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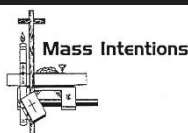
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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*





Saturday, October 11 - St. John XXIII, Pope

9:00 a.m. - **JOY MATHEW R.I.P.**

5:00 p.m. - **ANTONIO TAPIA R.I.P.**

Sunday, October 12

9:00 a.m. - **DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS OF MARIA CABECEIRAS R.I.P.**

10:30 a.m.- **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**

12:00 noon- **CELSA & MANUEL LEAL R.I.P.**

Monday, October 13

9:00 a.m. - **THANKSGIVING INT. OF CABRAL FAMILY**

Tuesday, October 14 - St. Callistus I, Pope

7:00 p.m. - **HAZEL MITCHELL R.I.P.**

Wednesday, October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus

7:00 p.m. - **FR. ANTONI MENDRELA & DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS R.I.P.**

Thursday, October 16 - St. Marguerite D'Youville

7:00 p.m. - **INT. FOR JOANA MATTHEW**

Friday, October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch

9:00 a.m. - **RAFFAELE DEFINA R.I.P.**

Saturday, October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

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

5:00 p.m. - **MICHAEL COLLINGE R.I.P.**

Sunday, October 19 - World Mission Sunday

9:00 a.m. - **FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**

10:30 a.m.- **ROY GONSALVES R.I.P.**

12:00 noon- **BENNY LAVECCHIA R.I.P.**

Readings for October 12

2 Kings 5.14-17 2 Timothy 2.8-13

Luke 17.11-19



Thank you to all who witnessed to the Sanctity of Life at Life Chain last Sunday and our parish day for 40 Days for Life on Wednesday. Your witness and prayer make a difference in this world.

Also, thank you to all who donated to the CWL Annual Birthright Baby Bundle last weekend. Your donations will help young mothers and their babies to receive what they need, as they have chosen the gift of life.

PLEASE NOTE: The parish office will be closed on Monday for Thanksgiving Day.



During this Jubilee Year of Hope, we have been invited “to recognize the immense goodness present in our world, lest we be tempted to think ourselves overwhelmed by evil and violence” (Spes non Confundit, 7). To discern God’s grace present and at work in the world today and in our past is no small task, but it is absolutely crucial in the spiritual life; our Christian walk of faith (cf. Augustine, Confessions, Book VIII). The thankful heart remembers God’s past fidelity and so finds strength to believe in his future blessings. Just as Israel gave thanks for liberation from Egypt and for entrance into the Promised Land, the Church today gives thanks for Christ’s victory over sin and death and looks forward to the fullness of the Kingdom (cf. John Cassian, The Conferences, IX, ix-xiv). Gratitude roots us in the memory of salvation, while the theological virtue of Hope stretches us toward its fulfillment.

In this Holy Jubilee Year of Hope, Thanksgiving is more than tradition - it is a sacramental reminder of God’s love that finds its fullest expression in the Sunday Eucharist. May God bless you and your family and friends on this Thanksgiving weekend. Know that I give thanks to God for all of you, for the wonderful People of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us and make us truly grateful disciples of your Son.

(Excerpt from Cardinal Leo’s Message for Thanksgiving 2025)



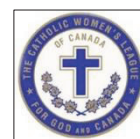
Help fill plates with hope this Thanksgiving

This Thanksgiving, gratitude comes with a challenge - families are struggling to put food on the table. ShareLife has pledged \$800,000 through its Food Security Grants to bring warm meals to those who need them most.

Will you share your blessings with our parish’s ShareLife Campaign? We have currently raised \$89,163.43 towards our suggested goal of \$100,000. Please give with love at sharelife.org/donate or our parish with a ShareLife envelope.

CWL GENERAL MEETING

The Catholic Women’s League will be hosting their general meeting this Wednesday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. (after Mass) in the parish hall. We welcome all women of the parish, and invite you to come and see who we are with no commitment. Join us for coffee and friendship.





OKTOBERFEST - OCTOBER 18

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an Oktoberfest Evening next **Saturday, October 18th from 6:30-10:00 pm** in the parish hall. There will be sausage, beer, dancing and entertainment by the Sparklett's.

Tickets will be on sale this weekend after all the Masses. Adults \$20 and Kids (under 12) \$10.

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS GENERAL MEETING

The Knights of Columbus General Meeting is this Thursday, October 16 at 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall. There will be an Installation of Officers at the 7:00 p.m. Mass.



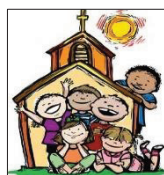
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20

There will be a second collection next weekend - October 18/19, for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work. You will find an envelope in your donation box; there are also envelopes for this collection in the foyer.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

The Children's Liturgy program is scheduled to begin again next **Sunday, October 19th** at the 10:30 and 12:00 Masses. Children ages 4-10 go to the Parish Hall and have the Liturgy of the Word explained to them at their level. They return to join their parents during the Offertory for the remainder of the Mass.

It is only possible to run this program with volunteers from the parish who are willing to give of their time and talents. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact the parish office. You will be required to fill out a volunteer screening form and have a background check.



FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION

The enrollment for children in Grade 2 at our seven parish schools will take place on **Saturday, October 18th at 10:30 a.m.** or on **Friday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m.** at the church. Information packages have been sent to the schools. It is mandatory for you and your child to attend one of these enrollment ceremonies. Please bring the completed enrollment form and a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Registration for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is open. The classes will begin on October 17th. If you are interested in signing up your child or have any questions, please call the Parish or email Irene at idelarossa@rogers.com.

KNITS OF KINDNESS

The Catholic Women's League have a campaign for Knits of Kindness next weekend of October 18/19 after all Masses. For a \$10 donation a warm winter hat or scarf can be given to those in need. The CWL have a variety of hats and scarves to be selected from, and those donated will be delivered to the Knight's Table, Ste. Louise Outreach, The Good Shepherd, and Regeneration Brampton. For further information, please contact secretary.cwl.stleonardsbr@outlook.com.



The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2026. St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7 to 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 21 beginning at 7:00 pm. Please register at applySMCS.com.

The Rosary is recited after the 9:00 Mass every Sunday

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2025 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

The Good Shepherd Outreach Ministry is in need of drivers to deliver the pans of food each month. Contact the parish office if you would be able to help.



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