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# A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle with hunger and want.
Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.
Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.

Amen

# Mass for the Intentions Week

Sat. Oct. 11 5:00 + Reno & Silvana Savelli

reg by Lucille Savenirs & family

Sun. Oct. 12 9:00 Multiple Intention Mass

- + Giuseppe & Angela Scanga
- + Albin Francelj
- + Domenic, Peter & Diana Citano
- + Armando & Ida Occhiuzzi
- + Carmine Carpino
- + Bradie Fox

Souls in Purgatory

#### 11:00 All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

Tue. Oct. 14 8:30 + Raymond Gauvin req by Jeanne Gauvin & family

Wed. Oct. 15 8:30 + Bruno Bertolo req by Linda Bertolo

Thur. Oct. 16 8:30 Multiple Intention Mass

- + Donato Cappuccitti
- + Cyril Turgeon
- + Thivyan Manoharan & Sebastian Sylvester (*Int*) Ginny Dolighan

Fri. Oct. 17 8:30 + Tusanti Munusami

req by Llyod & Juliet Munusami

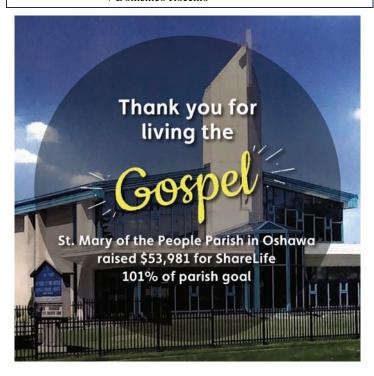
Sat. Oct. 18 8:30 + Art Iezzi req by Anna Maria Iezzi

5:00 + Frank Bradica req by Iva Bradica & family

Sun. Oct. 19 9:00 All Parishioners of St. Mary of the People

#### 11:00 Multiple Intention Mass

- + Joseph Pender
- $+ \ Jim \ Cushnan$
- + Raffaele Guglielmo
- + Cecilia Timperley
- + Roque & Ronel Pacilan
- + Alfredo & Hermogina Sugarol
- + Domenico Rocchio





**Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life. In today's Gospel, Jesus heals ten lepers, but only one—a Samaritan—returns to give thanks. His gratitude leads him to worship, and in turn, Jesus offers him the greater gift of salvation.

We, too, receive countless blessings from God—life, faith, mercy, and daily graces—yet we often forget to return and give thanks. Gratitude opens our eyes, deepens our faith, and draws us into true worship of God.

Everything is a gift. Gratitude is our response. And gratitude leads us to salvation.

Happy Thanksgiving Day!

#### THANKSGIVING MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP LEO

"On the occasion of our upcoming Thanksgiving celebrations, I am reaching out to wish you all Happy Thanksgiving. This holiday offers us a sacred time and unique opportunity to rediscover the spirituality of gratitude and renew our commitment to living a life rooted in thanksgiving. When viewed in the light of the Holy Jubilee Year of Hope, Thanksgiving becomes more than a familiar or cultural clebration, it becomes a profound expression of our relationship with God, the giver of all good gifts." For the full letter, visit our website or check bulletin board.

#### PARISH LIFE

- ♣ BAPTISM SUNDAY: We joyfully welcome JONAS ALEXANDER MUSA into Catholic family through Sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations to his parents, godparents, and loved ones! May God bless Jonas and guide him always in faith, hope and love.
- **THANKSGIVING DAY**: Monday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> The parish office will be closed. We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!
- **SACRAMENTAL PREP REGISTRATION IS OPEN:**For more information please visit our website or call the office. **First Communion** first session will be on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:15pm in the parish hall.

Confirmation first session will be on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm in the parish hall

PRIESTS' SEMINAR: Monday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Fr. Joel will be attending the Week I. Fr. Bollo will celebrate the Wednesday and Thursday 8:30am Masses.

