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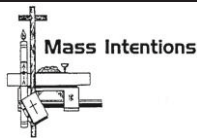
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On Thanksgiving,
Give thanks to the Lord
for His many Blessings



Saturday, Oct. 8

9:00 a.m. - **THANKSGIVING INT. OF ROSIE CABRAL**
 5:00 p.m. - **FR. ANTONI MENDRELA R.I.P.**

Sunday, Oct. 9

9:00 a.m. - **ANTONIO MAZZOTTA R.I.P.**
 10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
 12:00 noon- **UMBERTO LACAPRUCCIA R.I.P.**

Monday, Oct. 10

9:00 a.m. - **MARIA KINGSON R.I.P.**

Tuesday, Oct. 11 - St. John XXIII, Pope

7:00 p.m. - **SANTO VOCE R.I.P.**

Wednesday, Oct. 12

7:00 p.m. - **INT. OF MARIA FRIAS**

Thursday, Oct. 13

7:00 p.m. - **LAURIDA MIRINHO, ANGELA ALMEIDA, & WILLIAM SANTOS R.I.P.**

Friday, Oct. 14

9:00 a.m. - **ESTEFANIA ORDONEZ R.I.P.**

Saturday, Oct. 15 - St. Teresa of Avila

9:00 a.m. - **RENZO & CONNIE DELMEDICO (62nd WEDDING ANNIVERSARY)**
 5:00 p.m. - **KEITH BURTLES R.I.P.**

Sunday, Oct. 16

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
 10:30 a.m.- **BENNY LAVECCHIA R.I.P.**
 12:00 noon- **ELSA & FRANCISCO CASTRO R.I.P.**

Happy Thanksgiving! Though Thanksgiving Day is not specifically a Catholic holy day, it certainly goes hand in hand with our life of faith. Spiritually speaking, we all know that gratitude is central to the Gospel message. Thanksgiving Day presents us with the perfect opportunity to look at this particular aspect of our faith. We are called to be eternally and deeply grateful. How grateful to God are you?

Perhaps we all struggle in various ways with gratitude. It's fair to say that we will never be grateful enough until we are perfected in Heaven. But, for now, it's important to look at gratitude and to try to let it increase in our souls.

We will never be grateful unless we see clearly all that God has done for us. It's so easy in life to focus in on all the struggles we face and, as a result, to get down, depressed, frustrated and even angry at times. What's far more challenging is to look beyond the crosses and burdens we face each day to see the abundance of grace and mercy given to us by our Lord. Unless we see that mercy and grace, we will struggle greatly with authentic gratitude.

On this Thanksgiving Day, reflect upon this simple question: Do I see all God has done for me? Do I see His abundance of mercy alive in my life? If you can humbly admit you struggle with total gratitude, you will have taken the first step to seeing more clearly and the first step to fostering the deeper gratitude you ought to have. Being grateful means you see the truth clearly. Be open to that truth and God will change your life as He fills you with joy!
(from mycatholic.life)

Readings for October 9

2 Kings 5.14-17 2 Timothy 2.8-13
 Luke 17.11-19



The Rosary is recited at 10:05 every Sunday morning in the church.

If anyone is interested in having the pilgrim statue in their home, please call Lucy at 905-840-2284.



Thank you to the many who participated in Life Chain on Sunday, Oct. 2. The witness and prayer was met with much positive response to the life saving message.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food this weekend and next. There is a bin in the foyer of the church for your donations. Thank you for your support.



FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION CATECHISM CLASSES

Catechism classes for First Reconciliation and First Communion for students **not** attending one of our seven parish schools, will begin on **Saturday, October 22nd at 3:30-4:45 p.m.** You will find a registration form on our parish website: <https://stleonardsbr.archtoronto.org> or call the parish office. Please register before the classes begin by bringing your completed form and a copy of your child's baptism certificate, to the office or emailing them to: stleonardsbr@archtoronto.org.

LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING

The next Lay Pastoral Visitors Training will be offered online on Thursdays, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1 and 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

Registrants are required to participate in **all** online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but registration is required (space is limited). This program is offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship and Saint Monica Institute.

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by November 1, 2022 or
CONTACT: Sally Amaral, samaral@archtoronto.org
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CWL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

After a 3 year break due to Covid, the Catholic Women's League will

be having their Annual Christmas Bazaar this year on Saturday, November 19th from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be handmade gifts, baked goods, 50/50 Raffle, prizes for an hourly raffle draw, rummage sale items, silent auction, Fundscrip, and a lunch room.

BIRTHRIGHT BABY BUNDLE WEEKEND

The Catholic Women's League is holding their annual Birthright Baby Bundle Weekend on **October 22/23**. All donations of new baby items (clothes for 0-6 months), blankets, bottles, diapers, formula and supplies will be given directly to Birthright. Cash/cheque donations are welcome and tax receipts will be issued by Birthright for donations of \$15.00 or more.

A playpen and box (for cash/cheques) will be set up in the foyer on that weekend. We thank you for your generous support.



BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

The truck for the St. Vincent de Paul will be in the back parking lot **October 22/23** to accept donations of gently used clothing, shoes, and linens. Please see the bulletin board or website for acceptable items.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF - PAKISTAN

Devastating floods in Pakistan have displaced hundreds of thousands, at one point leaving a third of the country inundated with water. More than 1,500 people have died following record rainfall with 33 million throughout the country affected by this disaster.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada – Development and Peace as well as the Archdiocese of Karachi) to support relief efforts underway. Please note that these organizations are **not** subject to the government matching funds program.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
Name of Parish – Pakistan Floods – Humanitarian Relief

There are envelopes in the foyer of the church for your donations.

Please continue to pray for those who have died and been displaced as a result of this tragic situation in Pakistan.

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