

# St. John XXIII Parish

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## PARISH BULLETIN | 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time | 20 Aug 2023



**FAITH IN GOD**

“...Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.”

Matthew 15:28



### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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-**

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**ST. PIUS X (Aug 21<sup>st</sup>)**

**Pray for us.**

**“Where is the road which leads us to Jesus Christ? It is before our eyes: it is the Church.”** Pope Pius X



## MISSIONARY APPEAL SUNDAY 2023

This weekend we celebrate Missionary Appeal Sunday and we welcome Rev Fr. Paul Awowole in our midst. Fr. Paul appeals for the Diocese of Osogbo in Nigeria. Let us welcome him, wholeheartedly, and be generous in assistance of the needs of our brothers and sisters in Osogbo Diocese.

This day as we receive the Missionary, we are reminded of Our Vocation and Commissioning as disciples of Christ. As Christians and by virtue of our Baptism, we are Missionaries who have been called and commissioned to go and make disciples of all the Nations. ***“All authority in heaven and on Earth has been given to me, GO therefore, make Disciples of all nations; baptize them in Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teach them to observe the commands I gave you. And Look, I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Mt. 28: 19 & 20.***

In St. John’s Gospel, and on Easter Day, we read, that when the Resurrected Jesus appeared to his Disciples, he created a New People of God, by breathing into them the Holy Spirit. He said to them ***“Receive the Holy Spirit, ... As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”***

Our Mission is at the core of our being Christians. The Mission is urgent. This is what we read in the “Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church;” ***“In our times, the human family awaits redemption and true freedom. Violence, poverty, discrimination, and injustice plague our World, St Paul understood well that only in Christ can humanity find redemption and hope. The Mission, therefore, to proclaim the Promise of Life in Christ Jesus is urgent.”***

We are instruments of Christ’s hope in our World. The Mission may be overwhelming but we are constantly nourished by the Word of God and the Eucharist, from which we derive of the Power of God and are strengthened in our Pilgrimage through Life.

How then, can we respond to this great Mission, to proclaim Jesus, the fullness of God’s revelation and the salvation of all people? We can by:

***Physically going to the Mission in Person;*** To evangelize the World there is need of Apostles, who are experts in the celebration, adoration, and contemplation of Jesus; Emanuel, God among his People.

***Material Support;*** Today, we support the Diocese of Osogbo through our Diocesan Society of Propagation of Faith.

***Insistent Prayer;*** Insist with the Lord of the Harvest to send abundant laborers to his harvest.

**“GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER.”** 2Corinthians 9:7



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPTER ONE

*I Believe in God the Father*

**43. What does it mean to believe in only one God?** 222-227; 229

To believe in the one and only God involves coming to know his greatness and majesty. It involves living in thanksgiving and trusting always in him, even in adversity. It involves knowing the unity and true dignity of all human beings, created in his image. It involves making good use of the things which he has created.

**44. What is the central mystery of Christian faith and life?** 232-237

The central mystery of Christian faith and life is the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity. Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**45. Why is the revelation of God's name important?** 237

God has left some traces of his trinitarian being in creation and in the Old Testament but his inmost being as the Holy Trinity is a mystery which is inaccessible to reason alone or even to Israel's faith before the Incarnation of the Son of God and the sending of the Holy Spirit. This mystery was revealed by Jesus Christ and it is the source of all the other mysteries.

**46. What did Jesus Christ reveal to us about the mystery of the Father?** 240-242

Jesus Christ revealed to us that God is "Father", not only insofar as he created the universe and the mankind, but above all because he eternally generated in his bosom the Son who is his Word, "the radiance of the glory of God and the very stamp of his nature" (Hebrews 1:3).

**47. Who is the Holy Spirit revealed to us by Jesus Christ?** 243-248

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Most Blessed Trinity. He is God, one and equal with the Father and the Son. He "proceeds from the Father" (John 15:26) who is the principle without a principle and the origin of all trinitarian life. He proceeds also from the Son (Filioque) by the eternal Gift which the Father makes of him to the Son. Sent by the Father and the Incarnate Son, the Holy Spirit guides the Church "to know all truth" (John 16:13).

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 19 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass –

The Parishioners

Aug 20 – Sunday 9:00 AM + Luisa E.

12:15 PM + Randy & +Edward G.

5:30 PM +Evelyn A. +Shirley

&+Abelardo B.

Aug 21–Mon, 7 PM + Edwin M.

Aug 22- Tue, 9 AM + Benjie R.

Aug 23–Wed,7 PM Thanksgiving of Hernandez fam

Aug 24–Thu, 9 AM + Nelson D.

Aug 25–Fri, 7 PM For all Souls in Purgatory

Aug 26–Sat, 9AM Thanksgiving–B-day of Olivia B.

7-day Candle –Offering–Aug 19-25, 2023

Sanctuary---

Virgin Mary-

Chapel -----



WORD FOR THE WEEK

FAITH

is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. (Heb. 11:1)

Hope is mentioned as a virtue because we should always desire for justice, peace, everlasting life, etc ... You can't have faith until you first have hope.

Another area they differ is that hope tends to more generic, e.g. I hope there's life after death. Faith fills in the specifics: there's hosts of angels and saints in heaven giving glory to God. Its in this sense that the Epistle to the Hebrews is addressing.

<https://www.catholic.com/qa/what-is-faith>

*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..**

**“The major interest of the ecumenical council is this: that the sacred heritage of Christian truth be safeguarded and expounded with greater efficacy.”**

QUOTE OF ST. JOHN XXIII

### St Pius X Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

Giuseppe Sarto was born in Riese, Italy, in 1835. His mother was a seamstress and his father a parish clerk who died when Giuseppe was 16, leaving the family in financial straits. His mother insisted that the boy continue his education and fulfill his desire to become a priest. Ordained at 23, he was involved in pastoral ministry for 17 years. He became a bishop in 1884, a cardinal in 1892 and was elected pope in 1903. He died in 1914 soon after the outbreak of World War I.

His recommendations and encyclicals reflect his pastoral background: he advocated frequent communion for adults, sacramental preparation for children and instruction in catechism for everyone. In his concern for the Church in a rapidly changing world, he issued a decree against writers holding modernist ideas in philosophy and theology and wrote an encyclical condemning modernism in all its manifestations. He was canonized in 1954.

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### TRIVIA

1. From what book the first reading was taken?
2. What did the Lord say about justice and doing right to Isaiah?
3. What did the Lord say to Elijah while he was in the mountain?
4. In the first readings, what did the Lord's house called?
5. The second reading this Sunday is taken from what letter and to whom it was addressed?
6. Who was speaking to the Romans?
7. In the Gospel, who said "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon."?
8. What did the woman says when her request was rejected by Jesus?
9. Then, what was Jesus responded to her?
10. What happened to the daughter of the woman at the end of the gospel? †

**Answer on last week:** 1. Feast of the Assumption of Mary in Heaven; 2. Elijah; 3. The Lord said "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."; 4. There was a great wind, an earthquake, then a fire; 5. From the letter to the Romans; 6. Jesus went up the mountain by himself to pray; 7. Jesus; 8. Peter; 9. You of little faith, why did you doubt; 10. "Truly you are the Son of God."

### 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](mailto: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 20<sup>th</sup> is Mission Appeal Sunday; speaker is from Nigeria & will speak in all the weekend masses;
- If you would like to become a lector or a Eucharistic minister, please approach Fr. David after the mass.