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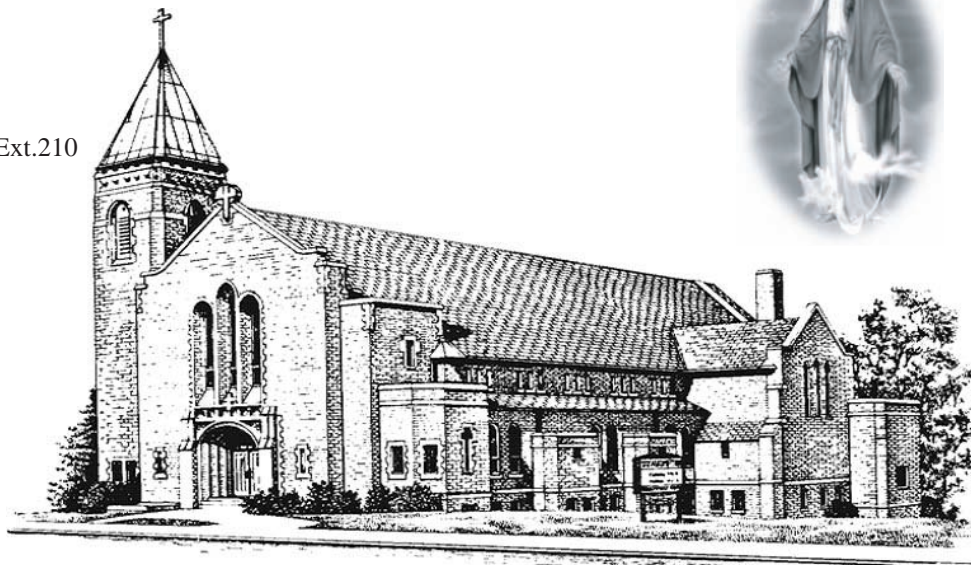
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday — 5:00pm

Sunday — 10:00am; 12:00Noon

5:00pm (Filipino); 7:00pm

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WEEKEDAY MASSES

Tuesday — Friday — 7:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday — 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturday — 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Or upon request

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DEVOTIONS

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Our Mother of Perpetual Help

(Wednesday)

St. Jude (Thursday)

Divine Mercy (Friday)

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office 2 months in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is a prerequisite.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please notify the parish office.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday — CLOSED

Tuesday — Friday

9:00am — 12:00noon

Closed for Lunch

1:00pm — 5:00pm

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Welcome, new parishioners! We invite new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms, Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) forms and donation envelopes are available at the entrances of the church and at the parish office. Please drop completed forms into the collection basket or at the parish office.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, CYCLE A

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



February 20th—26th, 2023

Monday, February 20th

No Mass

Tuesday, February 21th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Wednesday, February 22nd

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm—Geronimo Fulgencio

Thursday, February 23rd

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Friday, February 24th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Saturday, February 25th

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, February 26th

10:00am—Jose Adonis Montecastro

12:00Noon—Community of

Our Lady of Assumption

Dorris and James Kuhn

5:00pm (Tagalog)—Vivian Rivera

Julita Nitoral

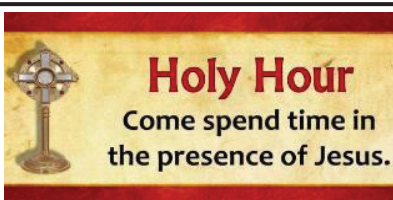
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Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as the new Archbishop of Toronto.

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo, currently Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal, as the 14th Archbishop of Toronto. The archbishop-designate succeeds Cardinal Thomas Collins, who has served the archdiocese since 2007.

The new archbishop will be installed at a ceremony at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on March 25, Saturday at 10am. During this time of transition in the archdiocese, we give thanks for Cardinal Collins and his service to the Church and welcome Archbishop-designate Leo, who will be joining the community very soon. Please continue to keep these shepherds close in prayer in the days ahead.



