

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 08 Sep 2024

Jesus proclaimed
the good news of
the kingdom and
cured every
sickness among
the people.

Matthew 4.23

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 2024

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 &

up registration for 2025 is on October and November 2024

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment

Parish School-

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St. Peter Claver Sep 9th

Pray for us.

“To do the will of God, man must despise his own; the more he dies to himself, the more he will live to God.”



“Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; With divine recompense he comes to save you.” Is 35:4

If there is a moment that our World needs to hear these words, it is now! Amid the pressures and worries, the anxieties and pains, injustices and wars, poverty and exploitation, that the people are going through, there has never been a greater need of God’s consolation and assurance.

Isaiah, the Prophet, from whom the 1st reading of this Sunday is taken was called to be the mouthpiece of God. Although he had very strong words of condemnation against a people who had forgotten the Lord their God, who had done all for them, he was an instrument of God’s consolation to a people who really did not deserve it; ***“Say to those whose hearts are frightened” “Here is your God, He comes with vindication, with divine recompense he comes to save you,”*** Isaiah uplifts his people.

These Words of Isaiah, came to an extraordinary fulfillment, hundreds of years after, with the coming of Jesus; He who is the Creator of all, God, came in the Person of Christ Jesus and lived among his people.

In the Gospel reading, this Sunday, Jesus is seen as the fulfillment of the Words, we recited in the responsorial psalm; ***“Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.”***

In the Gospel, Jesus is witnessed as the true consoler of the Father; ***“Ephphatha” “be opened,” “and immediately the man’s ears were opened, and his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly!”*** Jesus has the power to restore us to wholeness! Jesus has power to restore us to fullness of life! What is interesting also, is, where the miracle takes place; in the District of Decapolis. Mark, the Evangelist describes the tour of Jesus as from the District of Tyre and Sidon to the district of Decapolis avoiding Galilee, his home district. This is a tour through the Gentile districts.

In the Miracle, Jesus does another, among the pagans; the 1st having been, the curing of the daughter of the Syro-Phoenician woman. Despite Christ’s resistance that he was sent to the people of Israel; The woman’s insistence in Faith, gave her, not only her child’s healing but a great praise of Christ for her Faith; ***“Woman great is your faith!”***

In the healing of the deaf and dumb man, the people who brought him, we are told “Were astounded beyond measure.” They were touched to the core and exclaimed; ***“He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”***

Jesus is our consolation and hope. With this man, dumb and deaf, He revealed the extent to which, he is willing to go. Jesus engaged the man, spending time with him and using physical touch, as part of the healing process. The Miracle is another incident that prefigures the gradual inclusion of the Gentiles in the concern of Jesus. They too, are in saving mission of Christ.



CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

313. How was sickness viewed in the Old Testament? 1499-1502

In the Old Testament sickness was experienced as a sign of weakness and at the same time perceived as mysteriously bound up with sin. The prophets intuited that sickness could also have a redemptive value for one's own sins and those of others. Thus, sickness was lived out in the presence of God from whom people implored healing.

314. What is the significance of Jesus' compassion for the sick? 1503-1505

The compassion of Jesus toward the sick and his many healings of the infirm were a clear sign that with him had come the Kingdom of God and therefore victory over sin, over suffering, and over death. By his own passion and death he gave new meaning to our suffering which, when united with his own, can become a means of purification and of salvation for us and for others.

315. What is the attitude of the Church toward the sick? 1506-

1513, 1526-1527- Having received from the Lord the charge to heal the sick, the Church strives to carry it out by taking care of the sick and accompanying them with her prayer of intercession. Above all, the Church possesses a sacrament specifically intended for the benefit of the sick. This sacrament was instituted by Christ and is attested by Saint James: "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call in the presbyters of the Church and let them pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord" (James 5:14-15).

316. Who can receive the sacrament of the anointing of the sick? 1514-1515, 1528-1529

Any member of the faithful can receive this sacrament as soon as he or she begins to be in danger of death because of sickness or old age. The faithful who receive this sacrament can receive it several times if their illness becomes worse or another serious sickness afflicts them. The celebration of this sacrament should, if possible, be preceded by individual confession on the part of the sick person.

317. Who administers this sacrament? 1516-1530

This sacrament can be administered only by priests (bishops or presbyters).

320. What is Viaticum? 1524-1525

Viaticum is the Holy Eucharist received by those who are about to leave this earthly life and are preparing for the journey to eternal life. Communion in the body and blood of Christ who died and rose from the dead, received at the moment of passing from this world to the Father, is the seed of eternal life and the power of the resurrection.

