

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 27 Oct 2024

The blind man said to Jesus,

“My teacher, let me see again.”

Jesus said to him:

“Go; your faith has made you well.”

Mark 10:52

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-

St. John XXIII Catholic School

175 Grenoble Dr. North York, ON M3C 3E7

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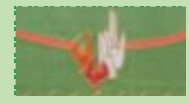
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St. Simon & Jude Oct 28th

Pray for us.

“Simon, the zealot & St. Jude, patron of difficult cases.”



“JESUS, Son of David, have mercy on me.” Mark 10:47

“Shout with joy for Jacob! Raise shouts for the chief of the Nations! Proclaim, praise and say, ‘Save, O Lord, your People, the Remnant of Israel!’”

Very unusual words from the mouth of Prophet Jeremiah, who was known as the “Prophet of doom” or the “Weeping Prophet.”

The Lord had assigned Jeremiah, a very difficult and dangerous Mission; To Prophecy “the imminent invasion” from the North and a consequent destruction of Judah and Jerusalem with all its people taken exile to Babylon; The Consequence of which was that Jeremiah had almost no friend. Yet, in the 1st reading, today, we hear him giving a message of hope and divine consolation to the remnants of Israel; those Israelites who would remained faithful as we read; ***“See, I am going to bring them from the land of the North and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them those who are blind and those who are lame ... with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become Father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first born.”*** Jer. 31:7-9

On that day, the remnants of Israel would be able to acclaim with the Psalm we’ve just proclaimed; ***“The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with Joy.”***

In the Gospel reading today, Jesus is on his final journey to Jerusalem, where he is to be the Consolation of the Father; the Victim of the Sacrifice of our redemption.

The Gospel today locates him in Jericho, before beginning, the final stage of his journey; ascend from Jericho (258m below sea level) to Jerusalem; (754m above sea level)

In his way, a blind man is introduced in his full names, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus. This tells us that the blind man was well known, but his illness that reduced him to nothingness. His position by the roadside meant that he was a nobody in that society. He was a beggar and in the understanding of the time, misfortunes in life like his sickness and poverty were signs that you were sinful consequently paying for your wickedness.

On hearing that Jesus was passing by, Bartimaeus who was hopeless cried out a confession of faith, to the One who only, could save him; ***“Son of David, have mercy on me.”***

While those around him rebuked him, Bartimaeus persisted in his cry and profession of faith in Jesus’s power to heal him. Scripture tells us; Jesus stopped his journey, stood still and commanded the crowd; ***“call him.”***

Jesus put to Bartimaeus the same question he put to John and James, the sons of Zebedee in last Sunday’s Gospel reading; ***“What do you want me to do for you?”***

Unlike the disciples, who searched for Power and Authority, Bartimaeus made a single request of wellbeing; ***“Master, I want to see!”***

“Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Jesus Commanded! Bartimaeus’ un-waveringly faith and trust in Jesus restored his sight and wholeness! No insults, no rebukes from the people would deter his cry for help! Bartimaeus refused to be silenced! He Trusted in the Only One who could heal him! His Faith did not waver!

Bartimaeus, Son of Timaeus received the Lord’s Consolation for his perseverance in Faith and received the Grace to become a disciple of Christ.

Brothers and sisters, let us abandon ourselves into the hands of Jesus. our Savior and intercessor with the Father. Let us pray with the prayer of Bartimaeus as humble disciples; ***“Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me.”***



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

27. What does it mean in practice for a person to believe in God? 150-152, 176-178 It means to adhere to God himself, entrusting oneself to him and giving assent to all the truths which God has revealed because God is Truth. It means to believe in one God in three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

28. What are the characteristics of faith? 153-165, 179-180,183-184 Faith is the supernatural virtue which is necessary for salvation. It is a free gift of God and is accessible to all who humbly seek it. The act of faith is a human act, that is, an act of the intellect of a person - prompted by the will moved by God - who freely assents to divine truth. Faith is also certain because it is founded on the Word of God; it works “through charity” (Galatians 5:6); and it continually grows through listening to the Word of God and through prayer. It is, even now, a foretaste of the joys of heaven.

29. Why is there no contradiction between faith and science? 159 Though faith is above reason, there can never be a contradiction between faith and science because both originate in God. It is God himself who gives to us the light both of reason and of faith.
“I believe, in order to understand; and I understand, the better to believe.” (Saint Augustine)

We Believe

30. Why is faith a personal act, and at the same time ecclesial? 166-169, 181 Faith is a personal act insofar as it is the free response of the human person to God who reveals himself. But at the same time it is an ecclesial act which expresses itself in the proclamation, “We believe”. It is in fact the Church that believes: and thus by the grace of the Holy Spirit precedes, engenders and nourishes the faith of each Christian For this reason the Church is Mother and Teacher.

*“No one can have God as Father who does not have the Church as Mother.”
(St Cyprian)*

31. Why are the formulas of faith important? 170-171 The formulas of faith are important because they permit one to express, assimilate, celebrate, and share together with others the truths of the faith through a common language.

32. In what way is the faith of the Church one faith alone? 172-175,182 The Church, although made up of persons who have diverse languages, cultures, and rites, nonetheless professes with a united voice the one faith that was received from the one Lord and that was passed on by the one Apostolic Tradition. She confesses one God alone, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and points to one way of salvation. Therefore, we believe with one heart and one soul all that is contained in the Word of God, handed down or written, and which is proposed by the Church as divinely revealed.

