

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 02, 2022

“If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

Luke 17.5

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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Holy Guardian Angels, Pray for us

Feast Day on October 2, 2022



**“O Lord, how long shall I cry for help and you will not listen?”
Or cry out to you ‘Violence!’ and you will not save?”
Why do you make me see ruin; why must I look at Misery?” Hab. 1:2**

Do these words sound familiar? Have these words ever closed your mind, as we think about the world around us; wars, natural disasters, and general poverty?

Habakkuk, from whom our 1st Reading is taken, was not simply troubled by the lawlessness that he saw around himself; but of deeper concern and agitation was his perception of the unwillingness, and seemingly inability of Israel’s God to restore some semblance of justice and order! This revealed the burning theological issue of the time (may be even of today) --- Will God, and indeed, can God remain faithful to the Promise and deal, He graciously made with Israel, even in the face of the overwhelming power and arrogance of the Great Empires! (Jerome P. 262)

Habakkuk wanted an immediate intervention, which he thought was overdue! He wanted God to break his silence and respond to his call. GOD DID! But his immediate response, further caused dismay in Habakkuk! Instead of the expected word of comfort or promise of rescue, God revealed the rise of another power: The Babylonian; which would result, not in a time of peace and tranquility but of fear and suffering; Judah and Jerusalem would be ravaged and its people taken exile.

With this response Habakkuk complained, a second time and with this, God responded with the second part of our 1st Reading; “The Vision has its time, it presses on to its fulfillment, and will not disappoint.” God revealed to Habakkuk that He Intervenes but only, on His own terms!

How many times, we, disciples of Christ, prayed and wished God’s quick intervention on issues we considered urgent would be responded to without delay! We are called to a life of Faith, but in moments when things turn rough, our faith, like that of Habakkuk become wanting.

Jesus was on his Final Journey to Jerusalem; where an Exodus to the Father would be complete. He was to die for us, in obedience to His Father, so that his love for us would be manifest. On the way, Jesus was teaching his disciples about himself, the kingdom of God and what it means to follow him. The demands on the disciples were mounting!

In the verses preceding what we read today, Jesus was instructing his Disciples about fraternal correction; “if your brother does something wrong, rebuke him, if he is sorry, forgive him. And if he wrongs you seven times a day and seven times comes back to you and says, “I am sorry,” you must forgive him.”

To carry out the demands of following Jesus on the Way, the disciples realized, required an increase of Faith, so they prayed; “Lord increase our Faith!”

In reply, Jesus offers a short Parable about the extraordinary power of even a little genuine Faith (small like a mustard seed)

A Mulberry tree is a relatively large tree with extensive root system. It would be difficult not only to uproot it but also to grow it in the deep waters! Yet at a command in genuine Faith, the Mulberry tree would obey; be uprooted and transplanted into the sea!

We need Faith to courageously put into practice what we are called to, as disciples of Christ. We need the kind of Faith exemplified by St. Paul in the second reading; a Faith based in deep trust and confidence in God, Our Creator and Father.

It is in such Faith, when can recognize our mission as a blessing and then we are to acknowledge that, “We are just unworthy servants!”

Let us pray that the Lord may increase Our Faith, Amen.

Q&A – Catechism of the Catholic Church-

Q-What are the symbols of Faith?

A- [CCC 185-188;192,197] The symbols of faith are composite formulas, also called “profession of faith” or “Creeds”, with which the Church from her very beginning has set forth synthetically and handed on her own faith in a language that is normative and common to all the faithful.

Q-What are the most ancient symbols (professions) of faith?

A- [CCC 189-191] The most ancient symbols of faith are the *baptismal creeds*. Because Baptism is conferred “in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Matthew 28:19), the truths of faith professed at Baptism are articulated in reference to the three Persons of the Most Holy Trinity.

Q- What are the most important symbol of the faith?