(to be continued)- Catechism of the Catholic Church
<https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium>

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sep 07-Sat, 5:15PM Vigil Mass + Romeo Ledesma
- Sep 08- Sun 9:00AM + Consolacion & Rodolfo Rojas
 12:15 PM + The Parishioners
 5:30 PM + All Souls in Purgatory
- Sep 09 -Mon, 7PM Thanksgiving of Raymond Lacho
- Sep 10 -Tue, 9 AM + Salvador Madrid
 Thanksgiving of Chloe Clavera
- Sep 11 -Wed, 7 PM + Perfecto Edquiban
- Sep 12 -Thu, 9 AM +Leo Gutierrez
- Sep 13 -Fri, 7PM + Dennis Edquiban
- Sep 14 -Sat, 9AM + Aurora Edquiban

7-day Vigil Lamp Intention – Sep 07-13, 2024

- Sanctuary---
 Virgin Mary- Healing of Mary Ylagan
 Chapel ----

WORD OF THE WEEK

“EPHPHATHA”

- Meaning “Be Opened”.

It was uttered by Christ when healing the man who was deaf and dumb (Mark 7:34). And immediately the man's ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

The sacrament of the anointing of the sick confers a special grace which unites the sick person more intimately to the Passion of Christ for his good and for the good of all the Church. It gives comfort, peace, courage, and even the forgiveness of sins if the sick person is not able to make a confession. Sometimes, if it is the will of God, this sacrament even brings about the restoration of physical health. In any case this Anointing prepares the sick person for the journey to the Father's House. CCC 1520-1523, 1532

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention – September 2024 – FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH

“Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care for the world we inhabit.”



Our Patron Saint...



"The most fundamental modern error is that of imagining that man's natural sense of religion is nothing more than the outcome of feeling or fantasy." Pope John XXIII

St. Peter Claver Sep 9th

Born near Barcelona, Spain, in 1580, Saint Peter Claver joined the Jesuits in 1600. Inspired by Saint Alphonus Rodriguez, Peter resolved to work in the missions in the New World and was sent to Cartagena in South America, then the centre of the slave trade. There, Peter tended to newly arrived Africans with food, water and medicine. For nearly 40 years, he ministered tirelessly to the slaves and pleaded for their humane treatment. In 1654, ill and neglected by his religious brothers, Peter Claver died. He was canonized in 1888. He is a patron of Colombia and of all missions to black peoples.

Living with Christ, Sep 2024 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 !!!



Pope at Mass in Indonesia: Dare to dream of fraternity!

[Pope at Mass in Indonesia: Dare to dream of fraternity! - Vatican News](#)



OUR LADY OF FATIMA TAMIL CHAPLAINCY HOSTS ARCHBISHOP LEO
Tuesday, September 03, 2024



ARCHBISHOP LEO TRAVELS TO MARTYRS' SHRINE FOR HISPANIC PILGRIMAGE
Friday, August 30, 2024



ARCHBISHOP LEO VISITS OUR LADY QUEEN OF POLAND PARISH IN SCARBOROUGH
Friday, August 30, 2024

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

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



Announcements!!!

- ✚ **Registration for Confirmation is now open for Grade 7 and up, please approach Fr. David after any of the Sunday Mass;**
- ✚ **Calling Grade 2 and up who have not received the First Holy Communion registration is now open;**
- ✚ **New to the Parish? Please register, fill up a Parish Registration Form and submit to the Office or to Fr. David;**
- ✚ **Our Seniors Group is inviting other seniors to join them every 2nd Thursday of the month in a breakfast potluck after the 9am Mass.**






Archdiocese Office of Catholic Youth –
Announcements!!!!

JULY 23, 2025 - AUGUST 5, 2025

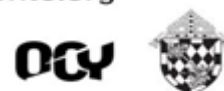
JUBILEE OF YOUTH

Join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! All young adults (ages 19 - 39) are invited.



Youth & Young Adult Ministry
**ELEVATE TRAINING
WEEKEND**

 **Sept 21 - Sept 22, 2024**
 **Dante Aligheri Academy**
2 St Andrews Blvd, Etobicoke
 youth@archtoronto.org



**RENEW
TORONTO**

Annual Young Adult (19 - 39)
Catholic Conference

 **Nov 23 - Nov 24, 2024**
 **Canada Event Centre**
300 Water St, Whitby
 www.renewtoronto.org



Re: Lay Pastoral Visitors Training – Registration Now Open

From: Saulina Amaral, Diocesan Coordinator, Ministries of Care and Ministry with Maturing Adults

Please add the following announcement to your parish bulletin and share with your lay pastoral visitors:

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on **Wednesdays, Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.** This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2024> by Oct. 22, 2024.

DOWNLOAD POSTER: <https://bit.ly/LPVT-PosterOctNov2024>

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