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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
8:00 am (Mass in Portuguese the second Sunday of the month.)
10:00 am, 12:00 pm
4:30 pm (Spanish Mass for Migrant Workers)
6:30 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00pm
Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 8:00am to 8:30am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

MARRIAGE

Please contact Father John at jpak@archtoronto.org

HOLY COMMUNION for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us.

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

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Among Friends (Ministry for grieving women)
Catholic Moms Group
Catholic Moms and Tots
CWL (Catholic Women's League)
Consolation and Hope
EDGE Youth Ministry
El Sembrador - Ministry to Migrant Workers
Knights of Columbus
LifeTeen Youth Ministry
Liturgical Ministers
Nossa Senhora De Fatima
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Rosary Apostolate
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Santissima Divinidade
Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you join our parish family; we invite you to register by completing the form in the parish foyer or at the parish office. Offering envelopes available by request.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, August 7, 9:00AM – CIVIC HOLIDAY

+Clara Gomes & Celia Gomes +Mary Gres + Michael & Gabriela Mongillo *Special Intention for Zyla Rhea Mongillo

TUESDAY, August 8, 9:00AM

+Manuel da Silva

WEDNESDAY, August 9, 7:00PM

+Joao Perna

THURSDAY, August 10, 9:00AM

+Manuel Da Silva

FRIDAY, August 11, 7:00PM

+Angelo Tarantino

SATURDAY, August 12, 9:00AM

*ProPopulo

SATURDAY, August 12, 5:00PM

+For All Deceased Oliveira & Cabral Family Members +Filomena Di Re +Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa +David Harrison +Pedro Viana +Luis & Maria Barroso +Joao Semiao +Mac Kennedy +Alberino Iannuccilli

SUNDAY, August 13, 8:00AM,

*ProPopulo

SUNDAY, August 13, 10:00AM,

+Augusta Barros & Joao Gomes Faria

SUNDAY, August 13, 12:00PM,

+Jose Rodrigues

SUNDAY, August 13, 4:30PM – El Sembrador

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SUNDAY, August 13, 6:30PM

+Alojzia & Tibor Sarach



FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Will be held on Friday September 1, 2023,
at 7:30pm following the 7:00pm Mass

ShareLife

It is through your support that ShareLife agencies are able to help the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Our ShareLife campaign goal is \$53,000.00. To date we have raised \$34,381.00 Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

CIVIC HOLIDAY LONG WEEKEND

Please note that on Monday August 7, 2023, Mass will be at 9:00am and the parish office will be closed. Wishing you a safe and festive long weekend!

REFLECTION

[Mark 9:5-7](#)

Just prior to the Transfiguration, Jesus began to reveal to His disciples that He would suffer greatly, be rejected by the elders, be killed and then rise on the third day. This caused much fear for the disciples as they grappled with this unsettling revelation from our Lord. And even though Jesus remained firm with them and even rebuked Peter for his fear, Jesus also gave three of His disciples a very precious gift.

After much traveling, preaching, miracle working and private conversations about His passion with the Twelve, Jesus invited Peter, James and John to go with Him up a high mountain to pray. These disciples most likely had no idea what they would soon encounter. As they made the difficult and arduous journey, their minds must have been pondering not only the mighty deeds done by Jesus in the previous months but also His words about the suffering to come. As they struggled with this, much to their amazement, Jesus “was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white.” Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared before them, representing the Law and the prophets. These two Old Testament figures appeared as a way of saying to these disciples that everything that Jesus was telling them was to take place to fulfill all that had been foretold about Him from of old. Perhaps Jesus thought that if His disciples would not fully listen to Him, then seeing Moses and Elijah would help. But Jesus went even further. The Voice of the Father Himself thundered and said, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Thus, if these disciples would not ultimately listen to Jesus alone, or if even Moses and Elijah failed to convince them, then the last hope was the Father Himself. And Jesus delivered such a grace.

The Transfiguration was a true mercy. These disciples had never seen anything like it before. But it was most likely this act of mercy that ultimately helped them to accept the hard truth that Jesus was trying to teach them about His coming suffering and death. If the Father in Heaven personally gave witness to Jesus, then everything that Jesus had said was trustworthy.

