

St. John XXIII Parish

150 Gateway Blvd., Don Mills, ON M3C 3E2

Website: <https://stjohn23do.archtoronto.org>

Email: stjohn23do@archtoronto.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM to 3PM



PARISH BULLETIN | 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 13 Aug 2023



“...You of little faith, why did you doubt?....And those in the boat worshipped him, saying “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Matthew 14:30-33

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please introduce yourself and your family to me before or after the mass to welcome you to our parish community.

All parishioners are encouraged to register in our community and participate in the church activities. We are here to support each other and grow in our relationship with God and with our neighbors.

For Registration form, ask anyone of the Ushers or Call the office.

Your Pastor,

Fr. David



Saturday Easter Vigil Mass – 8:00pm

Sunday Mass –9am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 7pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday – 9am

Baptism- every 2nd Saturday & 3rd Sunday of the month. Preparation class is required. Talk to Fr. David after any of the Sunday masses.

Confession every Saturday at 4pm or by appointment.

Confirmation - for Grade 7 & up registration for 2024 is in the months of September and October 2023

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 & up registration for 2024 is on October and November 2023

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment

Parish School-

St. John XXIII Catholic School

175 Grenoble Dr. North York, ON M3C 3E7

Tel. 416-393-5348

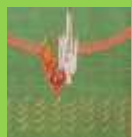
Archdiocese of Toronto-

Tel. 416-934-0606 *www.archtoronto.org

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Pray for us. (Aug 15th)

“On 1 November 1950, Venerable Pope Pius XII proclaimed as Dogma that the Virgin Mary “having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.”



“You of little faith, why did you doubt?”

(Matthew 14:31)

Last Week we celebrated the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, on which Peter, James and John were privileged to witness their Master in Glory. The generosity of their Master went even further, the Disciples were immersed in the Glory itself. This is to say, God, in his generosity, gave the Apostles, the full and definitive experience of the glory of Jesus. Peter, overwhelmed with the Joy in the wonderful experience, exclaimed; “Master it is good that we are here.”

In the Vision, Moses and Elijah were seen; These, two, had been Witnesses to previous experiences of encounters with God.

The first Reading of today, takes us back to the encounter of Elijah with the Lord.

Elijah, the Prophet, run from Jezebel, the wife of King Ahab. After his win against the prophets of Baal; the idol god, Elijah had the priests of Baal killed and this infuriated Jezebel who intended to avenge for her priests. Elijah undertook a Pilgrimage to Mt Horeb, the Mountain of Moses’ theophanies, to lay a compliant before God. His journey became an experience out of this world, leaving the people, cares and needs of this life to a Sacred Place to encounter God.

The encounter was an intriguing experience for Elijah; first and foremost, because God had not appeared to him in the theophanies, that previously manifested his Divine Presence. He was preceded by a Mysterious “Sound of Fine Silence.” Secondly, to Elijah’s desire to resign his Mission in the face of Israel’s infidelity, God responded by naming his successor.

In the Gospel today, Jesus comes among his Disciples walking on the waters. Jesus, unlike Elijah, who had gone to the Mountain, looking for God’s Revelation is “Emanuel,” God among his People. The Disciples, ought to have believed this, or so we think. They thought him a Ghost! Peter, assured that Jesus was the One, still doubted and was afraid, and so he began to sink. “You of little faith,” Jesus rebuked him, “Why did you doubt?”

When, Jesus and Peter got into the Boat, we are told “the wind ceased.” “And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.” Blessed are you because you believe.



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
CHAPTER ONE

38. With what name does God reveal Himself? 203-209; 230-231

God revealed himself to Moses as the living God, “the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob” (Exodus 3:6). God also revealed to Moses his mysterious name “I Am Who I Am (YHWH)”. Already in Old Testament times this ineffable name of God was replaced by the divine title Lord. Thus in the New Testament, Jesus who was called Lord is seen as true God.

39. Is God the only One who “is”? 212-213

Since creatures have received everything they are and have from God, only God in himself is the fullness of being and of every perfection. God is “He who is” without origin and without end. Jesus also reveals that he bears the divine name “I Am” (John 8:28).

40. Why is the revelation of God's name important? 206-213

In revealing his name, God makes known the riches contained in the ineffable mystery of his being. He alone is from everlasting to everlasting. He is the One who transcends the world and history. It is he who made heaven and earth. He is the faithful God, always close to his people, in order to save them. He is the highest holiness, “rich in mercy” (Ephesians 2:4), always ready to forgive. He is the One who is spiritual, transcendent, omnipotent, eternal, personal, and perfect. He is truth and love.