A- [CCC193-195] They are the *Apostles’ Creed* which is the ancient baptismal symbol of the Church of Rome and the *Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed* which stems from the first two ecumenical Councils, that of Nicea (325 A.D.) and that of Constantinople (381 A.D.) and which even to this day are common to all the great Churches of the East and the West.

“I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.”

Q- Why does the Profession of Faith begin with the words, “I believe in God”?

A- [CCC198-195] The Profession of Faith begins with these words because the affirmation “I believe in God” is the most important, the source of all the other truths about man and about the world, and about the entire life of everyone who believes in God.

[Catechism of the Catholic Church - IntraText \(vatican.va\)](https://www.vatican.va/encyclicals/documents/hf_hc_1993_06_06_19930606_catechism_en.html)

Mass Intentions for the week:

Oct 01 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Intention of CWL

Oct 02 – Sunday

9:00 AM + Consolacion & +Rodolfo R.

12:15 PM The Parishioners

5:30 PM + Singanpalli A.

Oct 03– Monday, 10AM

Intention of Sagar D.

Oct 04 – Tuesday, 9AM

Thanksgiving of Mary T.

Oct 05 – Wednesday, 7PM

Thanksgiving of Imelda M.

Oct 06 – Thursday, 9AM

+Lena Marie F.

Oct 07 – Friday, 7PM

Oct 08 – Saturday, 9AM

Memorial Lamp – Oct 1 - 7, 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:

1. Cristina
2. Margarete
3. Denise



Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention –October 2022 [A Church Open To Everyone](#)

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

Our Patron Saint...



The Humor and Love of John XXIII

When he went to visit a friend at the nearby Hospital of the Holy Spirit in the evening, the nun answering the door said: "Holy Father, I'm the mother superior of the Holy Spirit." He replied: "Lucky you! What a job! I'm just the 'servant of the servants of God.'"

To be continued

Holy Guardian Angels –Oct 2nd

The word "Angel" comes from the Greek word for messenger, and the Scriptures contain many references to their activities. In the Acts of the Apostles, for example, we read how Peter was assisted by an angel in escaping prison. When he went to a gathering of believers and was announced by the maid, they were incredulous, proclaiming, "It is his angel" (Acts 12.15). It was widely believed that people had a guardian angel assigned by God. In the oldest Roman Sacramentary still in existence, indirect reference is made to these individual guardians in the prayers for the feast . A memorial to guardian angels was entered into the calendar of the Western Church in 1670.

Living with Christ, Oct 2022 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

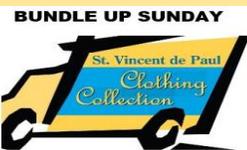
-Every 1st Friday at 6:00pm communal

-Everyday – personal in the chapel

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.



**Bundle Up-
For the St. Vincent de Paul**

The Truck will come on October 8-9, 2022 and will be parked on these dates at the church parking.

Things accepted- Clothes, shoes, hats, babies clothes and blanket
Not accepted – furniture, appliances, books, mattress, video tapes
(See posters on the board)

DO YOU KNOW

1. When is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary?
2. According to tradition the Rosary was given by the Blessed Virgin Mary to a Saint in a vision, who is this saint?
3. What are the mysteries added by St. John Paul II also called mysteries of light?
4. In what apparitions, Mary identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary?
5. What is the third Joyful mystery?
6. What mystery of the wedding feast in Cana is?
7. These mysteries are usually prayed every Mondays & Saturdays?



8. What are the mysteries that refers to the passion of Christ?
9. What mysteries of the Rosary usually prayed every Wednesdays and Sundays?
10. How many beads are there in a rosary?



Answer on last week trivia: 1. September 29th; 2. Angels are spiritual creatures who glorify God without ceasing & who serve his saving plan for other creatures. [CCC350]; 3. Virgin Mary & Zachariah 4. Angel Michael [Daniel 10:12]; 5. Michael 6. Gabriel; 7. Archangel, Cherubim & Seraphim; 8. Michael and his angels; 9. Angel Raphael; 10. Guardian Angels.