

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 3, 2022

“Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if someone of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.”

Luke 10:5-6

“HAPPY CANADA DAY”

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass – 5:15pm

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 2023 is in the months of September and October 2022

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 & up registration for 2023 is on October and November 2022

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment

Parish School-

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St Thomas- Feast day July 3rd
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He said to them, **“The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves”.**

Luke 10:2-3

“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; Rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast.”

The Words of Isaiah, the Prophet, in the closing chapter of his book, as he encouraged “the returning exiles” who were disheartened after witnessing their beloved city, Jerusalem, in ashes, their Temple in ruins!

The People of God, the remnant, who had survived the sad experience of exile, of being crushed like grapes, in Babylon, were now being promised through a Motif of a Mother, the Hope of becoming the True Receptors of the Promise made to Abraham. They would witness,

+ **Jerusalem prosper; “For the Lord will spread his prosperity over them as a river!”**

+ **Jerusalem become A Center of Comfort and Consolation; for “as a Mother comforts her child so would the Lord God comfort you!”**

+ **Jerusalem become again the source of delight to all; for ... “it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants.”**

What an uplifting Message! What an assuring sign by the Faithful God by whose intervention, the lives of those who trust in Him are transformed! What an assuring hope!

This Hope, in the fullness of time was realized in Christ Jesus, in whom, God’s Plan of Salvation for humanity was actualized.

In the Gospel Reading today, we witness him appoint and commission 70 disciples, to participate to proclaim the Truth that God was in their midst.

The Mission of the 70, unlike that of the 12 earlier that was exclusive to the Israelites was a Mission to all - An Universal Mission,

Some Bible scholars find the foundation of the number (70 or 72) in Genesis 10:2-31; which is a description of the descendants of the sons of Noah after the floods! (such were the clans of Noah, listed by descent and nations. From them other nations branched out on earth after the flood) 70, also were the languages of people that resulted after the confusion of tongues in the tower of Babel. It was before the Tower of Babel where humanity was described as one for the last time before they were dispersed after their attempt to reach God by their own effort and abilities! –

Luke, the evangelist, himself a gentile saw the commissioning of the 70 as a Mission to all peoples of the World

Christ sent the 70 with an urgent Mission to proclaim; The question then was; What was the Message? What were they to Communicate? - *Unlike the Apostles and us after the Resurrection, who are to Proclaim -Salvation through Christ’s Death and Resurrection; What were these Disciples to Preach?*

The Answer is found a few verses above what we read today. In Luke the Confession of Peter after Jesus had asked the Questions; who do people say that I AM? Who do you say I AM?

Peter had responded on our behalf; *“The Christ of God.”* In the Gospel of Mathew he answered; *“You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God.”*

To underline the Significance of this Confession, Jesus had exalted Peter; *“Blessed are you, Simon Son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Heavenly Father.”*

It’s only God who can reveal his Presence among His People!

Unlike in the Tower of Babel, *when Man had attempted to reach the Heavens by his own power but failed,* God, in his own generosity and love had come and was physically present among His People.

This was the message they were to preach, *“The Kingdom of God present at hand;”* *“God was present among His People!”*

We read, the 70 return after a successful Mission and Jesus exalted at the defeat of the Powers of evil; ***“I observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky!”***

Brothers and Sisters, it’s Eden all over again, God is Present among His People in the Person of Christ Jesus.

With Authority and Power founded in Christ and the Spirit, evil is certainly bound to be defeated.

And when you are blessed to witness the defeat of evil, Christ reminds us what is important; **You are Members of God’s Household!**

“Rejoice, rather, that your names are written in heaven.”

O God, within your temple we ponder your steadfast love. Like your name, O God, your praise reaches the ends of the earth. Your right hand is fully victorious. PSALM 48:10-11

Q&A – Catechism of the Catholic Church-

Q-Why the liturgy?

A- **[CCC 1066]** In the Symbol of the faith the Church confesses the mystery of the Holy Trinity and of the plan of God's "good pleasure" for all creation: the Father accomplishes the "mystery of his will by giving his beloved Son and his Holy Spirit for the salvation of the world and for the glory of his name.

Such is the mystery of Christ, revealed and fulfilled in history according to the wisely ordered plan that St. Paul calls the "plan of the mystery" and the patristic tradition will call the "economy of the Word incarnate" or the "economy of salvation".

[CCC 1067] "The wonderful works of God among the people of the Old Testament were but a prelude to the work of Christ the Lord in redeeming mankind and giving perfect glory to God. He accomplished this work principally by the Paschal mystery of his blessed Passion, Resurrection from the dead, and glorious Ascension, whereby 'dying he destroyed our death, rising he restored our life.' For it was from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death upon the cross that there came forth 'the wondrous sacrament of the whole Church.'" For this reason, the Church celebrates in the liturgy above all the Paschal mystery by which Christ accomplished the work of our salvation.