HOLY HOUR RESUMES

Friday, March 3rd, 2023

at 6:00pm-6:45



VOCATION CORNER

You are the body of Christ, every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact: **Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997. email: vocations@archtoronto.org. www.vocationstoronto.ca**



Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.



Offertory Collection

Sunday Collection—\$9,146.00

Thank you for your generous hearts!



Thank You for Your Financial Support

If you are unable to join us for mass at this time please consider the options of either through our [Pre-Authorized Giving Program](#), or an electronic donation by credit card through the "Donate Now" button at the top right corner of the Archdiocese of Toronto [website](#). For information, Please call the parish office at 416-787-4547.



Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2023

Saturday March 4 – 9 a.m. to 5:30

p.m. EST Metro Toronto Convention

Centre North Building, 255 Front

Street West, Toronto



WHAT IS ASH WEDNESDAY?

Ash Wednesday (from the Latin *Dies Cinerum*, meaning "Day of Ashes") is the first day of Lent. On this day, Christians focus intensely on their utter and complete sinfulness and the necessity of Christ's suffering and death to earn their salvation. Ashes are referred to many times in the Old Testament as a sign of sorrow, mourning, repentance, and mortality (see 2 Samuel 13:19; Esther 4:1-3; Job 42:6; and Jeremiah 6:26). Many churches use ashes during Ash Wednesday worship as part of a rite called the Imposition of Ashes. According to this ancient custom, ashes (traditionally made by burning palm fronds **used on Palm Sunday of the previous year**) are mixed with a small amount of olive oil and applied to the forehead of each worshipper. This mark, in the sign of a cross, can be a powerful reminder of our depraved and sinful nature and total dependence on God for forgiveness and salvation.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Holy Mass and Distribution of Ashes

February 22nd, 2023 at 7:00pm

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

JOIN US

Every Friday at

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 6:15pm

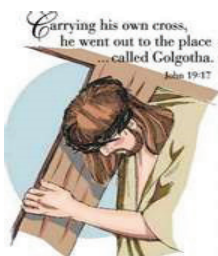
HOLY EUCHARIST at 7:00pm

What do you do for Lent?

Few Suggestions:

Daily Prayers, Holy Rosary, reading the Scriptures, Daily Masses, Charitable acts, Sacrament of Confession and Visiting the Blessed Sacraments.

**PRAYER-FASTING-ALMS
GIVING**



Sunday Reflection.....



My command to you is: love your enemies, pray for your persecutors. (Matthew 5:38-48)

The last two antitheses offered in the Sermon on the Mount deal with love of enemies. We should not look at "an eye for an eye" as an inordinately strict punishment. It is actually meant to limit acts of revenge by making sure the punishment is not excessive but fits the crime. However, Jesus asks his followers to take a different approach by resisting retaliation altogether. The response to a stronger person who slaps us on the cheek, takes us to court, or demands a service of us is not to resist. Similarly, for a weaker person, such as a beggar or borrower, we are to give him or her what he or she asks for. Those who are called to the Kingdom of Heaven are to go beyond the way the world usually works and serve God's kingdom here on earth.

The other difficult demand of those who are called to the kingdom is to embrace the enemy. There is no command in the Old Testament to hate individuals in a personal or vindictive way. But there is a religious stance that calls one to hate evil and to distance oneself from those who participate in evil. In contrast, Matthew emphasizes that love of God and love of neighbor are the fundamental commands on which all else depend. Because God's love is unconditional, we are to strive to love as God does, though, of course, it is challenging. Is it even possible?

The key is in the final verse. We are to be perfect as our heavenly father is perfect. Matthew uses the Greek word *telos*, which is probably better translated here as "complete." We are not to be perfect as in doing everything correctly, that is, as in being absolutely morally correct. We are to be perfect as in striving to reach the completeness we are called to in the Kingdom of Heaven. Attempting to love our enemies is part of striving for that completeness.



PILGRIMAGE 2023

Fatima, Lourdes and Spain

September 17-30, 2023

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