

From the Pastor's desk.....

A month ago, in my bulletin message, I wrote about using the opportunity that summer gives us to grow in our relationship with God. The most important way to do that is through prayer. Although we might not see the results of this quickly, a deep rooted relationship with God through prayer will show in our relationships with one another and in our work. Good work comes from faithful prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains "prayer is the life of the new heart. It ought to animate us at every moment." St. Paul in his letter to the Thessalonians writes that we ought to "pray at all times". This can be quite difficult to achieve, so we need a beginning. The Catechism goes on to explain: "we cannot pray 'at all times' if we do not pray at specific times, consciously willing it. These are the special times of Christian prayer, both in intensity and duration." (CCC 2697)

The specific times that we pray are in the morning and evening, the two pillars of the day. Those two pillars have a firm foundation only when "Sundays, centered on the Eucharist, are kept holy primarily by prayer." Within our Catholic tradition, with our firm foundation being Sunday and the celebration of the Eucharist, we are then guided by the liturgical seasons and the great feasts and solemnities that give us an ebb and flow to our year. (CCC 2698)

Our Sunday worship in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the foundation. Our daily prayers should lead us to our worship on Sunday and send us forth with more fervent prayers. No matter what that prayer looks like, whether it be vocal, meditative or contemplative, our heart is composed and recollected - focused on the Lord and His Will.

With our heart more composed, more recollected on the Lord and His Will then when the summer started, we will notice the difference when we get back to work and school, the regular swing of our daily lives. We will notice God present to us a little bit more in all things.

Fr. Michael

ANNUAL MASS AT ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 AT 10:00 AM

This Mass replaces the one here on Saturday morning, meaning there will be no Saturday morning Mass here, unless we have a downpour. All are welcome.

LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING

Do you feel that God is inviting you to visit the sick, elderly and homebound? At St. Mary's you can join the Eucharist Visitor's Ministry to bring Holy Communion to parishioners unable to attend mass. Please contact Maureen Teixeira, 905-277-3020. Archdiocesan training for this important ministry will take place over two Saturdays - September 21 & 28, 2019 between 9:30 am and 4:00 pm at St. Gregory's parish, Etobicoke. There is no cost to attend but please bring your own lunch. Register by September 16 at https://lpv_training_sept2019.eventbrite.ca or phone Sally Amaral at 416-934-3400 ext. 518. For further information please see poster on bulletin board near parking lot.

PARISH PICNIC

COMING SUNDAY AUGUST 18TH FROM 12:00 - 2:30 PM

Plan to spend a fun afternoon with fellow parishioners at our annual Parish Picnic at Saddington Park (Free Parking) BBQ, games, door prizes at 2:00 pm.

Tickets \$5 or Family Ticket \$20. Tickets on sale July 20 - 21 & 27- 28, August 10 - 11.

Volunteers needed, contact Michael Campbell at bellcamp@rogers.com



FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM JEREMY

To all the parishioners at St. Mary Star of the Sea, I want to express my sincerest thanks for wholeheartedly embracing me in my short summer internship stay at the parish. I appreciate how so many of you supported my vocation by your verbal affirmations and small tokens of love, but especially in the one on one get-togethers where you revealed to me the spiritual needs of the people in this area. Learning about where you are in your personal relationship with Christ, and the next steps you desire to take, have certainly been the highlight of my summer.

Remain open to being formed, do not settle for mediocrity, and keep being generous with what God can do in your life. This is a beautiful parish, and may you help continue bringing it where God wants it to be. You are all in my prayers, and please keep myself and all the seminarians in yours.

2020 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATIONS

BEGINNING AUGUST 7 TO 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.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

AUGUST 14, 2019 AT 7:00 PM

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday August 14, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the following cemeteries:

Assumption, Mississauga; Christ the King, Markham; Holy Cross, Thornhill ; Mount Hope, Toronto; Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge; Resurrection, Whitby and St. Mary's, Barrie.

