St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 6, 2022

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me."

Psalm 23:1-2

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 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. Leo the Great, Pray for us

Feast Day on November 10, 2022



"Beloved, we are God's Children now; what we will be has not been revealed, what we know is this, when He is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is."

1 John 3:2

Reflection on "All Saints Day," and "All Souls Day."

November 1st and 2nd celebrates "All Saints Day," and "All Souls Day," respectively.

In the 1st Reading on November 1st John the Apostle called on us to look Heavenward to witness the many brothers and sisters who are with God. The Book of Revelation gave the number at 144,000 (those marked with the seal), from the tribes of Israel. John then continued; I, John then saw, "A multitude which no man could number, from every nation, from all tribes, peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the lamb clothed with white robes praising God!"

The number of People to be saved depends on the Love and Mercy of God, He alone determines who receives Life in His Presence Forever.

In the meditation, recited in the Breviary on this day, St. Bernard poses the question "But, why our praise and glorification; why celebrate the Saints; does this mean anything to them?"

St Bernard answers; "The Saints have no need of our honor neither do our devotion add the slightest thing to who they are now; but then he continues, "But when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning to be like them."

The Saints are part of us, the Church. In The Catechism of the Catholic Church, we read; The Church comprises of us: 1. The Pilgrim Church, 2. Then those who have died and are being Purified and 3. Those in Glory, in Full Light of God Himself.

Saints are not just out there, they are part of the Body of Christ, they influence our lives; In Communion with them (as we profess in our creed), we in our earthly pilgrimage are brought closer, in Christ, into the Divine Communion!

At every Mass after Consecration the Priest on behalf of the Christian Community pleads with Saints; "Have Mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with St. Joseph her spouse, with blessed Apostles and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life.

St. Dominic when he was dying said to his brothers; "do not weep, for I shall be more useful to you after my death, and I shall help you then more effectively than during my life."

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus would say; "I want to spend my Heaven doing good on earth!" In Faith, we glorify God with all the Saints.

And now, just a few lines about "All Souls Day." During this day, many People visit Cemeteries to remember loved ones and pray for them; later we all join in Mass and offer the Sacrifice for them.

We remember and pray for them, not in grieve, as people without hope but in Faith that Eternal Life is grounded in the Victory Jesus won for us on the Cross.

In our Baptism St Paul teaches us "We went into the tomb with Christ and joined in his death, so then as Christ was raised from the dead by the Glory of the Father, we too might live a new life in him."

Let us live in Hope, uplifted by the words we hear from St. John in the 2nd Reading on "All Saints Day," "Beloved, we are God's Children now; what we will be has not been revealed, what we know is this, when He is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is."

May the Lord Bless and Keep you. Amen.



Q&A - Catechism of the Catholic Church-

Q-What is the Christian's Last Passover?

- A- [CCC 1681] The Christian meaning of death is revealed in the light of the Paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ in whom resides our only hope, the Christian who dies in Christ Jesus is "away from the body and at home with the Lord." [183].
- B- [CCC 1682] For the Christian the day of death inaugurates, at the end of his sacramental life, the fulfillment of this new birth begun at Baptism, the definitive "conformity" to "the image of the Son" conferred by the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and participation in the feast of the Kingdom which was anticipated in the Eucharist even if final purifications are still necessary for him in order to be clothed with the nuptial garment.
- C- [CCC 1683] The Church who, as Mother, has borne the Christian sacramentally in her womb during his earthly pilgrimage, accompanies him at his journey's end, in order to surrender him "into the Father's hands." She offers to the Father, in Christ, the child of his grace, and she commits to the earth, in hope, the seed of the body that will rise in glory.[184] This offering is fully celebrated in the Eucharistic sacrifice; the blessings before and after Mass are Mass sacramentals.

Q-What are Christian Funerals?

A- [CCC 1680] All the sacraments, and principally those of Christian initiation, have as their goal the last Passover of the child of God which, through death, leads him into the life of the Kingdom. Then what he confessed in faith and hope will be fulfilled: "I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come." [182]

<u>Catechism of the Catholic Church - IntraText (vatican.va)</u>

Mass Intentions for the week:

Nov 5 – Saturday, 5:15PM Vigil Mass

+ Scott H.

+Deceased members of Ayala/Porte

Nov 6 – Sunday

9:00 AM +Flordelina A.

12:15 PM The Parishioners

5:30 PM Deceased members of North Family

Nov 7- Monday, 7PM

+Deceased members of Legion of Mary

Nov 8 – Tuesday, 9AM

Nov 9 – Wednesday, 7PM

+ Benesico S.

Nov 10 - Thursday, 9AM

+ Virgilio deV.

Nov 11 – Friday, 7PM

Thanksgiving of Hernandez Family

Nov 12 - Saturday, 9AM

Thanksgiving-B-day Rena R.

+ Arcadio & Luz deG.

Memorial Lamp - Nov5-11, 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:

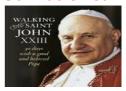
1. Cristina 2. Margarete 3. Denise



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention -November 2022

"Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education, and may they have the opportunity to experience family affection,"

Our Patron Saint...



The Humor, Quotes and Love of John XXIII

"The social progress, order, security and peace of each country are necessarily connected with the social progress, order, security and peace of all other countries."

To be continued

St. Leo the Great -Nov 10

Leo was born to Tuscan parents. His religious beliefs guided his entire life. As a deacon he worked to bring peace to warring Roman factions who were leaving Gaul vulnerable to barbarian invasion. Leo is well known for his peacekeeping efforts, and especially for his encounter with Attila the Hun, persuading Attila not to plunder Rome. During another attack three years later, Leo was not so successful, though he did manage to save the city from being burnt. Leo worked alongside the people to rebuild the city and its churches.

Pope from 440 until his death in 461, Leo is best known for his sermons on faith and charity. Always a strong opponent of heresies, his teaching has had a lasting influence on the life of the Roman Church. He is the first pope whose sermons and letters have been preserved in extensive collections. He was made Doctor of the Church in 1754

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT.....

- 1. What feast is celebrated on November 1st?
- 2. How do you call the church in heaven, the saints?
- 3. Who are the pilgrim church?
- 4. All souls are remembered on the 2nd day of November and all the souls in purgatory are called?
- 5. What sacrament is given to a person who suffer from serious illness and infirmity or near death?
- 6. Who could minister this sacrament to a sick person?
- 7. What are the principal elements of this sacrament (Anointing of the sick)?
- 8. What does the Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us about Illness in human life?
- 9. What do you call the Oil used by the priest in the anointing of the sick?

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.

What unites us, is much greater than what divides us." St. John XXIII



Next Sunday is Shepherd's Trust Sunday

We pray for all retired priests and religious.