

St. Joseph Parish

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UNITY IN DIVERSITY

"Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We *Journey with St. Joseph*"

Pastor: Fr. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
Secretary & Finance: Erma Relunia
Custodian: Allan Cobham

MASS TIMES:
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am
Wednesday & Friday 7:00 pm
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 9:30am to 12:30pm
Wednesday: 5:00pm - 7:00pm & Office is closed on Fridays.

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Music Ministry:
Megan Montifar, Daniel Mehdizadeh and Eric Fahn

Sacrament of Baptism:
Celebrated on Sundays at 2:30pm or during Sunday Mass.
Please contact the office for more details.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday before the vigil mass or on request anytime.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Parish Council
Children's Liturgy	Prayer Group
Collection Counters	Refugee Sponsorship
Communion to the Sick	Sacristans
Eucharistic Ministries	Seniors Group
Finance Council	Social Justice
Fundraising Committee	St. Vincent de Paul
Girl Guides	Youth Group
Hospitality	Ushers/Usherettes
Knights of Columbus	
Lectors	
Liturgical Planners	
Music Ministry	

** If you feel called to serve the church through any of these ministries, please call the parish office.**

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please contact the office for more information.

Ministry to and Anointing of the Sick:
Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, hospital or in a nursing home so that we can minister to them.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 416-546-4044

New members please register at the office.

St. Joseph's School: 416-393-5209

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR B: JANUARY 14, 2018

On the **Second Week of Ordinary Time**, John's Gospel offers us the story of the calling of the first two disciples. He asks them what they are looking for and when they ask where he lives, he invites them, "Come, and you will see."

Wednesday is the **Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbott**.

During the week we continue with the **First Book of Samuel**. We hear God's rejection of Saul as king. Then Samuel anoints the youngest of Jesse's sons, the shepherd boy David, as king. David kills the Philistine, winning victory for the people, in the name of the Lord. Saul becomes jealous of David and plans to kill him but Saul's son, Jonathan, changes his mind. David does not kill Saul when he finds him alone in a cave but lets him go. Saul is killed in a battle and David grieves.

As we begin **Mark's Gospel** Jesus is asked why his disciples don't fast. He challenges the religious leaders to have a completely open mind and heart to his teaching because "new wine is poured into fresh wineskins." Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath, bringing a new freedom. It is only chapter three in the gospel, but because Jesus heals a withered hand on the Sabbath, the Pharisees already seek to kill him. Jesus withdraws and people from the surrounding regions come to him, and even the demons know who he is. Jesus names twelve Apostles to be with him, to preach and to drive out demons. Jesus' relatives think he's "out of his mind" because so many people are coming to him that he can't even eat.

Next Sunday is the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The readings include the wonderful story from **Mark's Gospel** repeated from last week's weekday readings: Jesus calls Simon, Andrew, James and John. "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Daily Prayer This Week

Ordinary Time is the longest Season of the Church year. This year we have six weeks of Ordinary Time before Lent begins. These weeks between the Christmas season and Lent are an important time to continue to work on our habits of focusing our desires early in the day and talking with the Lord throughout the day, in the background of our busy lives. This is how we become "contemplatives in action" and find intimacy with God without leaving the context of our real lives.

How do we do that with the hectic pace of our lives? We hear people say, "I don't have time to pray." It isn't about finding more time but more focus in our day with God. With this type of focusing and active consciousness, we find ourselves surprised at the time we really do have. It all begins with our mornings.

This week, when we first get up and perhaps for a few moments in the shower or getting dressed, let's tell the Lord that what we desire today is to be more conscious of how what we do this day is responding to his call to me to be his disciple. Then, during the day, in those moments while driving or shopping or walking down the hall to a meeting, we can talk about how we are living our call in this or that activity we are engaged in. That conversation may get more detailed and specific in this or that set of events.

Each evening, for even a few moments, we can review our day's momentary conversations, recognizing the moments of real connection and grace and giving thanks for them, and resolving to take even greater advantage of these opportunities the next day.

Source: Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's **Online Ministries** web site: <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html> Used with permission.

Fr. Francis will be away from January 15 to January 28. Fr. Alison will be celebrating Masses and taking care of all the pastoral needs. Office will be open during regular hours.



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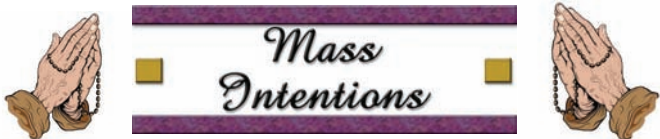
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FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN....

Today after the 10:00am Mass First Communion children will be making their First Confession. We pray God's blessings upon them as they continue their preparation. We thank Marlene O'Leary for accompanying them in their preparation journey towards First Communion.



Sunday, January 14

9:00am † *Jerry Brosnan*
Req. Sheila Brosnan

Monday, January 15

9:00am *Family Intentions of Alfredo Costa & Maria Costa*
Req. Alfredo Costa

Tuesday, January 16

9:00am *Health & Strength for NORA*
Req. Mary

Wednesday, January 17

7:00pm *Thanksgiving Mass*
Req. Nicolas & Angeles Blanco

Thursday, January 18

9:00am † *Maria Madlena*
Req. Alfredo Costa

Friday, January 19

7:00pm † *Martin Burke*
Req. Maureen Prizciak

Saturday, January 20

5:00pm *Memorial of St Fabian & St. Sebastian*

NEW MEMBERS NEEDED.... Parish is seeking new members to join the parish council, St. Vincent de Paul Society and Fund-Raising Committee. If you think that you are interested and willing to serve in these ministries of our parish, please contact Fr. Francis.

Walk-in Counselling Services

Catholic Family Services of Toronto offers walk-In counselling services at two locations. The single-session consultation is aimed at helping individuals, couples, or family clients address their concerns. No appointment required.

Central office address:

1155 Yonge St. Suite 100, Toronto.
Every Tuesday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
PHONE: 416 921-1163.

North office address:

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PHONE: 416 222-0048.
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Living With Separation and Divorce

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is offering a psycho-educational program for those dealing with the stress of the ending of a relationship. The sessions facilitated by a clinical social worker will be held February 13 to April 3, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at 1155 Yonge St. There is a \$30 fee per session. Please contact Alpana Das at 416-921-1163 x2232 or email adas@cfstoronto.com for more information.

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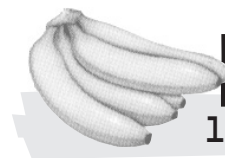
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