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As the leaves turn gold and yellow...

The air turns crisp...

Thanksgiving comes, a time to remember...

*Our blessings and make good cheer
with all those who are so dear.*

*Wishing you a Thanksgiving
as special as you are.*





Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 09

- 9:00 a.m. David Nanlal (I) Thanksgiving People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. +Maria Planting
12:15 p.m. +Arturo Rivera

Monday, October 10

Thanksgiving Day Office & Church Closed all day

Tuesday, October 11

- 8:00 a.m. +Olive Faldas

Wednesday, October 12

- 7:00 p.m. +Mariano Que

Thursday, October 13

- 8:00 a.m. +Joseph Quail

Friday, October 14

- 8:00 a.m. Vilma Balallo (I) Thanksgiving

Saturday, October 15

- 9:00 a.m. +Pilar V. Martin
4:30 p.m. +Arsenio & Natividad Ortega
Installation Mass for Fr. Glass

28th Sunday in OT - October 09, 2022

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call 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

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Serving the Hidden Form of Poverty

1st Reading: Exodus 17.8-13

2nd Reading: 2Timothy 3.14-4.2

Gospel: Luke 18.1-8

The Parable of the Widow and the unjust Judge

Latin Songs can be found on

Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299A, D, E,F &G.)

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Decline and renewal.

The gist of liberalism is well conveyed by a fresco in the refectory of my abbey in Hungary. It shows streams of wine bursting forth from a barrel from which the hoops are falling off. Under the fresco stand the words: libertate perit, "through liberty, it is lost." - Fr. Stanley Jaki.

I recently came across a book on the history of the Discalced Carmelites. The author comments on the sudden decline in vocations that affected nearly all religious orders following the Second Vatican Council. He writes:

The "fresh air" which Pope John XXIII had wanted to let into the Church became a hurricane. The shock of so many changes coming at the same time caused a crisis of faith. Many people in religious life had been putting matters of practice and discipline on the same level as matters of faith and dogma. They therefore became confused and disheartened when they found these external aspects suddenly subject to change.

There is no doubt that the Church entered a period of rapid decline following the Council. Perhaps this was due to the general upheaval in Western culture in the late 1960's, and it would have occurred with or without the Council. Perhaps the apparent robustness of the Church in 1950's and early 60's was an empty facade. Perhaps the Council merely exposed the fact that for many practicing Catholics their religion was, as Thomas Merton noted at the time, "a matter of pure conformism and expediency."

As another author comments:

There is no greater proof of the weakness underlying much of traditional Catholic life than the amazingly quick collapse of the formerly imposing facade of Catholicism after the Council. The faith of countless numbers of the faithful proved unable to withstand the shock. Too many Catholics proved to be not very Catholic, as the confusion of the times led them to abandon the Church.

As I reflect on this, I picture a great medieval Cathedral. This soaring architectural wonder is made possible by the "flying" buttresses which support its relatively thin walls. Take away the buttresses and the Cathedral falls into a pile of rubble. I guess we could say: there is no greater proof of the weakness of the Cathedral than its quick collapse when the buttresses have been removed.

Perhaps the "collapse" of the faith after the Council did not reveal an inherent "weakness." Rather, it revealed that faith needs strong support. The Church exists to provide this support, through the Sacraments, through her customs rituals and devotions. This is the traditional wisdom of the Church. Our faith needs support, just as a Cathedral needs buttresses, or as a wine cask need hoops.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022-2023

Applications for First Holy Communion are available from the school & church office. Kindly call during office hours only. Parents meeting is on *Friday, October 14 at 7:00pm in the church hall. Classes will be begin on Sunday, October 16 during the 10:30 am Mass.*



The Children's Liturgy meetings will continue this *Sundays, October 16, 23, 30* during the 10:30 am Mass. All children – from 6 to 10

years old – are welcome.

Details regarding CONFIRMATION SESSIONS will be announced with applications very soon.

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

St. Vincent de Paul

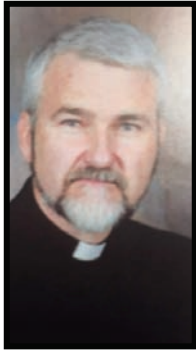
BUNDLE UP Weekend ... October 29/30

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



We count on your support ... God bless

To All parishioners:



Our Lady of Fatima Parish welcomes its **new Pastor – Fr. A. Glass.** His Excellency Bishop V. Nguyen will preside the **Installation Mass of Fr. Glass as Pastor** during the **4:30 pm Mass this Saturday, October 15, 2022.**

Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards & all parishioners, volunteers and friends are cordially invited. Keep our pastor in your prayers.

Ad Multos Annos.

"For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer."

1 Timothy 4:4-5

Mass Attendance Survey 2022

This survey, requested by our Archbishop Cardinal Thomas Collins, is intended to provide an accurate profile of 'Mass Attendance' in our archdiocese. It will be done during all the weekend Masses and over two weekends – *October 15/16 and 22/23* – and it will involve a number of ushers and volunteers doing a 'head count' in every section of the church at the start of the homily. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Thank you for your co-operation in this exercise.

Annual Altar Servers Bishop's Awards

Next *Saturday October 15th* the **Most Rev. Bishop Vincent Nguyen** will preside at the **37th Annual Bishop's Altar Servers Awards Ceremony** at **St. Isaac Joques Parish, Scarborough** 10:00 am. Congratulations to the following altar servers from our parish who will be receiving the award: **Benedict Alegarbes, Mark Antao, Yoel Berhane, Liam Carvalho & Dylan Timaan.**

Congratulations and God bless you and your families.

Interested In a P.A.G. [Pre-Authorized Giving] Plan?

Pick up a flyer with more information about what is the 'pre-authorized giving' plan and how parishioners can participate. Is your personal data as registered in our records updated? Please inform the office (416-757-2806) about any changes in your information new address or new phone number or added members to your household! Thank you for your cooperation. *If you wish to continue supporting the parish financially, you can drop your envelope at the parish office or mail it to us.*



REMINDER THAT ...

There is a second collection - on **October 15/16** for the **Renovation Fund.** Thank you in advance for your kind assistance and support. May God reward abundantly.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



A second collection for the **WORLD MISSIONS** will be done the weekend of **October 22/23.** Please use envelopes from your box of



donation envelopes ... or the ones available at all church entrances. Pray for the Missions and help generously. Also visit www.missionsocieties.ca.

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