To find more click the link below- https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/

MASS INTENTIONS

- Oct 26-Sat, 5:15PM Vigil Mass + Robert & Charles
- Oct 27- Sun 9:00AM + The Parishioners
 - 12:15 PM + Etilda & Alfredo Puncion
 - 5:30 PM + Eduardo Perlas
- Oct 28 -Mon,7:00PM Thanksgiving- Leah & Vladimir
- Oct 29-Tue, 9AM + Edmund Lacho
- Oct 30 -Wed, 7 PM + Carmelita Cochesa
- Oct 31 -Thu, 9 AM + Clarisa Rodricks
- Nov 01 -Fri, 7PM Deceased members of CWL
- Nov 02 -Sat, 9AM +Mavis & +Marie
 - + Corazon Calongalong

7-day Vigil Lamp Intention – Oct 26-Nov01, 2024

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

WORD OF THE WEEK

“FAITH”

It is a personal and communal relationship. “Faith is first of all a personal adherence... to God. At the same time, it is a free assent to the whole truth that God has revealed” (CCC No. 150).

A personal faith says, “I believe in God.” This is an act of belief in the one, true, and living God.

<https://www.archspm.org/faith-and-discipleship/catholic-faith/what-is-faith-how-does-it-tie-in-to-what-we-believe-as-catholics/>

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention – October 2024 – FOR A SHARED MISSION

“We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.”



Our Patron Saint...



"I say only this to the Lord: here I am, ready for everything, sufferings as well as joys." Pope John XXIII

St. Simon & St. Jude Oct 28th

The names of Simon and Jude appear in New Testament lists of the apostles but little else is known about either. Since there are two apostles named Simon and two named Judas (Luke 6.14-16 and Acts 1.13), these are distinguished as Simon the Zealot and Judas the son (or the brother) of James, the others being Simon Peter and Judas Iscariot.

Simon is surnamed the Cananaean or the Zealot, names which refer to his zeal for the Law. Jude (Judas) is also called Thaddeus (Matthew 10.4 and Mark 3.18); the one mention of him outside of the lists is in John (14.22-23) where he is referred to as "Judas (not Iscariot)."

Traditionally, both these apostles suffered martyrdom. In a later tradition, Jude became a patron saint of so-called hopeless causes.

Living with Christ, Oct 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 General Audience: Invite Holy Spirit to protect your marriage and children

[Pope at General Audience: Invite Holy Spirit to protect your marriage and children - Vatican News](#)



POPE FRANCIS ELEVATES ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO TO THE COLLEGE OF CARDINALS

Sunday, October 06, 2024



URGENT APPEAL FOR SUPPORT IN LEBANON—JOINT CALL FOR HELP AND PRAYERS

Wednesday, October 16, 2024



UNPACKING THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY – NOVEMBER 10, 2024

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

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

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



Announcements!!!

✚ If you want Pre-numbered Donation Envelopes for 2025, please email the office at stjohn23do@archtoronto.org ;

✚ CWL-St. John XXIII council is inviting you to join in their Annual Christmas Dinner & Dance on November 16th at 6pm. See details in the next page;

✚ **New to the Parish?** Please register, fill up a Parish Registration Form and submit to the Office or to Fr. David;



CWL - St. John XXIII Council *invites you*



SAVE THE DATE



WHAT: CWL ANNUAL FUNDRAISING
CHRISTMAS DINNER & DANCE

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024

TIME: FROM 6:00 PM until 12:00 AM

WHERE: LEASIDE MEMORIAL COMMUNITY GARDENS
1073 Millwood Road, Toronto, Ontario, M4G 1X6

COST: \$50.00 inclusive; \$25 for children up to 12 years

ATTIRE: SEMI-FORMAL

For more information please contact :

Cora de Villa @ 647-962-4691 or 416-546-0061

Elena Oro @ 647-459-4964

Lynda Caratao @ 416-951-9907



Ample parking available at no additional cost




ARCHDIOCESE 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.



RENEW Toronto is back!

Join us on **Saturday, November 23rd and Sunday, November 24th** for an unforgettable experience at our annual conference for young adults aged 19 - 39! This is your chance to grow in faith alongside like-minded individuals who are in the same exciting stage of life. Whether you're a student, young professional, young couple, or part of a young catholic family, this conference has something special for you!

Our theme this year is Isaiah 40:31: **"Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary."** Come be inspired by our keynotes, workshops, Catholic vendors and organizations to live out this message in your everyday life.

Don't miss out! Save your spot today by registering on our website renewtoronto.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: Liturgical Ministries Week: Formation for Lectors Webinar

From: Michelle Brylowski, Associate Director, RCIA and Liturgical Formation

This webinar is for new and experienced lectors, those serving at Sunday or weekday liturgies and for RCIA team members who lead celebrations of the Word of God. It is designed to provide practical training for service in this ministry and will offer helpful tips for spiritual preparation.

DATE: Monday, Nov. 11, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/LW-RegisterNov2024>

POSTER: <https://bit.ly/LW-PosterNov2024>

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 ext. 523

Re: Liturgical Ministries Week: Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Webinar

From: Michelle Brylowski, Associate Director, RCIA and Liturgical Formation

This webinar is for new and experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who serve in parishes at Sunday or weekday liturgies. It is designed to provide practical training for service in this ministry and will offer helpful tips for spiritual preparation.

DATE: Tuesday, Nov. 12, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/EMCHW-RegisterNov2024>

POSTER: <https://bit.ly/EMCHW-PosterNov2024>

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