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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: Begins with 9:15 AM Mass and is followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the remainder of the day. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm. Adoration concludes at 7:00pm followed by Mass.

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
St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary School	905-789-5560



"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.

MASS INTENTIONS

MON, NOV 23 9:15 am	Honorato Bettencourt †; Rafael Manahan †
TUES, NOV 24 7:00 pm	Trinette Balthazaar †; James McCarthy †; Mr. & Mrs. Marianayagam †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Maria Raposo
WED, NOV 25 9:15 am	Arokianathan Phillip †; Mary Metilda Arokianathan †; Payas Arokianathan †; In thanksgiving – Shane & Sharon
THUR, NOV 26 7:00 pm	Sarah Jane Pacheco †; Joseph Chavara †; Fr. Joseph C †; In thanksgiving for the birthday of Shelina Jesudhason & Ian Wijeyeratne
FRI, NOV 27 9:15 am	Rudolf Mathias †
SAT, NOV 28 9:15 am	Francis Pinto †; For the health and intentions of Zelia Maria & family
5:00 pm	Alphonsa Camoens †; Vincent Alarcon †; Raymond Coelho †; Thomas D'Silva †; Maria Cruz †; Mr. & Mrs. Charles †; William & Josephine Lambe & all deceased family members
SUN, NOV 29 9:00 am	James & Celine Pinto †; Vra George †; Valentina Bataan †; Alladin Torres †; Taciana Lilley †
10:30 am	Gerardo Compierchio †; Austin Pickett †; Shamy Dias †; Antonio Practicante †; Deceased members of the Chazhoor family †; Ceccelio Arsenio
12:30 pm	Angelito Olindan†; Maria Raposo †; Juanito & John Elmer Go †; Sixto Viduya †; Jing de Leon †; Johnas Benans †
8:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

THIS WEEK AT SMDY

Monday, November 23rd
10:00 am – Stitches from the heart
7:00 pm – Knights of Columbus General Meeting
7:00 pm – CWL General meeting

Tuesday, November 24th
1:00 pm - 55 Plus club
4:30 pm - Legion of Mary - Vietnamese
6:00 pm - Legion of Mary - English
7:00 pm - TMIY

Wednesday, November 25th
7:00 pm – Baptism Class
7:30 pm - 9am Choir Practice

Thursday, November 26th
7:30 pm - 1030am Choir practice

Friday, November 27th

Saturday, November 28th
7:00 am - TMIY

Finally, whether you are citizens of America, or citizens of the world, ask of us here, the same high standards of strength and sacrifice, which we ask of you. With a good conscience, our only sure reward with history, the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking his blessing and his help, but knowing that here on Earth, God's work must truly be our own.
- Concluding paragraph of John Fitzgerald Kennedy's inaugural address, 1961

On the 63rd anniversary of the assassination of America's first Catholic president this day of November 22, despite the passage of time, the mystery of which heinous conspirators were behind his demise remains unresolved. The cited quote also coincides with November's liturgical reflection on the final realities of judgment of one's life before God. What immediately preceded the quote was JFK's trademark, "ask not what you can do…". The iconic phrase unleashed a genuine wave of national pride and inspired many across the country to offer their lives in dedicated service. It very much represented a high-water mark of Catholicism in the United States. From the impoverished arrival of the famine stricken Irish a century ago to the rise to presidency was a phenomenal turn of events. JFK's father, Joseph Kennedy, was a highly successful businessman and financier who parlayed his fortune into positioning his family for political dominance. His son's intelligence, charm, and good looks propelled him to win a senate seat at the age of 35. The family had connections with high-ranking clergy, politicians and celebrities. John Kennedy's 1953 wedding to Jacqueline Lee Bouvier in the parish of St. Mary's in Rhode Island was unparalleled in liturgical elegance, decorative beauty, and influential attendees. The beginning of his presidency also coincided with the initial planning stages of the Second Vatican Council. The prevailing sentiment was that, if law and justice were fairly applied to all, Catholics would genuinely have a well-founded hope to thrive in matters of faith, education, commerce and culture. The social teachings of the Church were perceived to be the solid grounds of a healthy, viable society. Regrettably, sinister enemies lurking in the shadows schemed to derail what seemed to be so promising. On a Sunday where we honour the Kingship of Jesus Christ, we are reminded of the ongoing struggle to work on earth as it is in heaven.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today on the feast of Christ the King we reflect on the idea od kingship. The whole notion of kingship is an odd one for someone living in the early 21st century, at least it is for me. What does kingship even mean to me? As a Canadian, I am technically governed by a monarch, but the monarch is almost strictly a figurehead in terms of government and law-making. Most monarchies today have little or no impact on the daily lives of their subjects. A King or a Queen is mostly a relic, a tradition that ties one to the past of a country but has little impact on the actual ruling of a people.