41. In what way is God the truth? 214-217; 231

God is Truth itself and as such he can neither deceive nor be deceived. He is “light, and in him there is no darkness” (1 John 1:5). The eternal Son of God, the incarnation of wisdom, was sent into the world “to bear witness to the Truth” (John 18:37).

42. In what way does God reveal that he is love? 218-221

God revealed himself to Israel as the One who has a stronger love than that of parents for their children or of husbands and wives for their spouses. God in himself “is love” (1 John 4: 8.16), who gives himself completely and gratuitously, who “so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that the world might be saved through him” (John 3:16-17). By sending his Son and the Holy Spirit, God reveals that he himself is an eternal exchange of love.

(to be continued next week) --- Catechism of the Catholic Church -

MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 12 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass –
+ Donna M.

Aug 13 – Sunday 9:00 AM + Magdalena & Tomas Q.
12:15 PM + Milagros C.

5:30 PM The Parishioners

Aug 14–Mon, 10 AM Good health of CWL members
+Emilia S.

Aug 15- Tue, 9 AM The Parishioners

Aug 16–Wed, 7 PM Thanksgiving of Alvin H & Family

Aug 17–Thu, 9 AM +Arcadio & Luz dG.; +Pio D.

Aug 18–Fri, 7 PM Thanksgiving of Mary Ylagan

Aug 19–Sat, 9AM +Fernando P.

7-day Candle –Offering–Aug 12-Aug 18, 2023

Sanctuary--- +Donna M.

Virgin Mary-

Chapel ----- +Donna M.



WORD FOR THE WEEK

ASSUMPTION

the reception of the Virgin Mary body into heaven.

The Assumption of Mary is one of the four dogmas of the Catholic Church. Pope Pius XII defined it on the 1st of November 1950 in his apostolic constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* as follows:

We proclaim and define it to be a dogma revealed by God that the immaculate Mother of God, Mary every virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into glory of heaven.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Assumption_of_Mary

*Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention –August 2023 -
For World Youth Day*

“We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.”



Our Patron Saint..

**“Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams.
Think not about your frustrations, but about your
unfulfilled potential.”**

|QUOTE OF ST. JOHN XXIII

Feast of the Assumption of Mary Aug 15th

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary celebrates her being assumed – taken up body and soul – into heaven at the end of her earthly life. It began as a feast day in the Eastern Church after the Council of Ephesus (431) proclaimed Mary the Mother of God. By the 6th century, the feast celebrated Mary’s Dormition, her ‘falling asleep,’ meaning her death; there are several ancient icons of the Dormition. The Western Church began to celebrate this feast circa 650.

*Living Christ July 2023 edition.***St. John Paul II:**

Our Lady, taken up into the glory of God among the saints is a sure sign of hope for the Church and for all humanity. The glory of the Mother is a cause of immense joy to all her children, a joy that knows the far-reaching resonance of the sentiment that is typical of popular piety, even though it cannot be reduced to it.”

TRIVIA

1. What feast is celebrated every August 15th?
2. Who was the prophet who went to Horeb and spent in the cave, and spent the night there?
3. What did the Lord say to Elija while he was in the mountain?
4. In the first readings what are the 3 things happened while the Lord passed by?
5. The second reading this Sunday is taken from what book?
6. What did Jesus do after feeding the crowd?
7. In the Gospel, who was walking on the sea?
8. Who was the disciple who asked Jesus to command him to come to Him on the Water?
9. Because of the strong wind, Peter was frightened and he cried out, “Lord, save me!”. What did Jesus say to him?
10. When the strong wind ceased, what did the disciples say?



Answer on last week: 1. Transfiguration is in the Luminous Mystery; 2. Peter, James & John; 3. This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!; 4. Moses & Elijah; 5. Daniel; 7. This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!.

PARISH DEVOTIONS**Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion**

-every Saturday before the 9am Mass

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

-before the Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

-Every 1st Friday at 6:00pm communal

Parish Ministries & Programs

- Eucharistic Extraordinary Ministers
- Lectors–Proclaimers of God’s words
- Altar Servers & Sacristans
- Ushers
- Catholic Women’s League
- Intercessory Prayer Group
- Legion of Mary
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Shrine Apostolate Icon of Our Lady
- Seniors Breakfast Club

If you are interested to join, please email us at stjohn23do@archtoronto.org and we will direct you to the person leading these groups.

What unites us, is much greater than what divides us.” St. John XXIII

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **August 20th is Mission Appeal Sunday, speaker from Nigeria will concelebrate in all the weekend masses;**
- **August 16th, 2023 there will be Masses in every Catholic Cemeteries around the Archdiocese of Toronto, call the cemetery for the time;**