

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 13 July 2025

JESUS asked: *“Which of these three (Priest, Levite & Samaritan), do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?”*

The Lawyer said, *“The one who showed him mercy.”*

JESUS said to him: *“Go and do likewise.”*

Luke 10.37

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 Vigil Mass – 5:15pm

Sunday Mass – 9am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 7pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday – 9am

Baptism – every Saturday 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 2025 is in the months of September and October 2025

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 & up
registration for 2025 is in the months of October and November 2025

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment

Parish School-

St. John XXIII Catholic School

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St. Camillus de Lellis July 14th

Pray for us.

“I don’t put a penny’s value on this life if only our Lord will give me a tiny corner in Paradise.”



“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” Matthew 22:37-40

“Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal Life?”

A Lawyer in the Gospel today asks a very fundamental human question; He expresses the concern that worries many, about human wellbeing after this earthly life.

Luke, the Evangelist, however, expressed that the Lawyer, a master in the Word of God as written in the Law, asked this question to Jesus in order to test him.

Being a Scripture scholar himself, the lawyer knew how the Bible answered his question, but he wanted to see what this prophet from Galilee, would say.

Jesus initial response referred the lawyer simply to the Scripture, which he, lawyer, knew quite well; ***“What is written in the Law?” “How do you read it?”***

The Scribe gave his answer by combining Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18, and was right on target: ***“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”***

Jesus’ teaching on this question is no different from that of the Torah, the entire meaning of which is contained in this double commandment. So, Jesus answered the Scribe; ***“You have answered correctly, do this and you will live.”*** But the learned man, had to justify himself. ***“And who is my neighbor?”*** He asked Jesus.

The Lawyer knew what this meant, ***“A fellow countrymen; a member of one’s people.”*** But if this were so, what about the many foreigners that were among them? Were they to be loved as neighbors too?

Jesus answered his question with a Parable of a man on the way from Jerusalem to Jericho, whom robbers beat and stripped off everything, leaving him for dead on the roadside. A Priest and Levite, claimed experts in the Law and its practice, who knew about salvation and were its professed spiritual servants, came along, but passed by without stopping, to help one of their own, stripped and apparently dead; ***“For fear of becoming defiled!”*** (Jerome. p. 702.)

A Samaritan, someone, who Christ’s Jewish listeners would have despised and hated, leave alone considering to be a neighbor, stopped and generously helped the wounded. Seeing the wounded in such a dire state, we read, ***“He was moved with compassion.” “His heart was wretched open.”*** And he, himself, felt compelled to act and acted perfectly a neighbor, to the assaulted.

Jesus then asked the Scribe; ***“Which of the three in your opinion was neighbor to the robbers’ Victim?”*** To which the lawyer answered, ***“The One who treated him with mercy.”*** Notice that the lawyer would not bring himself to say “the Samaritan.”

The Samaritan, the foreigner, heedless of any question of enmity, social, cultural or religious bias or dangers, made himself the neighbor. Pope Benedict, in his book Jesus of Nazareth, raises the understanding of this Parable a notch higher; He explains, the road from Jerusalem to Jericho as an Image of Human history; and the half-dead man lying by the side of it as image of Humanity (P. 200)

Human Beings after the fall of Adam and Eve lay alienated, estranged and helpless by the roadside of history, needing God’s redeeming Love. God himself became Man’s Neighbor in Christ Jesus, so that healed in Love, we could ourselves become neighbors to one another.



CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPTER TWO

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

Jesus said to his disciples: "Love one another even as I have loved you."¹

2196 In response to the question about the first of the commandments, Jesus says: "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' the second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."²

The apostle St. Paul reminds us of this: "He who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. the commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,' and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law."³

2212 The fourth commandment illuminates other relationships in society. In our brothers and sisters, we see the children of our parents; in our cousins, the descendants of our ancestors; in our fellow citizens, the children of our country; in the baptized, the children of our mother the Church; in every human person, a son or daughter of the One who wants to be called "our Father." In this way our relationships with our neighbors are recognized as personal in character. the neighbor is not a "unit" in the human collective; he is "someone" who by his known origins deserves particular attention and respect.

Click to read more ----- [Catechism of the Catholic Church - IntraText](#)

MASS INTENTIONS

Jul 12, 5:15PM Vigil Mass

+Annette & Dennis C.

Jul 13 -Sun- 9:00AM + Nida Donado

12:15PM + The Parishioners

5:30 PM + Saturnina Laguatan

Jul 14-Mon,7:00 PM Wed Anniv Leah & Julius

Jul 15-Tue,9:00PM + Nida Donado

+ Dennis Edquiban

Jul 16-Wed 7:00PM Thanksgiving-Kaitleen France

Jul 17-Thu,9:00PM + Consolacion Muza

Jul 18-Fri,7:00PM + Shanti Joseph

Jul 19 -Sat,9:00am + Paz Lopez Salgado

+ Perfecto Edquiban

7-day Vigil Lamp Intention July 12 – 18, 2025

Sanctuary--- Thanksgiving of Cora deVilla

Virgin Mary- Thanksgiving of Cora deVilla

WORD OF THE WEEK

NEIGHBOR

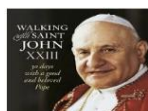
-is anyone in need of help as described in the parable of the Good Samaritan.

In the Catholic catechism, the concept of neighbor is emphasized. (CCC 2196, 2212). St. Paul also emphasizes loving one's neighbor as oneself.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for the month of July 2025

"Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel."