[CCC 1067] It is this mystery of Christ that the Church proclaims and celebrates in her liturgy so that the faithful may live from it and bear witness to it in the world:

For it is in the liturgy, especially in the divine sacrifice of the Eucharist, that "the work of our redemption is accomplished," and it is through the liturgy especially that the faithful are enabled to express in their lives and manifest to others the mystery of Christ and the real nature of the true Church. Catechism of the Catholic Church - IntraText (vatican.va)

Mass Intentions for the week:

July 2 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass
The Parishioners of SJXXIII

July 3 – Sunday

9:00 AM Thanksgiving of CWL

12:15 PM +Eulogio A.

5:30 PM +Maria C.

July 4 – Monday, 7PM

+Felipe H.

July 5 – Tuesday, 9AM

+ Lerma & +Isagani A.

+ Teodorica G.

July 6 – Wednesday, 7PM

+ Eduardo D.

July 7 – Thursday, 9AM

Thanksgiving of Melissa-Ann

July 8 – Friday, 7PM

+ Crispulo & +Emilia S.

July 9 – Saturday, 9AM

+Cynthia A.

Memorial Lamp – July 2-8, 2022

Sanctuary Candle -

Mother Mary -

Chapel Candle -

Note to All Parishioners:

If you want to offer mass intentions, please email or call the office at least two weeks in advance so it could be included in the bulletin.

Let us pray for all the members of our Community who are sick, homebound and needs spiritual healing especially:

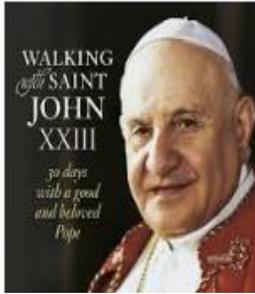
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| 1. Cristina | 3. Denise |
| 2. Jinky | 4. Nelly |

Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord. Matthew 11:28

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention –July 2022

"We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility."

Our Patron Saint...



The Decalogue of Pope St. John XXIII: Daily resolutions for you and me.

2. Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.

To be continued

St. Thomas – July 3

Since the early Church there has been a tradition that Thomas is the Apostle of India. In Syriac his name means ‘twin’; he is also called by the Greek equivalent, ‘Didymus.’ Although the phrase “doubting Thomas” refers to him, it overlooks both his loyalty in troubled times and his absolute surrender when given the evidence he sought. Having seen, he declared the great Christian confession, “My Lord and my God”: the doubter became the believer. Thomas is a patron saint of builders, and of India and Pakistan.

Living with Christ, July 2022 edition

BIBLE TRIVIA

1. What was the sign of God’s covenant to Noah?
Genesis 9:8-14
2. How many daughters Jethro priest of Midian (father in law of Moises) has? Exodus 2:16
3. In the Old Testament, the Israelites and the foreigners living among them must fast and must not do any work, what and when it is observed?
Leviticus 16:29-31
4. Who are the 7 Mary’s in the bible?
Num26:59;Mat1:18;John19:25;Mat 27:56;Luke 10:38-42;Acts 12:12; Roman 16:6
5. When Peter asked Jesus how many times he will forgive his brothers? Matthew 18:21
6. How many demons had been driven out from Mary Magdalene? Luke 8:1-2
7. What day of the week, God describes Sabbath as a Holy day or day of rest? Deuteronomy 5:12-14

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 first Friday at 6:30pm

Parish Ministries & Programs

- Eucharistic Extraordinary Ministers
- Lectors–Proclaimers of God’s words
- Altar Servers & Sacristans
- Ushers
- Catholic Women’s League
- Legion of Mary
- Intercessory Prayer Group
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Shrine Apostolate Icon of Our Lady

If you are interested to join, please email us at stjohn23do@archtoronto.org and we will direct you to the person leading these groups.

CWL ARE SELLING TICKETS FOR THEIR FUND RAISING Campaign... Please support them.....

Answer on last week trivia: 1. Jesse the father of David- Ruth 4:17; 2. Abraham the father of Isaac–Genesis 21:2; 3. Adam the father of Seth– Genesis 5:3; 4. Saul father of Jonathan – 1Samuel 13:2; 5. Joash the father of Gideon- Judges 6:11; 6. John the father of Peter and Andrew –John 1:42; 7. Zebedee father of James and John – Mark 3:17; 8. Zechariah the father of John the Baptist– Luke 1:5-10 9. Joachim father of Mary mother of Jesus –according to tradition, – 10. Alpheus father of Matthew (Levi) Mark 2-13– 11. Amon father of Manaseh -Matthew 1:6b-11.