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND

Since 1922, the Pontifical Missions Societies through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith has supported the temporal needs of missions as well as created awareness of the work of the missions throughout the world. Some examples of projects include: building churches, pastoral centers, cathedrals damaged by tsunamis and earthquakes, religious houses of formation, homes for the clergy, formation programs for lay missionaries, radio and television production, audio-visual materials for remote mission areas as well as support of pastoral work in various rural dioceses. For more information please visit the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: www.missionsocieties.ca.



**EXECUTIVE MEETING**: Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the parish hall.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Join us the first and third Saturdays of each month for a Bible study hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Open to all men of the parish, the Bible study will be held in the parish boardroom on the north side of the Church at 10:30 am until approximately 11:30. Refreshments will be served afterwards. The second Bible study for the fall will take place on October 18<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you there.

**GENERAL MEETING**: Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, Mass at 7:00 PM followed by meeting in the parish hall.

<u>2025 OKTOBERFEST</u> – **Saturday, October 25**<sup>th</sup>. Cocktails start at **6:00 pm** with a **cash bar**, followed by a dinner at **6:30 pm**. Tickets are \$50 per person.

<u>WEBSITE:</u> Please check out our website: https://kofc8611.org *Have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving!* 

#### **VOCATION SEEDS**

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca.

#### **SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT de PAUL**

This report shows the total amount we received in donations verses the value of food, clothing, and furniture vouchers we gave to needy families during the months of June, July & August.

**DONATIONS**: Poor Box: \$667.00 Other: \$4,022.00 **Total Donations: \$4,689.00** 

Value of assistance to needy families: \$12,499.00

**Number of Families helped: 107** 

The continued financial support we receive in poor box donations at the front doors of the church is very much appreciated. This is our primary source of funds.

Gifts of \$20.00 or more will be receipted for income tax purposes. Place your donation in an envelope marked Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Remember to include your full name and address so a receipt can be prepared and sent to you at year-end.

#### ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL

The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2026. St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7 to 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on *Thursday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 21* beginning at 7 p.m. St. Michael's College School offers a generous Financial Assistance Program that provides financial aid to qualifying students, please register at apply at <a href="mailto:applySMCS.com">applySMCS.com</a>.



<u>CWL Regional General Meeting</u> - Thursday, October 16 at St. John the Evangelist in Whitby starting with Mass at 7:00 p.m. All members are welcome.

<u>CWL 3-Course Christmas Dinner</u> - Sunday, December 7 at Bella Notte Ristorante in Whitby at 12:30 p.m. Cost \$50.00 inclusive. Deadline for tickets is Nov. 25. For information or to order your ticket contact Rita at 905-725-3769 or jakyms@rogers.com.

<u>Bazaar Raffle Tickets</u> - Books of raffle tickets are available at all church doors. Returns may be brought to the Religious Articles Room or placed in the collection basket at Sunday Mass.

<u>"FEED THE NEED"</u> – <u>THANK YOU</u> to everyone who contributed to our food drive last weekend. A total of 206 pounds of food and \$220.00 in cash was collected. These donations amounted to 612 meals for the needy. Your generosity is greatly appreciated especially at Thanksgiving.

#### Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!



The choir sings at 11:00 AM Mass on Sundays. They meet every Wednesday evening at 7:15 PM in the choir loft for rehearsal. New members are always welcome. (use church entrance south side)

# RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ROOM IS OPEN AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

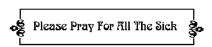
Gifts of St. Peregrine Medal to one fighting cancer, St. Michael to Policemen or Firefighters, John Paul II for Parkinson's, Dymphna for anxiety, Gerrard for pregnant/new moms. Call Joey at (905) 576-3386 or (905) 439-9047 (cell) for inquiries.

#### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES**

All Souls' Day, also called The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the Faithful Departed. Through prayer, intercessions, alms and visits to cemeteries, people commemorate their loved ones that have passed. Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 8, 2025 at 2 p.m. Mass will be held indoors at:

#### Whitby - Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum

More information can be found here: https://www.catholic-cemeteries.ca/news/all-souls-day-mass-saturday-november8-2025-at-200-pm/ **All are welcome!** 



Anne Scholtes Kim St. John Mark Lyons John Margach Alda Power Ryan Steh

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