

WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Michael Simoes, who will be the parish Administrator beginning this weekend here at St. Mary Star of the Sea, while I am away on Sick Leave.

Fr. Michael comes from St. Patrick's parish in Markham. He was Ordained to the Priesthood about 4 years ago and brings with him lots of enthusiasm and warmth.

I wish him well and I will keep you all in my prayers.

Fr. Neil

CWL MEMBERSHIP FEES

CWL 2019 membership fees are now due (\$28 – Seniors \$25). You may use the blue envelopes in your Offertory box or a personal envelope and place it in the collection basket at any Mass, any weekend. Please ensure that your name is clearly written on the envelope along with "CWL Membership". If you aren't already a member of the CWL, please join us! Contact Evelyn Wickett, Organization Convener, for more information ([416-919-5351](tel:416-919-5351)).



11:00 AM CHOIR

St. Mary Star of the Sea Choir (11:00 am Mass) is undertaking a new and exciting music program for 2019.



Preparation for Holy Week and Easter is already underway. Success is possible only through the dedication and hard work of choir members. We invite new members for all voice parts to join us at this time (particularly Soprano 2 and Alto). You too could be an active participant in this ministry. Contact: Fergus Egan 905-270-4832.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

John Paul II Council # 11955

February Brunch | Sun Feb 17 at 12:00 pm

The Knights are pleased to bring you the next monthly brunch on Feb 17.

The menu for February will include:

- Eggs, Bacon & Toast, Juice/Coffee/Tea
- Come out to enjoy a hot & delicious brunch with your fellow parishioners. Your support is very much appreciated.

KofC Lottery Tickets | NOW ON SALE

The Knights of Columbus are conducting their annual lottery, benefitting the Special Olympics of Ontario, The Arthritis Society & local charities. Tickets are \$5 each. Generous participation is encouraged for fabulous prizes. Hope to see you on the winning side !!

2019 ENVELOPE BOXES

are arranged in alphabetical order at the back of the Church. Please pick up your box. Envelope boxes that are not picked up will be reassigned. If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please pick up an unassigned box of envelopes from the tables at the side exits of the Church, fill in the form and drop it in the Offertory basket at any weekend Mass and use the envelopes for your contributions to the Church.

COFFEE TIME

This Sunday, February 3, 2019 join us in the parish hall, after the morning Masses, for friendship and refreshments.



SSVP – TAX RECEIPTS

Please be advised that tax receipts for donations made in 2018 can be picked up after all Masses on the weekend of Feb. 9/10. Thank you, as always, for your support.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

– “SHARE THE JOURNEY”



Many thanks again to all parishioners who, in solidarity with refugees and forced migrants, signed the Action Cards last weekend. A total of 233 cards were signed and sent to the Prime Minister. If you were not able to sign because of inclement weather, or if you know of anyone who did not have the opportunity to sign, blank action cards can be found on the tables at all exit doors of the church. Once filled in and signed, cards can be placed in mailboxes, with no postage required. At <https://www.devp.org/en/education/fall2018/materials> action cards can be signed online with no mailing required. Stay tuned for more information about the Solidarity Walk. Please keep migrants and their families in your prayers.

LINKS TO FAITH FEBRUARY 3, 2019

WEEK 5 – A BEGINNERS GUIDE TO ADORATION – LIFE TEEN BLOG

“Then it dawned on me that my whole attitude was wrong. God wasn't forcing me to be there, to spend an hour with Him because I had missed Mass. I was choosing to be there. Did I want to be there? Did I want to spend time with Jesus? I did. So I asked God for the grace to let me sit there with Him, in silence, peacefully.”

To read this article by Caitlin Sica from the LifeTeen.com website, click on Links to Faith at the bottom of the parish homepage: www.stmarystarofthesea.ca and select [Week 5 – A Beginners Guide to Adoration – Life Teen Blog](#)

GIFT OF SECURITIES

Do you have securities that have gone up in value? You can now make your Parish offertory and special collections gift using securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds). You will not have to pay any capital gains on your gift and you will get a tax receipt for the full amount. For more information, please call the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411 or at development@archtoronto.org

COMMUNITY MEAL

Every Friday. Doors open at 5 pm and dinner served at 6:45 pm. All are welcome.

NEW BEGINNINGS

“Behold, I make all things new.” Rev. 21:5

Separated, Divorced? If you are struggling... you don't have to do this alone. *New Beginnings*, is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through, separation and divorce. Together... we explore our *grief*, experience *healing* and renew our *faith*. St. Christopher's – Support Group. Start Date: February 26, 2019 7:00 to 9:00 pm. To register, call Arcangelo Limanni – Program Promoter (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225 alimanni@cfstoronto.com

BIRTHRIGHT CALLING!

Do you have 3 hrs/wk. to dedicate to our unique service? Birthright is a local volunteer organization that works small miracles in the lives of women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy. We work to reduce abortion through love and caring. With community assistance, we help ladies resolve their problems and make good informed choices. We are seeking new volunteers immediately. Training provided. Call 905-273-9409 11 am – 2 pm, or email birthright.mississauga@hotmail.com

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

WIN GREAT PRIZES!

Students aged 14 to 18 are invited to write a 500-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2019. The theme for 2019 is “Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue” (cf. Deuteronomy 16:20). Students should read the below scripture passage and respond to the following statement in the essay:

Christians sometimes commit to prayer and worship, but neglect the poor. Sometimes we pray in church, but act unkindly to others or exploit the environment. Refer to Deuteronomy 16:18-20 and answer:

How can Catholics and Christians of all denominations unite to create a more just society and be examples of Christ's healing grace in a broken world?

First Prize: HP Pavilion x360 laptop, Second Prize: iPad 6th gen. (32 GB), Third Prize : Google Home 2 speaker.

Essays will be edited and published in The Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is February 18, 2019. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or fax it to 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext. 403 or 1-855-441-4077.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

will be celebrated in the Church on Saturday, February 2, 2019 and in parishes on the weekend of February 2/3, 2019. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at 3 pm at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto to celebrate and pray for these consecrated men and women who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

SATURDAY 2ND

10:00 am	Mass – †Gavin Carton Requested by his family
10:30 am	Legion of Mary Meeting (SJR)
Followed by	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am	Confessions
5:00 pm	Mass – For the People

SUNDAY 3RD

9:00 am	Mass – †Marcello De Martin Requested by Erma Barbisan
11:00 am	Mass – †Nicola Di Martino Requested by Maria Di Martino
Coffee in the hall after the morning Masses	

MONDAY 4TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Harvey Sazunic Requested by Vivian MacNeil
7:00 pm	CWL Executive Meeting (SJR)
7:00 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (Hall)

TUESDAY 5TH

NO MASS	
7:00 pm	Choir practice (Church)

WEDNESDAY 6TH

10:00 am	Craft Group Meeting (SJR)
7:00 pm	Mass – Special intention of Benny Lobo Requested by the family
7:45 pm	Legion of Mary Meeting (SJR)

THURSDAY 7TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Fr. Marshal A. Beriault
7:00 pm	Baptism Class (Hall)

FRIDAY 8TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Dorothy Galea Requested by the family
5:00 pm	Community Meal (Hall)

SATURDAY 9TH

10:00 am	Mass – Special intention of Emily Lobo Requested by the family
Followed by	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am	Confessions
5:00 pm	Mass – For the People

SUNDAY 10TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Antonio & Irene Schiavinato Requested by Luigi Barbisan and family
11:00 am	Mass – †Andre & Teresa Nykamp Requested by Clelia Trinca
1:30 pm	Baptisms (Church)