

St. Joseph Parish

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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : OCTOBER 13, 2024



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

From the
Pastor's
Desk



GIVE THANKS

Happy Thanksgiving. May your day be filled with gratitude, grace, and blessings!

Today I'm thinking about the walk of gratitude: how to practice and preserve it. Because it's easy to live a compartmentalized life. So how do we practice thankfulness. **Thessalonians 5:18: Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.**

It's a curious formula for the grateful life. Encourage the disheartened. Help the weak. Exercise patience. Rejoice. Pray. Give thanks. God brings us together to be a blessing. And surely, as we go through our own processes of healing, and growth, we will all bring sickness into the atmosphere. We encourage the disheartened because it's easy to grow weary in well doing. It's even easier to grow weary when we're not doing everything right. And we all get sad sometimes. But being a friend is often easier than we make it. Sometimes we need to speak to depressed people. Sometimes we just need to sit with them, in their discouragement, so they know they are not alone.

We help the weak because life is hard, and anytime we can help someone else we should. If we have strength in any area, we can use it for good. We exercise patience with everybody because everybody walks at their own pace. And somebody waited for you. We rejoice always because there is always something for us to celebrate. We rejoice because we believe enough in answered prayer that we can celebrate before we ask.

We pray continually because there is always a need. There are always people we can lift up. We give thanks in all circumstances, because things could always be worse. And if we exercise compassionate concern for others, we quickly see how many problems we DON'T have. So we can choose gratitude. We can always find something to be thankful for. So today, I am choosing gratitude. Happy Thanksgiving everybody. I thank God for you.



God Bless. Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC



REMEMBERING ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Making a charitable Bequest:

Having a properly made will is one of the best gifts anyone can leave their loved ones in the event of their passing. It also ensures that charities and causes closest to their hearts will be sustained. By putting the parish in their will, parishioners can help the Church faithfully carry out the pastoral mission entrusted to her by our Lord, for generations to come. For more information, please call the Parish office of St. Joseph Church. Contact: 416 518 0276

The Week Ahead :

- Oct 14: St. Calistus I, Pope & Martyr
- Oct 15: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
- Oct 16: St. Hedwig, Religious, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
- Oct 17: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr
- Oct 18: St. Luke, Evangelist
- Oct 19: St. Joh de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priest & Companion



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FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR:

Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.
Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection. How to create your own legacy. About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals.

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. Follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebOct19
2. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar October 19" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Spiritus Central - Made for Love:

Living from our Deepest Identity:

Spiritus Central will be having its FIRST ever event on Thursday, Oct. 3 at St. Peter's Parish, Toronto! Light refreshments will be available! Our speaker for the evening will be Sister Rose Patrick who was born and raised in Toowoomba, Australia. Captured by the beauty of each human life, she entered the Sisters of Life in 2018 after graduating with a degree in music and journalism. The Sisters of Life are a religious community of women founded in New York who take a fourth vow to protect and enhance the sacredness of human life.

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POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For October 2024:

For the Shared Mission:

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.



BE AN ALTAR SERVER: St. Joseph's Church provides young Catholics in grades 4 through 12 (ages 10 and up) with the opportunity to grow stronger in their faith and become more active in the celebration of the Mass by altar serving. There will be training for both new and returning altar servers and is required prior to being scheduled for Sunday Masses.



Children's Liturgy

During every Sunday 10:00 am Mass.
Helping our children grow in faith.



Barbecue Party After the Sunday Mass

On October 13, 2024 after the 10:00 am. Mass.
Tickets will be sold before & after weekend masses. \$10.00 / Ticket



International Food Festival

November 17, 2024 After the Sunday mass
at 11:00 am . Tickets will be sold before & after weekend masses. \$15.00 / Ticket



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

October 5-6, 2024: \$ 1,211.00

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Thanks to all our volunteers for their commitment and to our benefactors for your continued support.

Kindly contribute through Pre Authorized Giving.

Forms are available in the foyer.

A Big thanks to Knights of Columbus, Council 9079.



† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 13:

10:00 am : **Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life**

Req. Megan Montifar

Monday, October 14: NO MASS

Tuesday, October 15:

9:00 am : **Thanksgiving Intentions**

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

Thanksgiving for Family Blessings

Req. Andrea Cornista

Wednesday, October 16:

7:00 pm : **For Healing Intentions for Baby Stevie**

Req. Family

Thursday, October 17:

9:00 pm : **† For the Souls in Purgatory**

Req. Henriette Cudmore

Friday, October 18:

7:00 pm: **† Jose Benhur Benito**

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

Saturday, October 19:

5:00 pm : **For the Intentions of St. Joseph Parish Community**

† Gary Arruda

Req. Arruda Family

St. Joseph, Pray For us



Light a Candle for our dearly departed

This All Souls Day: November 2,

We humbly implore you not to let this day pass unmarked.

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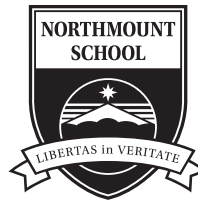
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