

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 06 SEP 2026



Jesus said to them:

“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

Matthew 18.19

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. Allan



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.**

Allan after any of the Sunday masses.

Confession every Saturday at 4pm or by appointment.

Confirmation – for Grade 7 & up
registration for 2026 is in the months of
August and September 2026

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 &
up registration for 2026 is the months of
August and September 2026

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment
Parish School-

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Blessed Andre Grasset

Sep. 2nd

**“I am not afraid of death, for I
know that I shall see my God.”**



O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts! *Psalm 95*

First Reading (Ezekiel 33.7-9)

Thus says the Lord: “So you, O son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. “If I say to the wicked, ‘O wicked one, you shall surely die,’ and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked person shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand.

“But if you warn the wicked person to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, they shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.”

Second Reading (Romans 13.8-10)

Brothers and Sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbour as yourself.”

Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Gospel according to Matthew 18.15-20

Jesus spoke to his disciples. “If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If he or she listens to you, you have regained your brother or sister. But if the person does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the Church; and if that person refuses to listen even to the Church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

I Believe in God the Father

The Symbols of Faith

Cont...

52. Who created the world? 290-292, 316

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are the one and indivisible principle of creation even though the work of creating the world is particularly attributed to God the Father.

53. Why was the world created? 293-294, 319

The world was created for the glory of God who wished to show forth and communicate his goodness, truth and beauty. The ultimate end of creation is that God, in Christ, might be “all in all” (1 Corinthians 15:28) for his glory and for our happiness.

"The glory of God is man fully alive; moreover, man's life is the vision of God." (Saint Irenaeus)

54. How did God create the universe? 295-301, 317-320

God created the universe freely with wisdom and love. The world is not the result of any necessity, nor of blind fate, nor of chance. God created “out of nothing” (*ex nihilo*) (2 Maccabees 7:28) a world which is ordered and good and which he infinitely transcends. God preserves his creation in being and sustains it, giving it the capacity to act and leading it toward its fulfillment through his Son and the Holy Spirit.

55. What is divine providence? 302-306, 321

Divine Providence consists in the dispositions with which God leads his creatures toward their ultimate end. God is the sovereign Master of his own plan. To carry it out, however, he also makes use of the cooperation of his creatures. For God grants his creatures the dignity of acting on their own and of being causes for each other.

56. How do we collaborate with divine Providence? 307-308, 323

While respecting our freedom, God asks us to cooperate with him and gives us the ability to do so through actions, prayers and sufferings, thus awakening in us the desire “to will and to work for his good pleasure” (*Philippians* 2:13).

57. If God is omnipotent and provident, why then does evil exist? 309-310, 324, 400

To this question, as painful and mysterious as it is, only the *whole* of Christian faith can constitute a response. God is not in any way - directly or indirectly - the cause of evil. He illuminates the mystery of evil in his Son Jesus Christ who died and rose in order to vanquish that great moral evil, human sin, which is at the root of all other evils.

To read more click this link [Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sep 05, 5:15PM **Vigil Mass**

Healing of Ermina Catolico + Magdalena Petrasanta

Sep 06- **SUNDAY** 9:00 AM + The Parishioners

12:15 PM + Monica B. de Villa

5:30 PM Good Health of Nigar J.

Sep 07, Mon, 10:00M + Ruperto Frilles

Sep 08, Tues, 9:00AM + Stephen Joseph

Good health of Sixto & Laurie Figueiredo

Sep 09, Wed, 7:00PM + Glicerio delos Santos

+ Efil Adlie Fernandes

Sep 10, Thu, 9:00AM + Nelly Garcia

Sep 11, Fri, 7:00PMThanksgiving- Teodoro Quebrata

Sep 12, Sat, 9:00AM + Nenita Salvador

7-day Vigil Lamp – September 05-11, 2026

Sanctuary--- + Isagani Ayala

Virgin Mary- + Eugenia Porte

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WORDS OF THE WEEK

“COMMANDMENTS”

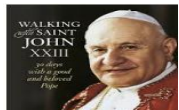
The commandments are laws of love, guiding Catholics to live in harmony with God and others. They provide moral boundaries that allow human freedom to flourish, helping believers cultivate virtue, avoid sin, and grow in holiness. Living by the commandments is a call to **love God above all things and to love one's neighbor as oneself**, forming the foundation of Christian ethical life.

By understanding and practicing the commandments, Catholics are invited to **experience peace, justice, and authentic virtue**, while deepening their relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, moral choices, and the Sacraments. <https://covenantcatholic.org>

Pope's Prayer Intention-SEPTEMBER 2026- For the care of water

**Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource,
so that everyone may have equal access to it.**

Our Patron Saint...



