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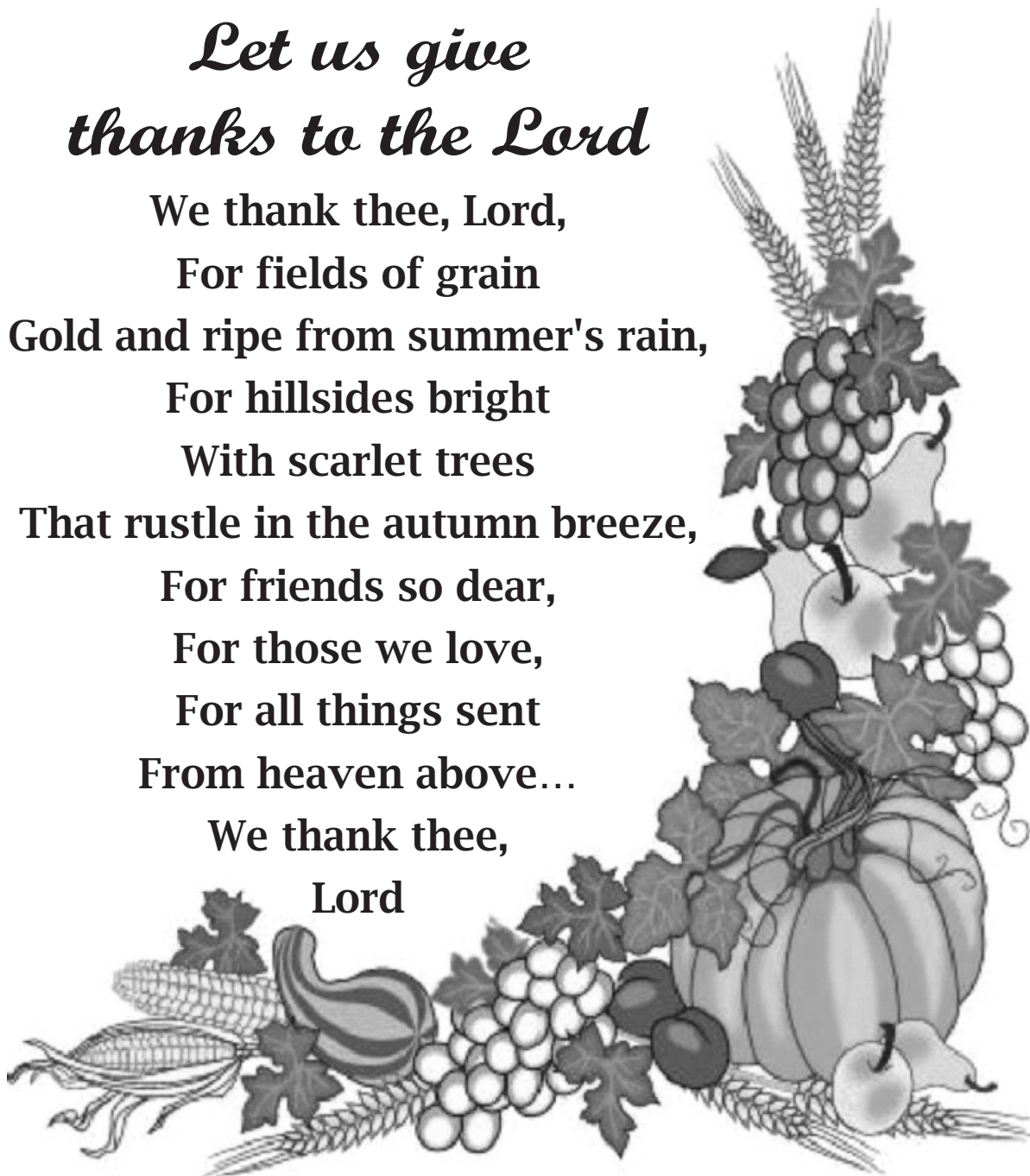
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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,
For fields of grain
Gold and ripe from summer's rain,
For hillsides bright
With scarlet trees
That rustle in the autumn breeze,
For friends so dear,
For those we love,
For all things sent
From heaven above...
We thank thee,
Lord



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MON, OCT 12 9:15 am	Nada Naysun †
TUES, OCT 13 7:00 pm	Vito & Franco Oliveri †; Antonia Vita †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Juliet Go
WED, OCT 14 9:15 am	Armand Dagraca †
7:00 pm	
THUR, OCT 15 7:00 pm	Anthony Ton Va Thong
FRI, OCT 16 9:15 am	In thanksgiving for the 16th birthday of Gabriel Santailla
7:00 pm	Wanda & John Daigle †
SAT, OCT 17 9:15 am	Patrocino Olindan †; Clinton Omana †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Ariel Go
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Lawrence Lobo †; Vincent Alarcon †; Zulmira & Silvino Carreiro †; In thanksgiving - Virgin of Barangay
SUN, OCT 18 9:00 am	Joyce D'Souza †; Lawrence Menezes †
10:30 am	Reynaldo Real †; Weena Panillo †
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan †; Sixto Viduya †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Parents & Siblings of Alberto & Emiliana Ferreira † In thanksgiving - DeSouza family
8:00 pm	Felicitas Gonzaga †

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, October 12th

10:00 am - Stitches from the heart

7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Executive meeting

Tuesday, October 13th

1:00 pm - 55 Plus club

4:30 pm - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese

6:00 pm - Legion of Mary - English

7:00 pm - RCIA

7:00 pm - TMIY

Wednesday, October 14th

7:30 pm - 9am Choir Practice

Thursday, October 15th

7:00 pm - SHE

7:30 pm - 1030am Choir practice

Friday, October 16th

Saturday, October 17th

Sunday, October 18th

I am following with concern the alarming situation in Ceuta, praying to God that, through the intercession of Our Lady of Africa, solutions may be found to bring peace, stability and justice.