Although we will not see the Transfigured Lord with our eyes and hear the Voice of the Father with our ears as these three disciples did, we must choose to believe all that God has said as if it were the Transfigured Lord, with Moses and Elijah, and the Father Himself speaking clearly and directly to us. “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Those words were not only spoken for the good of the disciples, they are also spoken to us.

Reflect, today, upon this powerful experience given to these disciples by our Lord. Try to place yourself in the scene. Allow the Father to speak also to you, telling you that all He has spoken through the Scriptures, the Church and within your own conscience is true. Allow this revelation to convince you on the deepest level to acknowledge not only the divinity of Jesus but also to “Listen to Him” in every way. Catholic News Agency2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Transfiguration of the Lord | August 6, 2023

MISSION CO-OP FOR DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE IN THE PHILIPPINES – August 19 & 20, 2023

Diocese of San Jose, Nueva Ecija in the Philippines was created on February 16, 1984, and inaugurated on July 14, 1984. Present Ordinary is Most Reverend Roberto Mallari, DD. It comprises the City of San Jose, the Science City of Munoz and 12 other municipalities in Northern Province of Nueva Ecija in Central Luzon. The 21 Parishes are still mission territories composed mostly of hard-working farmers, producing rice, onions, garlic and vegetables. There are 40 Diocesan Priests and 10 Religious Clergy administering the 21 Parish Communities and 3 Mission Stations. There are also 25 religious sisters from 7 different Religious Congregations. On the weekend of August 19 and 20, 2023, Father Manny Guico will conduct Mission Appeals at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish. In order to support and sustain these Pastoral Programs, Diocese of San Jose, Nueva Ecija will rely on your generosity and financial support. Offering envelopes labelled “Mission Co-op” will be made available in the Church foyer for this Mission. Thank you for your support. May God bless you a hundredfold!

WITH HUMBLE THANKS

The World Youth Day BBQ Fundraising Event was a great success! It was truly beautiful to see our parish community come together enjoying the food, games, music and most importantly, each other’s company. Thank you to all who supported and attended this event and to all those who volunteered. Your kindness and generosity is humbling. May God bless each of you and your families.

FREE EVENT!!!!!!

FAMILY

MOVIE NIGHT

Friday August 11, at 7:40pm Parish Hall

FEATURING: **SUPER MARIO BROS.**

Pizza, Popcorn, and Beverages available for purchase

To Register: Please contact Eduardo Meneses at: emeneses@archtoronto.org

FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP MEETING

All are invited to our Faith and Fellowship evenings, where each day we cover a different topic of Catholic theology. Come learn and share about our beautiful Catholic faith!

Format: Fellowship, video presentation, group discussions

Location: Parish Hall

Date: 2nd meeting - Tuesday August 8

Time: From 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Note: This is a free event and no registration is necessary.

For parents with young children, our large meeting room is available for childcare and activities to give parents the opportunity to participate. For more information please

email emeneses@archtoronto.org



Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 7:00pm**

Cemetery Location and celebrations for this year’s Mass are as follows:

Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga:

Most Rev. Frank Leo, Archbishop of Toronto

Christ the King Cemetery, Markham:

Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill:

Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto:

Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB

Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge:

Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri

Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby:

Rev. Fr. Dominic Barber

St. Mary’s Cemetery, Barrie: Rev. Fr. Laurence J. Leger

In the Event of Rain, Masses will be held In:

Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum at Assumption Cemetery

Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery

St. Anthony’s Mausoleum at Queen of Heaven Cemetery

Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery

Christ the King Cemetery will celebrate Mass in the Reception Center at the cemetery office

Mount Hope Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica’s Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto

St. Mary’s Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Mary’s Parish, 65 Amelia Street in Barrie

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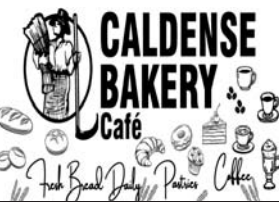
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