

**INSTALLATION OF
FR. MICHAEL SIMOES
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019**

All parishioners are invited to attend the 11:00 am Mass as Fr. Michael will be installed as Pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish, by Bishop John Boissonneau, followed by a reception in the hall.

As a sign of community, parishioners are encouraged to bring a finger food item to share at the reception. We ask that you bring this to the hall before the Mass.

After six months of ministry at St. Mary Star of the Sea, and many conversations at the Church door, I recognize that there is a wealth of talent and experience in this parish. Some of the talents that I would like to tap into are of those who have experience with buildings and property management. If you have experience in architecture, engineering, general contracting, plumbing, electrical, stonework, landscaping, IT etc..., please speak to me or contact the parish office. Volunteers will be screened and a committee formed to advise me on projects in the parish.

Fr. Michael

From the desk of.....

The long weekend that we enjoy brings us back to the regular ebb and flow of our daily rhythm. Whether it be school, work and other extracurricular activities like sports and dance, the movement from summer vacation mode to regular work mode might be difficult. However, if we took advantage of summer vacation mode as a time to grow in our relationship with God, then we will recognize in our daily work rhythm God present to us. The more we are aware of God being present to us, our hearts will be filled with gratitude to God and more generous in giving of our time, talent and treasure.

Awareness of God being present to us allows us to live in the present moment and this is a challenge. Think about it, we are either struggling trying to plan something for the future or we are weighed down by some event of our past. This causes our thoughts to go back and forth between dwelling in the past or planning for the future. The result of such thoughts can cause a restlessness in our hearts. This restlessness usually finds itself manifested in frustration or anxiety.

Our Lord in the Gospels speaks about this tendency: "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?...But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well. Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day." (Matthew 6:25;33-34)

To overcome this tendency that leads us from the present moment, Our Lord offers us the remedy: Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness. We are to seek Him and to live in the moment. As the psalmist relates: "Be still and know that I am God." We can keep that passage of scripture in our back pocket as we go back to work, to school and to other activities and hopefully it helps us to live in the moment, aware of God's presence in our lives.

Fr. Michael

**2020 FIRST RECONCILIATION/
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND
CONFIRMATION REGISTRATIONS
BEGINNING AUGUST 7 – SEPTEMBER 21, 2019**

Please visit our website www.stmarystarofthesea.ca for information about the registration process and for registration forms and important dates. Thank you.

FIRST FRIDAYS & CONFESSIONS

Additional Mass & Confession times effective September:

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Confessions from 6:30 to 6:45 pm

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

9:00 am Mass followed by Adoration

3:30 pm Benediction and Reposition

6:30 pm – 6:45 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Mass followed by Adoration

9:00 pm Benediction and Reposition

JOIN US THIS FIRST FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL # 11955

FINAL SUMMER BBQ – Sun Sep 15 at 12:00 pm

Our final BBQ of the season will be in September, so plan to stay after Mass to enjoy a delicious BBQ with your fellow parishioners. The menu includes Hamburger or Sausage;; Water, Pop or Juice; Popsicle or Potato Chips. We look forward to serving you – and thank you to all parishioners for your ongoing support !

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL are collecting new and gently used children's shoes for distribution through Dr. Simone's charity, CFFC. Please put the shoes in the bins at the church doors. Your generosity could change a child's life!

St. Luke School is seeking Student Monitors to supervise students during the lunch hour from 11:25 – 12:25. If you are interested please contact the main office at 905-274-2760

**HARVEST YOUR TALENT
MINISTRY FAIR - OCTOBER 5 & 6**

What time and talents do you have to offer to God and to your parish? How is the Lord calling you? On Oct. 5 & 6, the various ministries of St. Mary will welcome you in the hall with displays and information about their ministries, with an invitation to consider joining them. Please plan to stay a few extra minutes after Mass.

“Let us be ‘protectors’ of God’s plan inscribed in Nature.” Pope Francis

Over the last week we have been learning about the global Christian initiative called Season of Creation (September 1st to October 4th) which highlights God’s call for our stewardship of Nature. Last week’s bulletin insert, this week’s meet and greet at the church doors, the bulletin board poster commitment (located at the North and East exits of the church)... all helping us to remember, respect, pray, advocate and act to celebrate creation. Today we join our sisters and brothers around the world in a Day of Prayer. As we lift our collective voices, let us praise God for the web of life. For more information visit seasonofcreation.org, or our church website.

**LINKS TO FAITH - SEPT. 1, 2019
WEEK 35 – MYSTICAL PRAYER IN THE HOLY SPIRIT
– ST. BONAVENTURE**

“St. Bonaventure, known as the Seraphic Doctor, teaches us about mystical or contemplative prayer in the Holy Spirit who enkindles within us a raging fire and carries the soul to God with intense fervor and glowing love.”

To read St Bonaventure’s writing from the Crossroads Initiative website, click on Links to Faith at the bottom of the parish homepage: www.stmarystarofthesea.ca and select Week 35 – Mystical Prayer in the Holy Spirit - St Bonaventure

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will now be setting up the advertisements for our new Church Bulletin. The advertisements, which will make our bulletin possible, will begin in October. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Please call Diana Wynne-Sills at Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING

9:30 am – 4:00 pm Sat. Sept. 21 & Sat. Sept. 28, 2019
122 Rathburn Rd., Etobicoke, ON M9B 2K6

For pastoral visits and to bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish community. No cost, bring your own lunch. To register call Sally Amaral at 416-934-3400 ext. 518 by Sept. 16. More details on poster on bulletin board by Sacristy

**THIS WEEK AT
ST. MARY’S**

SATURDAY 31ST

10:00 am Mass - †Maria Fietta
Requested by the Fietta family
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am Confessions
5:00 pm Mass - †Nicola Piacentino
Requested by the family

SUNDAY 1ST

9:00 am Mass – For the People of the Parish
11:00 am Mass - †James Incerto
Requested by the De Sante family

MONDAY 2ND

9:00 am Mass - Mass for the Unborn
Requested by Mississauga Right to Life

TUESDAY 3RD

NO MASS
7:00 pm Choir practice (Church)
7:00 pm CWL Executive Meeting (SJR)

WEDNESDAY 4TH

10:00 am Craft Group Meeting (SJR)
6:30 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Mass - †Anthony Menezes
Requested by Sandra & David Lawrence
7:45 pm Legion of Mary Meeting (SJR)

THURSDAY 5TH

9:00 am Mass - †Onorato Zilio
Requested by the Zilio family

FIRST FRIDAY 6TH

9:00 am Mass - †Dorothy Galea
Requested by the family
Followed by Adoration
3:30 pm Benediction and Reposition
6:30 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Mass - †Maria & Salvatore & Wendy Andrews
Requested by Joe
Followed by Adoration
9:00 pm Benediction & Reposition

SATURDAY 7TH

10:00 am Mass - †Enriqueta Barcelon
Requested by Wilson H. Tan and family
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am Confessions
5:00 pm Mass - †Domenico Maucieri
Requested by the family

SUNDAY 8TH

9:00 am Mass – For the People of the Parish
11:00 am Mass - †Camil Joseph
Requested by Marie Camille Joseph Pinto