IN THE EVENT OF RAIN: Mass will be held in the Mausoleums of Assumption, Holy Cross, Resurrection and Queen of Heaven Catholic Cemeteries; Christ the King Catholic Cemetery will celebrate Mass on site in the Reception Centre. Mount Hope Catholic Cemetery to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Avenue, Toronto; St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery to St. John Vianney Parish, 13 Baldwin Lane, Barrie.

LEGION OF MARY

Our next Book Borrow will be held on September 29, 2019 after the morning Masses.

CHANGE IN PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note that our email address has changed to StMaryStaroftheSeaMI@archtoronto.org



SSVP JULY REPORT

We received many requests for assistance. Rent and grocery prices are up, and most of our Neighbours in Need are unemployed, seniors, or on disability insurance. We made 29 home visits, distributing \$3090.62 in vouchers and bus tickets. Thank you for being so generous with your gifts.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL #11955

FINAL SUMMER BBQ – Sun Sep 15 at 12:00 pm
Thank you to all parishioners for your ongoing support at our June & July BBQs.
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 !

CANADIAN MISSIONS COLLECTION

A second collection will be taken up at all the Masses next weekend, August 10 & 11 to be shared between Catholic Missions in Canada and partner Mission Dioceses.

SL ShareLife

Our 2020 ShareLife Parish Campaign has now ended. On behalf of the recipients of ShareLife funding, we thank all who supported this very important campaign that funds Catholic charities.

You are truly living the Gospel by
providing for those in need
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

LINKS TO FAITH – AUGUST 4, 2019

WEEK 31 – HOW TO EASILY READ THE WHOLE BIBLE IN 2019 – BY BRANDON VOGT

“Follow a carefully designed reading plan that will serve you the right parts of Scripture, at the right pace, and at the right time. Some of these plans alternate between Old and New Testament readings, while some also intersperse the Psalms throughout the year to add variation.” I’ve downloaded Read the Bible and the Catechism in One Year – and love it!

To read this great article on how to read the bible, click on Links to Faith at the bottom of the parish homepage: www.stmarystarofthesea.ca and select [Week 31 – How to Easily Read the Whole Bible in 2019 – by Brandon Vogt](#)

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School, the only All Girls Catholic Secondary School in Dufferin-Peel, is relocating to 3566 South Common Court, right beside St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish, for the 2019-2020 school year. We welcome girls from all of Mississauga, Brampton, Caledon, Orangeville, and Dufferin County. For the 2019-2020 school year, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board is funding the cost for busing for all of our students. Registration for new students will continue commencing on August 26th. Please visit our website at <http://www.dpcdsb.org/HNM> for more information. You may visit or call us at 3566 South Common Court, Mississauga, Ontario, L5L 2B1 from August 26th at (905) 458-5541.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

SATURDAY 3RD

10:00 am	Mass – †Tudor Wijegunawardene Requested by Shiranie and Daya
Followed by	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am	Confessions
5:00 pm	Mass – †Fiore De Sante Requested by his family

SUNDAY 4TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Joan Mac Donagh Requested by her husband Fergus
11:00 am	Mass – For the People

MONDAY 5TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Elsie Molloy Requested by Lilia D'Ovidio
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TUESDAY 6TH

NO MASS	
7:00 pm	Choir practice (Church)

WEDNESDAY 7TH

5:00 pm	Compass Summer BBQ (Hall)
7:00 pm	Mass – †Varkey Poranganel Requested by the family
7:45 pm	Legion of Mary Meeting (SJR)

THURSDAY 8TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Muriel Boylan Requested by the family
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FRIDAY 9TH

9:00 am	Mass – †David Spearns Requested by Bernice & Patrick Shaw
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SATURDAY 10TH

10:00 am	Mass – Special intention of Moya Coley 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 11TH

9:00 am	Mass – †Alan del Puerto Jr. Requested by the family
11:00 am	Mass – †Mayleen Rajkumar Requested by Family and Friends
1:30 pm	Baptisms (Church)