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ShareLife Sunday Collection: November 7/8

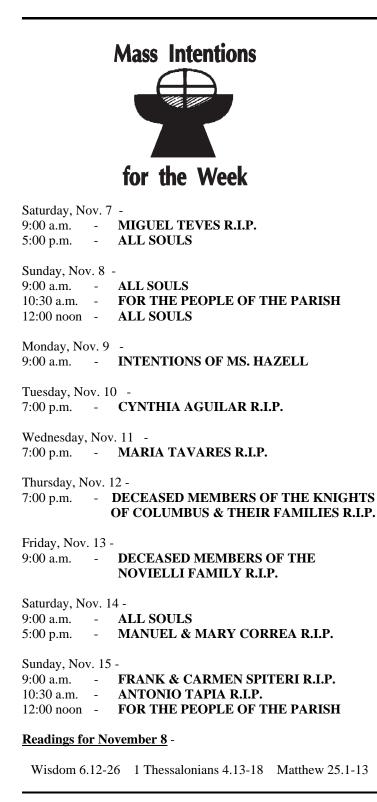


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SUNDAY MISSALS

Profits go directly to the Youth Group to support their The Youth Group are selling the new Sunday Missals at a cost of \$5.00 each. No change will be given - please have the correct change. activities. The last weekend to use the current missal is November 21/22.

SL ShareLife

ShareLife Sunday: Last weekend to contribute to our Parish Campaign

People with addictions are among the many marginalized groups supported by your gift to ShareLife.

"These uncertain times are especially difficult for our addiction clients who already face isolation, food and housing insecurities, and struggle with mental wellness," reports St. Michael's Homes, a ShareLife-funded agency. "We suspect the need will continue to increase throughout the pandemic and into a post-Covid environment.

Your gift to ShareLife ensures St. Michael's Homes can continue to help people overcome addiction, as demand for their programs grows.

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday and the final day to make your donation to our parish campaign. If you give by the end of the weekend you can double the impact of your donation. A generous donor is matching gifts up to \$500,000. Please give during the special collection. You can also give securely online at sharelife.org/donate.

REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

The Archdiocese Office for Refugees has a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member that is in need of refugee sponsorship. This program is intended to assist parishioners only. If you are a parishioner and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor prior to November 15. The Office for Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.

Please note: The deadline for making reservations for attending weekend Masses is Friday afternoon by 5:00. You can visit our parish website at stleonardsbr.archtoronto.org for more information or send an email to the parish at stleonards@rogers.com.



We will not be having a *Book of Remembrance* this year. The following Masses will be offered for All Souls during the month of November. You are invited to write in the names of your deceased relatives or friends on the All Souls envelopes.

Saturday,	November 7	-	5:00 p.m.
Sunday,	November 8	-	9:00 a.m. & 12:00
Saturday,	November 14	-	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday,	November 17	-	7:00 p.m.
Thursday,	November 19	-	7:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus have requested a Mass for their deceased members and families on Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m.

THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST

The Shepherds' Trust supports the needs of the retired diocesan clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith, bringing us the sacraments and enriching our parishes, homes, schools, hospitals and countless other gatherings through their ministry. The Trust was started by lay people who recognized the needs of our retired priests and helped to establish the Trust as a reflection of the gratitude and appreciation of the faithful parishioners in our parishes.

Through your support of The Shepherds' Trust, our retired priests are given the dignity of adequate monthly allowance, health care and other assistance in their golden years - often well beyond the recognized retirement age of 75.

The Shepherds' Trust collection would usually take place next weekend. If you would like to make a contribution you can find donation envelopes in your box of offertory envelopes or you can donate online by contacting the Archdiocese of Toronto website.

Plenary Indulgence during month of November

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the need to avoid large groups from forming where prohibited, the Plenary Indulgence applicable to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery has been extended beyond the normal dates of 1 to 8 November. This year, the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

The homebound

For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, including anti-Covid restrictions, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by "uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful". In this case, the condition of being "completely detached from sin" and the intention of completing the other requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence remain. These conditions are Sacramental Confession, reception of Holy Communion and a prayer for the Holy Father's intentions.

The Decree suggests that such prayer take place before an "image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary". Among the various prayers that are recommended are "prayers for the deceased, Morning or Evening Prayer from the Office of the Dead, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditating on various Gospel passages proposed for the liturgy of the Dead, or completing a work of mercy by offering to God the suffering and discomforts of one's own life".

VOCATIONS

"Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." Listen with your heart as well as with your ears for then you may accept the call to serve in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org. You can also visit their website at www.vocationstoronto.ca.

