbrite was updated to reflect the new schedule of masses as follows:

Saturday- 5:00pm
Sunday- 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am and 1pm.
Monday-Saturday 8:30am

Eventbrite will open on Wednesday at 10:00 am

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)

The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) is an Ontario law enacted in 2005, mandating that organizations follow standards to become more accessible to people with disabilities. The goal for the province is to be fully accessible by 2025 by removing barriers in a number of areas. **All levels of government, private sectors, and non-profits must comply with this legislation.**

Since 2012, the Archdiocese of Toronto has been implementing the required standards of the AODA as they become law and are committed to providing a welcoming, accessible and inclusive environment for all of its parishioners, visitors, volunteers and employees. The AODA aligns with the Archdiocese's desire to be of service, equitable and socially responsible.

As the Archdiocese is considered a large organization under the AODA, part of the requirement is to provide a copy of the Archdiocese of Toronto's AODA Customer Service Policy and to provide AODA training to all clergy, employees, independent contractors and volunteers – including paid and unpaid positions – regardless of whether they have contact with the public. This requirement is for individuals ages 16+.

As well, the Archdiocese must keep records of training.

As a valued volunteer of the Archdiocese of Toronto and in keeping with the Canadian Code for Volunteer Involvement, you have a right to expect sufficient training in order to accomplish your volunteer ministry. You also have the responsibility to complete the required training and comply with the training you receive.

On our parish website at [Accessibility](#) you will find the Archdiocese of Toronto's AODA Accessible Customer Service Policy.

We are asking our volunteers to please take the time to read over the policy and complete the training in a timely manner.

The OADA Training Manual can be found on the [Archdiocese of Toronto Volunteer Screening Program - Orientation & Training](#) website. Then select the AODA Online Training Modules. The last part will be completing the SurveyMonkey Acknowledgment as the Archdiocese must keep records of training.

For more information about the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) please visit ontario.ca/accessibility.

We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation.



The parish office is open Monday and Wednesday from 9 am to 12 noon and 1:30 to 4:00 pm. To visit the office you must **book an appointment**. Please call us at: 416-291-9422 to book your appointment.

Celebration of the Sacraments

RECONCILIATION



At this time, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available to all parishioners by appointment only. Please call the parish office to book an appointment.

FIRST COMMUNION

We are finalizing the dates that will be available for First Communion celebrations. Our plan is to have all



the children who are fully prepared, receive the Sacrament before September. Keep checking the bulletin for updates.

CONFIRMATION

We are working towards having all students who have completed their preparation successfully celebrate this Sacrament before September. We thank you for your patience.



VOCATIONS



Receiving Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. God nourishes us with the "Bread from Heaven" if we have ordained priests to celebrate the Liturgy. If you feel the inclination to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call: Fr. Matt McCarthy:

416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

PRIVATE PRAYER

Private Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration: **Monday to Saturday from 9am to 12noon.**



In the event of a Funeral, private prayer will be cancelled to allow for preparation before and sanitation after. Call the office before you plan to come to the Church.

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART



The devotion consists in the divine worship of the human heart of Christ, which is united to His divinity and which is a symbol of His love for us. The aim of the devotion is to make our Lord king over our hearts by prompting them to return love to Him (especially through an act of consecration by which we offer to the Heart of Jesus both ourselves and all that belongs to us) and to make reparation for our ingratitude to God.

PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART

Hail! O Sacred Heart of Jesus, living and quickening source of eternal life, infinite treasure of the Divinity, and burning furnace of divine love. Thou art my refuge and my sanctuary, O my amiable Savior. Consume my heart with that burning fire with which Thine is ever inflamed. Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Thy love, and let my heart be so united with Thine, that our wills may be one, and mine in all things be conformed to Thine. May Thy divine will be equally the standard and rule of all my desires and of all my actions. Amen.



MORNING OFFERING PRAYER

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all of the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in thanksgiving for your favors, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father, Amen.



A PRAYER OF TRUST

O God, who did in wondrous manner reveal to the virgin, Margaret Mary, the unsearchable riches of your Heart, grant that loving you, after her example, in all things and above all things, we may in your Heart find our abiding home.

Amen

DO YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY HEARING IN CHURCH?



If you do, you are not alone. We all have difficulty hearing because of a number of challenging factors that currently are being addressed. The Finance Council is working with our new pastor to address this issue and soon we will be able to work less hard at hearing God's word both proclaimed as well as preached.



June 3, 2021

*"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it."
(1 Cor 12:26)*

In recent days, the country has been shocked, saddened and angered by the discovery of the remains of 215 children in unmarked graves who attended a residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. We pray for the children who died in Kamloops and in residential schools throughout the country – they must not be forgotten. We must also recognize the betrayal of trust by many Catholic leaders who were responsible for operating residential schools, abandoning their obligation to care for young and innocent children.

We all seek the truth and this tragic discovery provides yet another opportunity for us to learn more about this dark chapter in our history and the painful journey experienced by so many of our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

There is much more work to be done. Since the 1990's, many of the Catholic entities responsible for the operation of residential schools have apologized publicly for their actions and have journeyed together with victims on the path to truth and reconciliation. This includes the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the religious order that operated the residential school in Kamloops, which over the weekend again apologized for its role in the residential school system. Pope Benedict XVI also had the chance to meet with Indigenous leaders in 2009 to personally express his sorrow and anguish.

These actions do not erase our history; they acknowledge our past, force us to face the consequences of our behavior and compel us to ensure that our sins are not repeated.

While the Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools, we join with the Indigenous peoples, the Catholic community and Canadians from coast to coast to coast in a period of collective grief for those who are physically, emotionally and spiritually wounded. This Sunday, I will offer Mass for those who died or were abused at residential schools and for all those who deal with the intergenerational trauma caused by this system. We must also continue to build on the tangible initiatives present throughout the country, like the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle, where bishops and priests, women religious, laity and Indigenous peoples are committed to walking together on a path to reconciliation.

As I have stated previously when speaking of abuse in the Church, the real scandal is when evil festers in the darkness. Once in the open, evil can be rooted out. That must happen. Then new life can begin. Let us journey together to find light through the darkness once again.

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

† Thomas Card. Collins

Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Residential Schools

There has been considerable media coverage and discussion in recent days following the



discovery of children's remains at the former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. The discovery has reopened a painful wound for many in our country and has identified the need for all Canadians to learn more about our history, the role of residential schools as part of that journey and to seek the truth regarding all those who suffered and continue to do so to this day.

The abuse of Indigenous peoples is a dark chapter in the history of Canada and the Catholic Church. While the Church has cared for and served Indigenous people in many ways, it is undeniable that some members of the Church undermined the dignity of First Nations people. There is evidence that much of this abuse occurred at residential schools, which were largely operated by Christian denominations. This communication is intended to provide some context and address some frequently asked questions about this important issue. We must all join in the collective efforts on the path to healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

Visit <https://bit.ly/3xL3ACk> to read the frequently asked questions and Cardinal Collins' statement.

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it." (1 Cor 12:26)

We pray for the children who died in the former Kamloops Indian Residential School and for all those impacted by this tragedy, that there may be healing founded on truth and that the Spirit will inspire our ongoing commitment to reconciliation. For this, let us all pray to the Lord.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