So the root image of "The Solemnity of Christ the King" needs an act of imagination on my part to transform the images that regularly reside in my mind when I think of monarchy: weak, ineffectual, meaningless, rich figureheads; or cruel, unjust, petty thugs. The one has no actual power, the other only misuses power.

Yet, the desire for a King, a righteous King, the one to rule perfectly, is what lies behind the Israelite desire for Kingship. It is, I would argue, what lies behind all of our desire for government. We continue to elect leaders, as we must and should, in the hopes that they will lead us to the Promised Land and then feel betrayed when either they become entangled in ethics violations, make stupid decisions, or fall short of expectations. If it is true, though, that "our hearts are restless until they rest in thee, O Lord" (Confessions, Book 1), then our yearnings here in the City of Man must have their true desire in the City of God. We need, we want God to rule us because he is the perfect King.

Fr. Roger

IMPORTANT!



As we approach the end of the year, we kindly ask parishioners who have moved or had any changes to their personal information to notify the parish office as soon as possible. We will be updating our records in preparation for the 2027 Parish Envelopes. Thank you for helping us keep our parish records up to date!

REMINDER: DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!!!

If you use envelopes from a previous years 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 or pick up a set for this year at the parish office during office hours.

CONFIRMATION - RITE OF ENROLMENT CEREMONY

This weekend, we warmly welcome our Confirmation candidates and their families as they celebrate the Sunday Eucharist with our parish community.

During Mass, our candidates will make a formal commitment to preparing for and receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will also present Fr. Roger with a letter sharing their favourite story of Jesus. Let us keep these young people in our prayers as they continue their journey of faith.

Come, Holy Spirit, guide these young hearts as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Fill them with your wisdom, courage, and joy. Strengthen their faith, deepen their love for God, and help them recognize your presence in their lives. May they grow as faithful disciples, shining your light in all they do. Amen.

MONTH OF ALL SOULS REMEMBERING THE DEAD

During the month of November, we are especially invited to pray for our deceased loved ones. A Memorial Prayer Box will be placed in front of the Sanctuary throughout the month. Parishioners are invited to write the names of their deceased loved ones on the envelopes provided and place them in the box.

All those whose names are submitted will be remembered in prayer at every Mass throughout the month of November as we entrust our beloved deceased to the loving mercy of God.

THE SOUNDS OF BETHLEHEM

The Choirs and Band of St. Marguerite d'Youville invite you to a special Fundraising Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 6th, from 4:00–6:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music as we celebrate the joy and spirit of the Christmas season! Tickets go on sale November 21/22 after all Masses. $10 per person; $30 per family (3–5 children)

Join us for this special musical celebration and help support our parish choirs and band. We look forward to seeing you there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- The Knights of Columbus are holding Christmas Dinner and Dance Fundraiser on December 12th in the Parish Hall. The cost per ticket is only $ 35 per person and includes dinner with a cash bar, prize draws and live music. Tickets will be available after weekend masses on Nov. 21st and 22nd or by contacting kofc15612@gmail.com
- Knights will also be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn signs for $ 10 beginning Nov. 29th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering at the parish, please email Linda at LYeh@archtoronto.org with the following:

1.Your first and last, 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

Congratulations to our lucky winners from yesterday's fundraiser and bake sale!

- Basket #1: Albano
- Basket #2: Magdalena
- Candy Jar: Michelle

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our CWL fundraiser and bake sale. Your generosity and support was greatly appreciated and help us continue our work in the parish and community.

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

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

PARISH BOOK STORE

The Bookstore will be open on: Nov 7/8 & 21/22. If you are interested in helping in the Bookstore, please emailLYeh@archtoronto.org.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

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

THE 55+ CLUB

Next weekend, the 55 Plus Club will be hosting a raffle. Please show your support for our club by participating. Thank you for your generosity and support!

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 meet after the 9:15 am Mass on Mondays. 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

EDGE

SMDY Youth Group
Grades 6 to 8

Meet new friends, build connections, and grow in faith! Join us for our bi-weekly Friday sessions filled with fun, fellowship, and exciting opportunities to discover what's ahead. Registration forms are available in the Narthex and Parish Office.

NEXT EDGE NIGHT:
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH FROM 7-8:30PM

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