"Never hesitate to hold out your hand; never hesitate to accept the outstretched hand of another." St. John XXIII

St. Camillus de Lellis Jul 14th

Born in Abruzzi in central Italy, Camillus (1550-1614) became a Venetian soldier like his father. When his father died, Camillus pursued his mania for gambling and lost everything; he ended up working at a Capuchin friary. Because of a diseased leg, he was unable to join that order, but found his vocation in caring for the sick. The conditions in hospitals in the 16th century were horrific and Camillus resolved to establish an order to care for the sick and dying. Ordained, he founded the nursing congregation of the Ministers of the Sick, the Camillians. Despite his own poor health, he served as general of this order, built hospitals and ministered to soldiers on the battlefield. Canonized in 1746, he is a patron of nurses and of the sick.

Living with Christ, July 2025 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

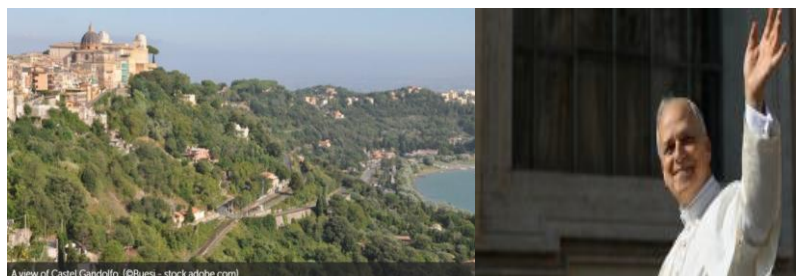
Parish Ministries & Programs

- Eucharistic Extraordinary Ministers
- Lectors—Proclaimers of God's words
- Altar Servers & Sacristans
- Ushers
- Catholic Women's League
- Intercessory Prayer Group
- Legion of Mary
- Icon of Our Lady
- 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

IN THE NEWS !!!



A view of Castel Gandolfo (©Bues - stock.adobe.com)

History and art of Pope's summer residence in Castel Gandolfo

To read more, click this link >>> [History and art of Pope's summer residence in Castel Gandolfo - Vatican News](#)



POPE LEO XIV'S MESSAGE AND MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Tuesday, July 08, 2025



FRANK CARDINAL LEO APPOINTED AS MEMBER TO VATICAN'S DICASTERY FOR INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE

Thursday, July 03, 2025



FRANK CARDINAL LEO'S MESSAGE FOR CANADA DAY

Friday, June 27, 2025

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/>

****click the link above to read the full text of the news****



Announcements!!!

✚ CWL is a catholic organization in our Parish and if you are interested to join you can contact their President Cora de Villa or any of its members;

✚ Join us in our Parish Pilgrimage to the Martyrs Shrine at Midland, Ontario, save your seat. Please stand by for the details;

✚ As baptized Catholic, we encourage you to share your faith to your family, friends and neighbor, invite them to come to church and be part of our Christian family.





JUBILEE 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

Pilgrimage Churches *identified*

holy places of worship in each of the major regions of the archdiocese to serve as pilgrimage destinations during the Jubilee Year.

Archdiocesan- St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto

Central Regions Basilica, Toronto

- St. Mary's Parish, Toronto (Bathurst St)
- St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York

Western Region

- Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke
- St. Mary's Parish, Brampton

Easter Region

- St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
- St. Gregory the Great Parish, Oshawa

Northern Region

- St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg
- St. Mary's Parish, Barrie

Shrines - Martyrs' Shrine, Midland

Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine

Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine

Sunday, August 24, 2025

16163 Highway 12 West, Midland, Ontario

During this Jubilee Year, join us for a pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine, a national holy and historic space honouring the lives of the Canadian Martyrs.

Program

- **9:00 – 10:45 a.m.** Arrival and personal time to explore and discover the grounds; Sacrament of Reconciliation offered
- **11:00 a.m.** Holy Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto
- **12:30 p.m.** Lunch (you are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch – limited catering available onsite)
- **1:30 p.m.** Rosary Procession
- **2:00 p.m.** Eucharistic Adoration
- **2:45 p.m.** Benediction
- **3:00 p.m.** Fellowship and departure at leisure



THE JUBILEE PRAYER

*Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ,
our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our
hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the
seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and
the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven
and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever. Amen*

Francis

Entrance Fee (payable on arrival)

- **Adults:** \$10 / **Youth (0-18):** Free / **Bus:** \$200*

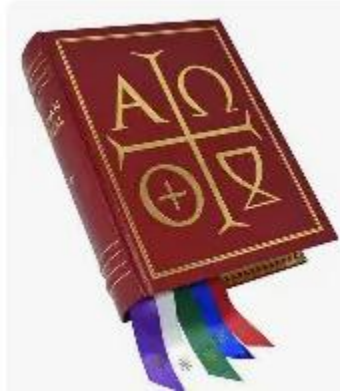
*Bus admissions are charged as a flat rate and exclude complimentary admissions

To Register: Click the link below-

[Archdiocesan of Toronto – Jubilee Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine Survey](#)



OUR FAITH



Roman Missal

What is the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM)?

The [General Instruction of the Roman Missal \(GIRM\)](#) is the detailed document governing the celebration of Mass of the ordinary form of the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church.

The General Instruction is arranged in nine chapters, preceded by a preamble. The chapter headings are:

1. The Importance and Dignity of the Eucharistic Celebration
2. The Structure of the Mass, Its Elements and Its Parts
3. The Duties and Ministries in the Mass
4. The Different Forms of Celebrating Mass
5. The Arrangement and Furnishing of Churches for the Celebration of the Eucharist
6. The Requisites for the Celebration of Mass
7. The Choice of the Mass and Its Parts
8. Masses and Prayers for Various Circumstances and Masses for the Dead
9. Adaptations within the Competence of Bishops and Bishops' Conferences

To read more click this link [Archdiocese of Toronto - Beliefs & Teaching - Home](#)

