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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm & 8:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 9:15 am
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours/Divine Mercy: 1 hour before Masses

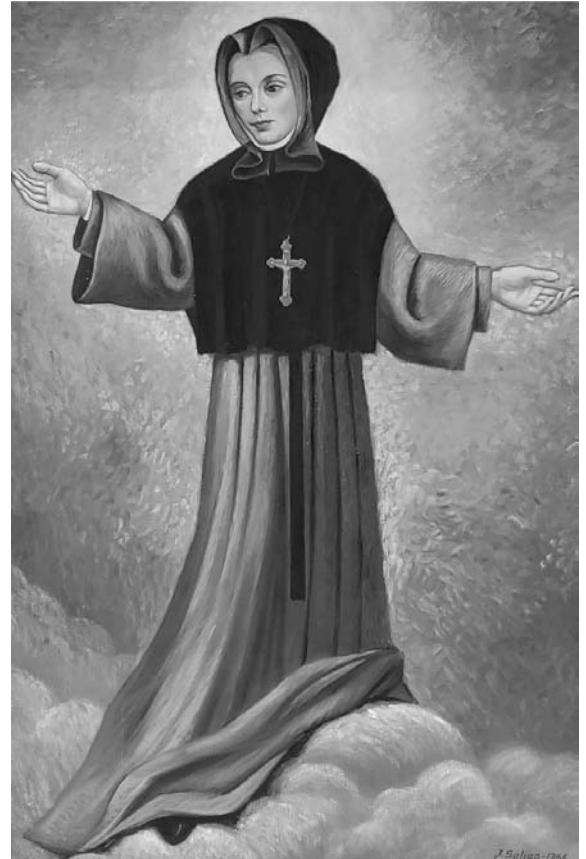
Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion: Wednesdays at 9:15 am

First Friday of the Month: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:15 am Mass till 7:30 pm; Devotions at 6:30 pm; evening prayer
with Benediction 7:00 pm, Mass at 7:30 pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm and by appointment.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Fr. Clair Tipping, 25 Mountainberry Rd.	905-789-1741
Good Shepherd, 28 Red River Dr.	905-791-1039
Our Lady of Providence, 35 Black Oak Dr.	905-458-7080
St. Isaac Jogues, 300 Great Lakes Dr.	905-799-2558
St. John Bosco, 1025 North Park Dr.	905-792-0890
Ven. Michael J. McGivney, 450 Fernforest Dr.	905-792-0630



*"Providence is wonderful, it has means
we cannot understand to relieve
those who put their trust in it,
it provides for everything, in it is my trust."*

PARISH MISSION

Marguerite d'Youville's belief in the guidance and loving involvement of God in her life has enabled her to become God's helping hands in the lives of others. In this same spirit, the parishioners of St. Marguerite d'Youville, nourished by the Word and Sacrament are called by God to foster a community of welcome and service. In union with Christ, we reach out through prayer and active participation within our parish, our schools, our community and beyond. We offer our gifts and talents to everyone in need and respond in faith to the challenges of our ever-changing world.

33ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, NOV 20 9:15 am	Brian Balthazaar †; Vince Alarcon †
TUES, NOV 21 7:00 pm	Angel Valiyaparambil †
WED, NOV 22 9:15 am	Stella, Moris Pinto & deceased family †; Mary & Paul Correia †
THUR, NOV 23 7:00 pm	Alphonsa Joy †; In Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Shelina Jesudhason
FRI, NOV 24 9:15 am	John & Gloria Ostrowski †; Mike & Teresa Commisso †
SAT, NOV 25 9:15 am	Virginia Sinajon †
5:00 PM	William, Josephine Lambe & Deceased Family Members †; Patricia Baptist †; All Souls in Purgatory †; In Thanksgiv- ing - Albert Ramsawak; In Thanksgiving for the 25th Anniversary of the Mission Angels
SUN, NOV 26 9:00 am	Manuel & Geneveva Barbosa †; Eulogio Arena †; In Thanksgiving - Dodge Va- lenciano
10:30 am	Peter Nguyen †
12:30 pm	Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Maria Da Piedade & Joao Borges †
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

The people of Rome, once conquerors of the world, now kneel conquered. We pray for mercy and deliverance. O Attila, you could have no greater glory than to see suppliant at your feet this people before whom once all peoples and kings lay suppliant. You have subdued, O Attila, the whole circle of the lands granted to the Romans. Now we pray that you, who have conquered others, should conquer yourself. The people have felt your scourge. Now they would feel your mercy.

-Pope St. Leo the Great's appeal to Attila the Hun in the year 452

The memorial feast of St. Leo was earlier this month, November 10. This fifth century Pontiff's luminous leadership was already established in guiding the Church through theological controversies when fate confronted him with one of history's most decisive showdowns. Methodically carving his way through Europe, Attila had managed to overpower any opposition that stood in his way. With a vast trail of intimidation and plunder that extended from modern day Russia to the French/German border, Attila's descent upon Rome offered further lucrative enticements to satiate the blood lust of his fellow marauders. In the cited quote, the recorded plea of the elderly St. Leo was far from a capitulation. St. Leo spiritually equipped himself for the confrontation by way of prayer and fasting; St. Leo was going to boldly place his life and the lives of the people in Rome into the hands of Providence. His words appealed to Attila's sense of honour and decency. Amazingly, the humble submission worked. Attila relented in his ransacking of Rome. History records that Attila, while capable of imposing his will upon a weakened Rome, backed off because of a supernatural force. The figures of Peter and Paul, together with a heavenly army, hovered in support over the kneeling St. Leo. Attila declared a truce and returned back to the region of the Danube. How we yearn for an immediate retreat of the barbaric forces that threaten the Church of our day.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This parable is confusing. Who punishes a person for returning property—unharmed—that he was pledged to protect? Where is the justice in taking from the least and giving to those with the most? What kind of person brags about harvesting where he did not plant? And what does this grasping and petulant man have to do with the God whose evenhanded generosity sends rain on the just and unjust alike?



