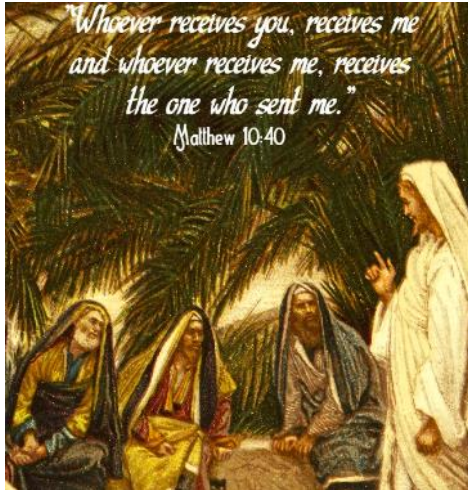


Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



From the Pastors Desk: Dear Friends in Christ – I am very happy to be back in the saddle after my 6-month sabbatical. It was a long-awaited opportunity to finish some projects that had been on the shelf for years. I'll list a few below for the curious, but the most important thing I did was to remember you all at the altar every Sunday; specifically, my intention in offering the Holy Eucharist at every Sunday Mass was for the spiritual and physical well-being of all St. John's parishioners, living and dead. The Church takes this spiritual connection between a pastor and his flock so seriously that it's actually an obligation: that every Sunday one Mass is offered "pro populo", and the pastor is not excused from this even if on holiday or away from the parish. I was especially mindful of those who were suffering in any way. For the sake of my growth as a priest, and seeking to be a better disciple of Jesus Christ above all, the 30-day silent retreat was a blessed encounter with the Lord. The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola provided a structured daily routine of prayer and meditation, steeped in sacred scripture, focusing one's prayer on the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and on the Blessed Mother. In terms of projects, I have researched and written a historical article for the archdiocese; composed a simple unaccompanied setting of the Mass for a community of sisters; supplemented another setting for congregational use; researched and reconstructed an 18th-century chant I had found in a manuscript some years ago; and participated in an editorial review of the new Canadian hymnal. I enjoyed being in the classroom for a semester, teaching a practicum and auditing one of the newest courses at St. Augustine's Seminary. It was a good six months, and I am more than ready to return to the usual parish routine. Thank you all for your prayers during this time, which were surely part of God's way of drawing us all closer to him and to one another, for he is the divine weaver who makes the fabric of his Church by the mysterious ways we are woven together in prayer.

BULLETIN NOTICE: Next weekend's bulletin will be the last until September. Mass Intentions will be posted on the bulletin boards in the vestibule.

Mass Intentions



Tuesday, July 4th

For + **GEORGE MACDONALD**
Requested by Maureen MacDonald

Wednesday, July 5th

For + **EDITHA MITRA**
Requested by Bernie & Rosalinda Febria

Thursday, July 6th

For **INTENTIONS OF CATHERINE CHANG**
Requested by The Family

Friday, July 7th

For **PRIVATE INTENTION**



*The Sanctuary Light burns this week
for the intentions of*

The Graduation Students of St. John's Parish



Rest in Peace

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

Carrie Smith & Stella Morrone

Please Pray For The Sick

Isabel Cairns, Theresa Cooper, Marianne Loranger,
David Hibberd, Christine Curran, Jacob McLean, Carl
D'Sousa, Joan Tierney, Diane Meldrum, Jack Lees,
Carmel Richard

Come join us in praying the **ROSARY** before Mass,
Tuesday to Friday at 7:45 am



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our website where you can donate through your credit
card; don't forget to select "St. John's Parish, Toronto" in
the drop down menu. Thank you for making a gift to your
Parish.*



	2022	2023
Sunday Offertory	\$ 2727	\$3825
Offertory PAG:	\$ 1110	\$1421



Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul poor box
as you exit the church.

In The News

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Our Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated on Wednesday August 16 at 7 pm. Masses throughout the Greater Toronto Area and Barrie will take place for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic Cemeteries. Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year's Annual Mass are as follows: **CEMETERY CELEBRANT** 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 Centre 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.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD SCHOOL: Still Registering for 2023/2024 (NEW FAMILY RATES!). Have you heard of Mary, Mother of God School? We are an affordable private school (Grades K-12) located in the Roncesvalles/Parkdale area. Deeply rooted in the Catholic tradition with a special devotion to Our Lady, we have an excellent academic program, a dynamic and joyful student life, and small classes where each student is known and loved. We are still interviewing for September 2023: Contact website at www.marymotherofgodschool.org or call us at 416.531.7897.

VOCATIONS: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me." Accept the invitation that is being extended, an invitation by the one who sent him. If you feel you are being called to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Little Levity:

A man, his wife and his mother in law went to the Holy Land. While there, his mother in law passed away. The undertaker said to the man "we can send her home for \$5000 or bury her in the Holy Land for \$2000". The man thought for a while and then said. "Please have her shipped home." The undertaker said "but sir it only cost \$2000 to bury her here in the most holy of lands." "Sir" said the man, "2000 years ago a man died here and then was raised from the dead. Plesase prepare her to be sent home."

Peace begins with a smile.....Mother Teresa

Parish News

 Help homeless youth through ShareLife.

Covenant House is one of the agencies you support through ShareLife. It's located in Toronto, but its young clients – largely homeless youth – arrive from throughout the archdiocese. "The money raised by ShareLife directly impacts the youth at Covenant House because it goes to a wide array of programming," says the agency. "That funding goes directly to the youth to have them be able to reach out and get the support they need." Thus far we have raised \$31,995 toward our goal of \$76,300. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

MISSION APPEAL: Next weekend we welcome Fr. Bernard Kanayog to share his mission appeal on the Junior Seminary in Rwanda. Please prayerfully consider your donation to the mission in Rwanda on the weekend of July 9th.

THANK YOU FROM FR. DUNSTAN: I want to thank all the parishioners of St. John's Parish, volunteer ministry groups and staff for the lovely farewell cards, the beautiful flowers and ever so generous gifts; not to mention the unbelievable drawing, homemade goodies, and precious handmade cards. The time and care shown to me during my stay here the last 8 months and this past weekend was truly wonderful. I can't begin to give praise so I say Thanks be to God for all of you. You will remain in my prayers.

