

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 17 Sep 2023

“Lord, how often should I forgive my brother or sister if they sin against me? As many as seven times? Jesus said to him, *“Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.”*”

Matthew 18:21



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

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SAINT JANUARIUS (Sep 19th)

Pray for us.

He is the principal patron of Naples, Italy,



“So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.” (Mathew 18:35)

Today’s first and Gospel reading emphasize on the virtue of Forgiveness!

The words from the book of Sirach were known to his people!

“The Vengeful will suffer the Lord’s vengeance, for he remembers their sins in details! ... Forgive your neighbor’s injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven!” “Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord?”

“Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, and seek pardon for his own sins?”

In the Gospel, St. Peter the Apostle thought himself over generous, by going the furthest the spirituality of his time had advised!

Jesus teaches Peter, that forgiveness should be go “beyond the generosity of the Law.” For we are sons and daughters of He who is *“kind and merciful, slow to anger and rich in compassion!”*

The measure of generosity to forgive, therefore should be no other than God, Our Creator and Heavenly Father; ***“So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart!”***

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***“The Lord is merciful and gracious;
slow to anger, and abounding in
steadfast love.”*** Psalm 103



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPTER ONE

I Believe in God the Father

64. What kind of bond exists between created things? 342-354

There exist an interdependence and a hierarchy among creatures as willed by God. At the same time, there is also a unity and solidarity among creatures since all have the same Creator, are loved by him and are ordered to his glory. Respecting the laws inscribed in creation and the relations which derive from the nature of things is, therefore, a principle of wisdom and a foundation for morality.

65. What is the relationship between the work of creation and the work of redemption? 345-349

The work of creation culminates in the still greater work of redemption, which in fact gives rise to a new creation in which everything will recover its true meaning and fulfillment.

Man

66. Who are the angels? 355-357

The human person is created in the image of God in the sense that he or she is capable of knowing and of loving their Creator in freedom. Human beings are the only creatures on earth that God has willed for their own sake and has called to share, through knowledge and love, in his own divine life. All human beings, in as much as they are created in the image of God, have the dignity of a person. A person is not something but someone, capable of self-knowledge and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with God and with other persons.

67. For what purpose did God create man and woman? 358-359, 380-81

God has created everything for them; but he has created them to know, serve and love God, to offer all of creation in this world in thanksgiving back to him and to be raised up to life with him in heaven. Only in the mystery of the incarnate Word does the mystery of the human person come into true light. Man and woman are predestined to reproduce the image of the Son of God made Man, who is the perfect "image of the invisible God" (Colossians 1:15).

68. Why does the human race form a unity? 360-361

All people form the unity of the human race by reason of the common origin which they have from God. God has made "from one ancestor all the nations of men" (Acts 17:26). All have but one Savior and are called to share in the eternal happiness of God.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sep 16 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass –

The Parishioners

Sep 17 – Sunday 9:00 AM + Fe Isabelita dela C.

12:15 PM Deceased members of

Alzate family

5:30 PM + Efren R.

Sep 18 – Mon, 7PM +Dena W.

Sep 19 - Tue, 9 AM +Samuel L.

Sep 20 –Wed, 7 PM Thanksgiving of Mina J.

Sep 21 –Thu, 9 AM For Good Health Fernandez Fam

Sep 22– Fri, 7 PM +Josefina C.

Sep 23–Sat, 9 AM For enlightenment of Sonia D.

7-day Candle –Offering–Sep 16-22, 2023

Sanctuary--- Healing of Chary S.

Virgin Mary- Thanksgiving of Mary Ylagan

Chapel -----



WORD OF THE WEEK

PENANCE

-is a virtue and a sacrament in the Catholic Church. It involves the hatred of one's sin as an offense against God and the intention to amend and make satisfaction.

The sacrament of penance is also called reconciliation or confession in which the faithful are absolved from sins committed after baptism and reconciled with the Christian community.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention –September 2023 - FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE MARGINS

“We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.”



Our Patron Saint.



“If God created shadows, it was to better emphasize the light.”

QUOTE OF ST. JOHN XXIII

St Januarius *Sep 19th*

Little is known about the life or martyrdom of Saint Januarius. His fame is centered on a relic, said to contain his blood, which is kept in the cathedral at Naples. Early devotion to the saint was based on the belief that Januarius, an Italian bishop, lived in the 4th century and was martyred during the Diocletian persecution, but the records are not reliable.

Since the 15th century, the flask containing the blood has attracted attention. Eighteen times a year, the solid mass in the vial becomes liquefied, sometimes seeming to bubble and froth. The relic is an object of devotion and the activity is said to be miraculous. No natural explanation has been found for this phenomenon.

Living Christ Sep 2023 edition.

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
- 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

Archbishop Leo invites you:

- to join ShareLife’s fight against hunger

“It is heart-wrenching and unacceptable that anyone today lacks access to food which is a most basic human right,” shares Archbishop Francis Leo. “Our parishioners are taking action in response to the Lord’s call to feed the hungry. Since the earliest days of the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the faithful have cared for those in need, on the margins of society and we continue this life-giving legacy.”

Please support the fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for reaching out with the hands of Christ to feed the hungry.

- to pray the Novena to St. Michael the Archangel starting on September 20th in preparation for the feast day on September 29th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Everyone is invited on September 29th the feast day of St. Michael at the St. Michael’s Cathedral;**
- *Registration for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation is ongoing, please get a registration form after the Sunday Mass.*

Answer on last week: 1. St. Michael the Archangel; 2. Archbishop Ivan Jurkovic; 3. Mongolia; 4. Pallium symbolizes the participation in papal authority and is bestowed by the pope on archbishops and bishops having metropolitan jurisdiction; 5. Archbishop Francis Leo; 6. Ezekiel; 7. Love your neighbor as yourself; 8. In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, and instructing the message of reconciliation to us; 9. Go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone.; 10. “For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”