To break open this parable, it helps to remember that Matthew was a Jew speaking to Jews about Jews. Matthew believed that Judaism was a treasure of divine grace for all humanity and that this gift was clearest in Christ. Matthew also believed that the Hebrew Scriptures contained everything necessary to believe in Jesus Christ.

In English, the word *talent* originally meant a "large sum of money," as it does in Greek. Specifically under the influence of this parable, it came over time to mean a "natural capacity for success in some mental or physical activity." This is not what Matthew used it to symbolize. Although our society calls "talents" those gifts that serve fields like art or sport, it is not a flair for painting or pole-vaulting that will provide admission to the master's joy. The "talents" of this week's Gospel passage are rooted in the word and often go overlooked. No one hands out Nobel prizes for generosity, medals of honor for forgiveness or an Olympic gold medal for loving an enemy, but this is more what Matthew had in mind. When we take risks like these, the word grows stronger in us and grows in appeal to others. When the Master returns, he will want to know what we did to further the compassion, humility, freedom and love he entrusted to us. Blessed are those who will place an abundance into his hands.

Fr. Roger

NEXT EDGE NIGHT !!!



Then join us for our next Edge night:
Friday, December 1st
In the parish hall from 7:00pm - 8:30pm.

Anyone wishing to register their child from grades 6 - 8 please pickup a registration from in the church or visit our website. The fee is \$50 and includes a t-shirt and all associated cost with the Edge nights.

For more information email Margaret at
dyouvilleyouth@gmail.com

MONTH OF ALL SOULS REMEMBERING THE DEAD

During the month of November, we are called to pray in a particular way for those who have died. There will be a special Memorial Prayer Box placed in front of the Sanctuary during the month of November. The names of the deceased may be written on the Envelopes provided and placed in the Memorial Prayer Box. During the month of November, the deceased will be remembered at all Masses.



THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST



There will be a second collection this weekend, for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

MISSALS

The 2024 Saint Joseph Sunday Missals are now available for sale in the office for \$5.00 or after Mass on Sundays.

PARISH ENVELOPES

As we approach the end of the year we ask that if you have moved or any of your personal information has changed to let the office know as soon as possible. We will be updating the information so as to get ready for the 2024 parish envelopes.

CONFIRMATION - RITE OF ENROLMENT CEREMONY



Candidates and their families are invited to celebrate the Sunday Eucharist at one of our weekend Masses on November 25/26th (Saturday at 5pm; Sunday at 9am, 10:30am or 12:30pm). In front of our parish community, our Confirmation Candidates will make a formal commitment to receiving the Sacrament and present Fr. Roger with a letter about their favourite story of Jesus. Enrollment letters will go out to the students registered to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in this school year.

THAT MAN IS YOU

Saturday, November 11th at 7:15 a.m. St. Marguerite D'Youville Parish will host our 10th session of "That Man is You" for the men of the parish with the theme, "Why God?". Our keynote speaker will be Professor John Bergsma, a theologian & a Scripture Scholar from Franciscan University! **Come and See!** If you have a scientific background you will be interested in his explanation of "Cosmic Fine Tuning". We will explore the following questions. "Is it a waste of time to discuss whether the world we observe around us points to a God or not?" and "How do we explain our belief in the existence of God to our children?"



THAT MAN IS YOU!

ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION WITH THE FAITHFUL

Our Archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a brief survey by December 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.



ATTENTION LECTORS

There will be a meeting for new and existing Lectors on Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00pm in the main church. We will go through the Lector process and give new members an opportunity to practice before they preach.

SMALL GROUP FAITH MINISTRY

"Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." (Matthew 18:20) If you would like to apply what you have learned from Scripture, teachings, and practical personal reflection questions, join the SGM. For more details, email Olivia Saqui at screeningcommittee.smdy@gmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

New members are always welcome. For more information please contact Alvin at 416-856-2842.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a charitable Catholic organization, active throughout Canada. The work of the society is to assist those in need who live within our parish boundary. If you are in need of assistance please contact the St. Marguerite d'Youville Conference directly at 647-642-4906 or email: vincentdepauls-mdy@gmail.com



THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. We resume our regular meetings on Tuesday September 12th in the Parish Hall. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrob-in22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Meet every Monday at 10.00am. Everyone is welcome to join us whether you knit or would like to learn. For further information contact Mary at 905-915-8765. Any donation of yarn would be greatly appreciated.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary, a world-wide apostolic organization of Catholics, meets every Tuesday: Adults: 6pm and Saturdays at 5pm for the Vietnamese Legion. Our Lady of Fatima statue will visit your home. For more information, please leave message for Lina Go or Annette Fernando at the parish office.

CONFESSION

The schedule of Confessions is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 - 6:45pm, Saturdays from 4:00pm - 4:45pm and by appointment only. **Please be respectful of these times as Father needs time to prepare for Mass. Thank you!**

PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!!!

NOTE: If you use an envelope from a previous year your donation will not be attributed to your name! If you wish to make a donation to the church please use the pink visitors envelopes and make sure you write clearly your full name and address so your donation can be assigned to your name.



Volunteers Needed!



If you are interested in volunteering at the parish, please email Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org with the following information:
1. Your first and last name, phone number and email address.
2. Are you an Adult (18+) or Minor (under 18)
3. Which ministry you are interested in.

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