

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores"

Liturgy Notes: The Nicene Creed: Part 1: The Two Creeds of the Liturgy. The Nicene Creed boldly and joyfully proclaims our faith when we are gathered for Sunday Masses and Solemnities throughout the year. The shorter Apostles' Creed is an older and more succinct statement of faith, and is recommended for Lent and the Easter season because of its connection with the rite of Baptism. In the seasons of Lent and Easter, we renew the promises of our Baptism, and so the use of the Apostles' Creed is encouraged in the Mass in those seasons. In Lent, we are preparing to honestly say that we renew our commitment to living holy lives, as people who have been baptized into the death and Resurrection of Christ. In Easter, for 50 days, we continue to celebrate with great joy that souls were reborn in the waters of baptism at Easter, and live out the joy of our own baptism which all of us renewed in the Easter celebrations. Therefore the Apostles' Creed ties the seasons of Lent and Easter together. But in the other seasons of the year, the Nicene Creed is given pride of place in the liturgy. It has a rather long official name: The Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed, because it is the fruit of intense theological debate in the 4thcentury Church, when big questions were being worked out about the nature of the Holy Trinity. As was typical in the early Church, there were erroneous views about the nature of Jesus (was he fully divine, or an exalted human?, etc.), and about the Holy Spirit (was this a "face" or "mode" of God, or a fully divine person?, etc.). So in the two great Ecumenical Councils of the early Church, Nicea in 325 AD, and Constantinople in 381, this great formulation of the Christian faith was forged at these meetings of the universal Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. (Next week we will look at details of the Creed.)

World Day of Migrants and Refugees: This weekend, the Church marks the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. It is an occasion to express our concern for the many vulnerable people on the move, to pray for them as they face many challenges, and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for this year's event is "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees". In his message, Pope Francis reminds us that "the arrival of Catholic migrants and refugees can energize the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them". The Catholic Church in Canada has participated in Canada's Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program since its inception in 1979, resettling tens of thousands of refugees who were forced to flee their home countries because of war, violence or persecution. Since 1979, private sponsors have resettled over 350,000 refugees to Canada. This weekend's special collection, Needs of the Church In Canada supports this important work.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 27th + JOHN ALEXANDER MACPHERSON Requested by Monish Sarker

> Wednesday, September 28th + FRANCES MARY CAIRNS Requested by Edna Higgins

<u>Thursday, September 29th</u> + Requested by

<u>Friday, September 30th</u> + MARGARET KNOTTS Requested by Paul & Claudia DeCourcy

Rest in Peace

In your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of

Frances Mary Cairns & Mary Kay Grant

Please Pray For The Sick

Mary Anonsen, Stella Avery, Jonathan Pinto, Jewell, Joseph Abate & Carmel Richard

OFFERING

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where

we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love. If you would like to support your parish through the Pre-Authorized Giving program, PAG, please contact the office.

	2019	2022
Sunday Collection	\$ 4748	\$ 2350
Offertory PAG:	\$ 1079	\$ 1183

In The News

INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION: We

welcome Fr. Trevor Scott, S.J., this weekend as our guest preacher. Fr. Scott is part of the Jesuit Forum, which has been leading efforts at reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, and he co-authored the book, "Listening to Indigenous Voices". Next weekend, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection to support the Indigenous Healing & **Reconciliation Fund. Funds will support culture and** language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. For more info or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

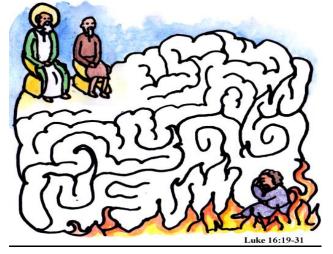
THE CATHOLIC REGISTER: is producing a

commemorative magazine for the recent papal visit. The 64-page full colour magazine, From Penance to Progress, features Rome-to-Canada-to-Rome coverage with original vou-are-there photos and articles from the Register reporter who was embedded with Vatican media for the entire visit. In addition, it will offer reflections on what the visit accomplished and content "prompts" to help individuals, parish groups and schools think about and discuss the way forward for truth and reconciliation. If you are interested in receiving a copy at the cost of \$16 please contact the office.

RETREAT FOR CANCER PATIENTS AND THEIR

CAREGIVERS: are invited to attend on Wednesday September 28th from 9 am to 3 pm. A relic of St. Peregrine will be in our Chapel during the retreat. Come, let Jesus hold you lovingly in His gentle arms and fill you with strength. Where: Oueen of Apostles Renewal Centre. Mississauga. Cost: \$45.00 hot lunch included Contact: Jean - office@goa.ca or 905.278.5229

Kids Corner: In today's Gospel reading the rich man asks Abraham to send Lazarus to him with a drop of cool water. But can Lazarus cross between Heaven and Hell? See if the maze will help him cross.



Parish News

BLESSING OF ANIMALS – In honour of the Feast of St. Francis (patron of animals), the blessing of animals will take place, rain or shine, on Sunday, October 2nd from 1 to 1:30, at the front entrance of the church. Animals are part of God's creation and bring us so much love. So bring your dog, cat, gerbil, bird, fish, squirrel, or whatever animal, for a special blessing.

LIFE CHAIN: is a prayerful witness to the sanctity of all human life. This peaceful and silent demonstration brings awareness to the ongoing injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts. Participants hold non-graphic signs at hundreds of locations across North American for one hour. Please join us this year at Queen & Woodbine on Sunday, October 2nd, from 2 to 3 pm.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE – Begins this weekend and runs until the weekend of October 9th. You can participate by bringing non-

perishable food items and dropping them off at the altar until Thanksgiving. Urgently needed items: tomato sauce, canned tomatoes, soup & stews, mayonnaise, jams, granola bars, mustard beans, chickpeas, canned corn, breakfast cereals peanut butter. Donations will be delivered to the **Good Shepherd Refuge.**



INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?:

Never baptized, or maybe baptized Catholic, but in need of the Sacraments of Confirmation/Eucharist? We welcome you! The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for you! Classes begin this fall. Email the parish office to inquire.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy program has resumed. At the 9 am Mass, all school-aged children from Kindergarten to Grade 2 are invited to attend. No registration is necessary. The children are called to the front of the church after the opening of the Mass and

proceed to the church hall, where they participate in a discussion and activity based on the Gospel reading. The children return to sit with their family at the offertory. If vou have any questions regarding the program or are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact Marlo Taylor at 647.233.7636.

Little Levity:



"I imagine you were pretty nervous about addressing an army of experts today" commented Margaret to Father after his homily.