

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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St. Vincent de Paul Society (Helpline) 416-757-9561

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Catholic Women's League - every 1st Sat. @ 2:00 p.m.

cwl.olof@gmail.com

Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.

Auxiliary Circle - every 2nd Sun. @ 1:30 p.m.

The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

Missionaries Family of Christ - every 3rd Sat. @ 6:00 pm

Ed & Beth Zapanta, Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com

BAPTISMS:

Application Form from the Parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Contact the Parish Office in September.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one full year in advance**. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. **A Marriage Preparation Course is required.**

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

FUNERALS: Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: NO MASS, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Rosary, Devotions & Mass 6:30 p.m.

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday (1 Mass) 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

First Saturdays: : 9:45 - 10:30 am & 3:40 - 4:25 pm

Or call the Office for appointment.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m - 12:00 Noon, 1:00 pm - 3:00 p.m.

The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Sunday, September 25

- 9:00 a.m. +Don Colbourne
- 10:30 a.m. +Litsa Doros & Theresa Mastrogiannis
- 12:15 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, September 26

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27

- 8:00 a.m. +Maria Louella S. Bautista

Wednesday, September 28

- 7:00 p.m. Eduardo Banawa (I) Thanksgiving

Thursday, September 29

- 8:00 a.m. +Diane Werner

Friday, September 30

- 8:00 am +Gaetan Dumas

Saturday, October 01

- 9:00 a.m. Rosanne Hamilton (I) Thanksgiving
- 4:30 p.m. +Danny & Agnes Gomes

26th Sunday in OT - September 25, 2022



But if only someone would go to them. Pray for those who are called to 'run the race' as priests, sisters, deacons or brothers. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call alling you contact **Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation**

Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Fr. Glass at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.

Next Week Readings

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Gift of Faith

1st Reading: Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2.2-4

2nd Reading: 2Timothy 1.6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Luke 17.5-10

Faith like a Mustard Seed

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

To observe the impulse.

Years back, two guys thought that it would be fun to build a full-size catapult and then write a book about it. To fund the project they applied for a 'arts' grant. In their grant application they stated that their purpose was "to observe the impulse." What was it about the idea of a catapult that fired the imagination and made it an object of desire? I do not remember much about the book, but that phrase, "to observe the impulse" stuck with me — at first because I did not quite understand what it meant, and then later, because it explained so many things — like tattoos.

This is not a rant against tattoos. My concern is not with the tattoo, but with the impulse. Why is it that so many people are now subject to this irresistible impulse? If asked, they will explain how this specific tattoo has great meaning for them. True enough. But why this need to immortalize that great meaning indelibly on one's skin?

If we reflect on it, we realize that this impulse is not rational; rather, it is rooted in the sub-rational part of our psyche. It has to do with the fact that we are social beings with an in-built and deeply rooted instinct to conform. We are 'hard-wired' for conformity within our social group, within our own little tribe.

This is especially true for young people, who are still trying to work out how they fit into society. At one time, 'in the old days', young people would grow up among adults of various ages and they would learn how to fit into the adult world. Now our youth are corralled together in high-schools and universities where they are all of the same age, and this unsurprisingly produces all kinds of social dysfunction.

St. Thomas Aquinas says something about this in his *Summa Theologica*, where discusses 'verecundia', which can be translated as 'a sense of shame' or 'a sense of propriety.' This is the subconscious impulse to conform to the standards of our social group or tribe. If we violate those standards, even secretly, we will feel discomfort. This is an involuntary feeling over which we have no control. It is often mistaken for conscience.

This sense of propriety is a good thing if we are among good people; it is a bad thing if we are among bad people. We unconsciously desire to fit in. If the leaders of our tribe are tattooed, then we must be tattooed as well — we would somehow feel embarrassed and out of step if we were not.

Tattoos are not important. They are among the least of things that we have to be concerned about. There are much more serious and pernicious impulses that have taken hold within our culture. We need to be aware of these impulses, to *observe* them, and to *resist* them. St. Paul says: "Do not be *conformed* to this world, but be *transformed* by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."



CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2022-2023

The Children's Liturgy meetings will continue this following *Sundays, September 25 & October 02*, during the **10:30 am Mass**. All children – *from 6 to 10 years old* – are welcome. Details regarding **First Holy Communion Classes** and for **Confirmation Sessions** will be announced with applications at a later date. Thank you.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2022 – Apr. 2023

Anyone interested in *joining* the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to *deepen your faith*? Perhaps you want to *refresh* your catholic doctrine? Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith. If you or anyone you know are interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us on (416) 757-2806. Email: olfatimasc@archtoronto.org

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS (OLF- Council #16989)



Would like to invite you to join the council in our Parish. Recruitment Drive will start on *Sunday, October 8/9* at all Masses. If the Lord is calling you to be of greater service to the Parish, then please check the Knights of Columbus website and join as an e-member

<https://wwwkcofc.org/secure/en/join/jointhe-knights.html>
<https://ontariokofc.ca/online-membership> or contact our Parish Priest or one of the Parish Knights Grand Knight Frank Grech: 416-424-2111.

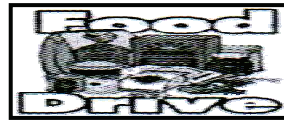
Student Writing Contest 2023 – October 4, 2022 to January 16, 2023

Theme: **“Do good; seek justice” (Isaiah 1:17)**



The celebration of the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** and the Writing Contest in 2023 is inspired by message of *Isaiah 1:17*, **“Do good; seek justice.”** This theme and the resources for its celebration have been prepared with assistance of a group of Christians in Minnesota convened by the Minnesota Council of Churches in the United States. We invite high school Students (ages 13- 19) from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in this annual event. The students are encouraged to consult the resources to explore the theme and address the focus question on the poster. Prizes are awarded to the top three submissions. The resources are available at <https://bit.ly/3AgBy5J>.

St. Vincent de Paul



Thanksgiving Food Drive on the weekends of October 01/02 + 08/09

BUNDLE UP Weekend ... October 29/30

Winter Coats, Boots, Children's & Baby's Clothing, Ladies Wear, Men's Wear, Shoes, Bedding, Drapes, Accessories, etc.



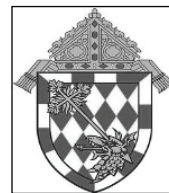
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From the Pastor's Desk

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Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund – Special Collection – October 1/2, 2022



This year's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation will take place on *Friday, September 30, 2022*. Cardinal Collins will preside at the **7:30 a.m. Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** with participation from Indigenous members of the community. All are welcome in person or via livestream at: www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/.

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1/2 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. The fund was the result of a \$30 million financial commitment made by the Canadian Bishops in September 2021. Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for the newly baptized in Christ:

*✠ Serenity Grace Noel-Wilson,
 Alfred Danell Naquila Lamando*

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