"The family is based upon a marriage which is one and indissoluble and, with respect to Christians, raised to the dignity of a sacrament." John XXIII

Blessed Andre Grasset Sep 2nd

Blessed Andre Grasset was born in Montreal in 1758. His family had come to Quebec in 1749, but they returned to France after the Battle of Quebec. Ordained a priest, Andre' was serving at the cathedral in Sens when the French Revolution began. Refusing to sign the Civil Constitution of the Clergy, he and many other priests and religious were imprisoned in 1792 and martyred. As one of a group of 190 martyred. As one of a group of 190 martyrs, Andre was beatified in 1926. The following year a college in his name was opened in Montreal.

(Living with Christ Sep 2026 ed.)

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 !!!



Pope to Oxford's Oriel College: Seek truth, promote integral anthropology

To read more, click this link >>> [Pope to Oxford's Oriel College: Seek truth, promote integral anthropology - Vatican News](https://www.vaticannews.va/en/world/2026-09/pope-to-oxford-s-oriel-college-seek-truth-promote-integral-anthropology)



ARCHDIOCESE TO SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN RELIEF IN NEPAL AND COLOMBIA

Tuesday, September 01, 2026



ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY CELEBRATES HISTORIC INAUGURATION OF ECCLESIASTICAL FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

Tuesday, September 01, 2026



REJOICING IN THE EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF TIMMINS BISHOP ROCH MARTIN

Friday, August 28, 2026

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

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



Announcements!!!

- ✠ Registration for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation is on going. Registration forms are available at the parish office;
- ✠ September 7th Labour Day, the Mass is at 10AM and no evening Mass;
- ✠ September 8th – Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Mass is at 9am;
- ✠ September 10th – Seniors Breakfast after the 9AM Mass;



≈ Did you know??? ≈

The ORDER OF MASS *(continuation)*

Q&A on the MASS

358. What is a sacrifice?

A sacrifice is the offering of a victim by a priest to God alone, and the destruction of it in some way to acknowledge that He is the Creator of all things.

- (a) By his very nature man wants to adore and thank his Creator. Men mistaken at times about the nature of the true God have offered false worship; but they have always recognized the obligation of adoring the Supreme Being. As far back as the history of man is recorded, there is evidence that men acknowledged their dependence on the Supreme Being by offering sacrifices to Him.
- (b) Before the coming of Christ, sacrifices were offered to God in many different ways. The patriarchs and Jewish priests at the command of God offered fruits, wine, or animals as victims. Cain, for example, offered fruits; Abel offered some sheep of his flock; Melchisedech offered bread and wine. The destruction of these offerings removed them from man's use and thereby signified that God is the Supreme Lord and Master of the entire created universe and that man is wholly dependent upon Him for everything. Sacrifice, therefore, is the most perfect way for man to worship God.
- (c) All these different sacrifices of the Old Law were only figures of the sacrifice which Christ was to make of Himself. His offering of Himself on the cross was the greatest sacrifice ever offered to God. All the sacrifices of the Old Law derived their efficacy, or value, from the sacrifice which Christ was to offer on the cross.

To be continued.....

To read more click the link below: [Q&A on the Mass | EWTN](#)

Pope Francis

*Angelus, St. Peter's Sq,
Sunday, 06 September 2020*

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

This **Sunday's Gospel passage (cf. Mt 18:15-20)** is taken from Jesus' fourth discourse in Matthew's account, known as the discourse on the 'community' or the 'ecclesial' discourse. Today's passage speaks about *fraternal correction*, and invites us to reflect on the twofold dimension of Christian existence: community, which demands *safeguarding communion* — that is, the unity of the Church — and personal, which obliges attention and *respect for every individual conscience*.

To correct a brother who has made a mistake, Jesus suggests a pedagogy of rehabilitation. And Jesus' pedagogy is always a pedagogy of rehabilitation. He always tries to rehabilitate, to save. And this pedagogy of rehabilitation is articulated in three passages. In the first place he says: "tell him his fault, between you and him alone" (v. 15), that is, do not air his sin in public. It is about going to your brother with discretion, not to judge him but to help him realize what he has done. How many times have we had this experience: someone comes and tells us: 'But listen, you were mistaken about this. You should change a little in this regard'. Perhaps in the beginning we get angry, but then we say 'thank you', because it is a gesture of brotherhood, of communion, of help, of rehabilitation.

And it is not easy to put this teaching of Jesus into practice, for various reasons. There is the fear that the brother or sister may react badly; at times you may lack sufficient confidence with him or with her. And other reasons. But every time we have done this, we have felt it was precisely the way of the Lord.

Click this link to read more- [Angelus, 6 September 2020](#)