Pope Leo XIV, Angelus Address, Aug 2, 2026

The dramatic scenes depicting hordes of young men overwhelming the border of the Spanish administered enclave of Ceuta reached a global audience and triggered panic. The legion of male migrants were seen ignoring city officials, protesting vehemently their right to migrant resources, and eventually raiding local merchants for necessities. Who they were and how they got there were the obvious prominent questions to attempt to diffuse what seemed like a deliberate staged event intended to cause worry in the hearts of Europeans. The aging continent was soon facing capture and conquest and anger was being incited against foreigners. With the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary and the historical memorial of the improbable victory at the Battle of Lepanto having just passed, it is wise to be aware of the long and winding history of clash between the various geographic and ethnic peoples involved: Moors, Berbers, Arabs and Turks. With the world having become vividly aware of the importance of controlling Straits, this Moroccan land adjacent region of Ceuta also has an important and strategic historical significance. Originally wrestled into Portuguese control at the tail end of the Reconquista, the distance to Gibraltar is a mere nautical 35 kilometers. Sensing that further tumultuous times lay ahead, King Joao I, in the year 1415, as part of his military expedition into Cueta, commissioned a statue of Our Lady of Africa. The statue is of Our Sorrowful Mother holding her Son taken down from the Cross. The statue was meant to compliment an even older Marian statue on the southern Gibraltar coast dedicated to Our Lady of Europe. While the rocky passage of time indicates that the much desired peace, stability and justice between the two continents is not always easily achieved, intercession to Our Blessed Mother and her concern for all her children is a key and wise component in finding any lasting solution.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Our Lord's parable in today's Gospel is again a fairly straightforward outline of salvation history.

God is the king, Jesus the bridegroom, the feast is the salvation and eternal life that Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading. The Israelites are those first invited to the feast by God's servants, the prophets. For refusing repeated invitations and even killing His prophets, Israel has been punished, its city conquered by foreign armies.

Now, Jesus makes clear, God is sending new servants, His Apostles, to call not only Israelites, but all people—good and bad alike—to the feast of His kingdom. This is an image of the Church, which Jesus elsewhere compares to a field sown with both wheat and weeds, and a fishing net that catches good fish and bad.

We have all been called to this great feast of love in the Church, where, as Isaiah foretold, the veil that once separated the nations from the covenants of Israel has been destroyed, where the dividing wall of enmity has been torn down by the blood of Christ.

But are we dressed for the feast? Are we clothed in the garment of righteousness? Not all who have been called will be chosen for eternal life, Jesus warns. Let us be sure that we're living in a manner worthy of the invitation we've received.

Fr. Roger



ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE NOVENA

In anticipation of our Feast Day on October 16th, we will begin a Novena in honour of St. Marguerite d'Youville on Wednesday, October 7th. There will be Mass daily at 7:00 pm throughout the Novena, and the Novena prayers will be recited at all Masses leading up to the Feast Day. (Morning Mass will continue a usual on Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 9:15am) We invite everyone to join us in prayer as we prepare to celebrate the feast of our parish patroness, St. Marguerite d'Youville.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION

The information & registration nights took place last week, registration forms will be accepted at the office up until Friday, October 16th. We will not accept any more registrations after that date.



CONFIRMATION

Registration for the 2026-2027 program are now closed. We will not be accepting any more registrations.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish has been assigned to pray at the Vigil site on Sunday, October 25th; park at St. Catherine of Sienna Church where signs affirming the Sanctity of life will be available. You are asked to walk or stand with the sign on the north side of Queensway at Confederation Pkwy, for one hour. There will be a signup sheet in the Narthex. Please come to pray and witness for the unborn who have no voice.

PARISH HEAD COUNT SUNDAY

The weekends of October 17/18 and October 24/25 the Archdiocese is requesting our cooperation to conduct an attendance count at all weekend Masses. The purpose of the count is to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The count is to be conducted during the homily with the hope of providing minimal distraction. Thank you.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. *Thank you for your support of this important work.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We are also looking for RCIA sponsors in the parish, practicing Catholics to help journey with our candidates, those that are past or the journey of becoming Catholic. If you're interested in journeying with one of our candidates, please let the office know and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you.

ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE HIGH-SCHOOL - STEM PROGRAM



Grade 8 Open house and regional STEM night will be held on October 22 2026 at St. Marguerite d'Youville high school (10815 Dixie Rd, Brampton, ON).

Doors Open at 5:30pm;

School Tours – 5:30pm to 6:30pm;

Main Presentation – 6:30pm; Regional STEM Presentation – 7pm

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.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Join us on the 3rd Monday of the month for our General meeting from September - June at 7pm.

For further information please contact league by email at cwl.smdy@gmail.com

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

The Fall Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set. The Course will be held for four consecutive Saturday's October 24th, 31st, Nov 7th & 14th from 12:00pm - 5pm. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Bookstore will be open on: October 3/4 & 17/18. We will resume our regular 1st and 3rd weekend schedule in October. If you are interested in helping in the Bookstore, please email LYeh@archtoronto.org.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one and require support, please contact the Bereavement Ministry by email at Bereavement.smdy@gmail.com

THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Stitches from the heart group will resume on Monday September 14th, 2026. 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.

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: vincentdepaulsmdy@gmail.com



Meet new friends, get connected, and discover what's ahead in our bi-weekly Friday sessions. Registration forms are available in the Narthex and Parish office for Grades 6-8.

**NEXT EDGE NIGHT:
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD FROM 7-8:30PM**

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