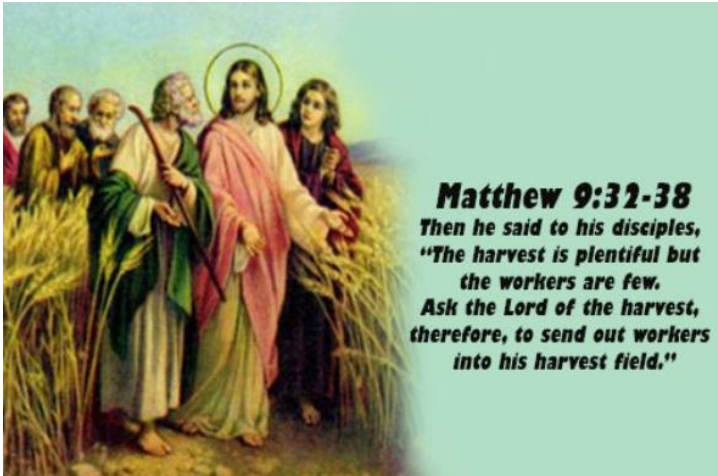


Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time



Matthew 9:32-38
 Then he said to his disciples,
 "The harvest is plentiful but
 the workers are few.
 Ask the Lord of the harvest,
 therefore, to send out workers
 into his harvest field."

From the desk of Fr. Dunstan: Dear Brothers and Sister,
 The names of the apostles are listed in the gospel this week and I would like to reflect with you about who are these apostles. Apostles were called by Jesus to be with him and were sent out to proclaim the good news to all nations. When Jesus called them, they responded positively, they went to be with him, they listened to him, they saw all the activities that he did, they were opened to the Spirit of God and finally obeyed his commands to go out to share all their experiences that they had with everyone through words and deeds with conviction.
 This is the exact invitation that we also received through baptism. We were chosen to experience the grace of God through the word of God and Sacraments along with our daily prayers. We are mandated by Jesus to express this faith filled experience with others with whom we live in the society through our words and actions. Jesus is giving his power and his spirit to exercise our beliefs with convictions.
 Let us also open our senses and hearts to listen to the voice of God in every moment of our lives and be God's witnesses in our families, parish, workplace, etc.
 May the Spirit of God be with us in implementing the Good News!

Father's Day Prayer

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old.
We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.
We pray for our own fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the god of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.
We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.
We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

Mass Intentions




Saturday, June 17th
 For + MARIA & FERNANDO DIAS
 Requested by Maria & John Meireles


Tuesday, June 20th
 For + JOAN HANEY
 Requested by Maureen MacDonald

Wednesday, June 21st
 For INTENTIONS OF VERONICA & CLAUDE BAILEY
 Requested by The Family


Thursday, June 22nd
 For INTENTIONS OF SHURLAND HENDERSON
 Requested by The Family

Friday, June 23rd
 For + MARY FRASER
 Requested by Robert, Irene & Monika Wintersinger Schmidt

 *The Sanctuary Light burns this week in loving memory of Edmond Valin Sr.*

 **Rest in Peace**
In your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Krishna Mahadeo, Rose Relinger & Gary Chin

Please Pray For The Sick
 Isabel Cairns, Theresa Cooper, Carrie Smith, Marianne Loranger, David Hibberd, Christine Curran, Jacob McLean, Carl D'Sousa, Joan Tierney, Diane Meldrum, Jack Lees, Carmel Richard

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Offertory PAG:	\$ 1110	\$1421
Marygrove Camp	\$ 2245	\$2295

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In The News



MORE ABOUT SACRED HEART OF JESUS: On 20 October 1672, Father Giovanni Eudes, a priest from Normandy, celebrated this feast for the first time. But to popularize the devotion, the revelations of our Lord to the Visitation nun of the convent of Paray-le-Monial, Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690), contributed greatly. Margaret Mary had entered the French convent in Saône-et-Loire in 1671. She already had the reputation of being a mystic when on 27 December 1673 she received the first vision of Jesus who invited her to take John's place, the only apostle who physically rested his head on Jesus's chest, among those present at the Last Supper. "My Divine Heart is so passionately in love with humanity that it can no longer contain within itself the flames of its ardent love. It must pour them out. I have chosen you for this great plan," Jesus told her. The following year, Margaret had two other visions. In the first, Jesus's heart was on a throne enveloped in flames brighter than the sun and more transparent than crystal, surrounded by a crown of thorns. In the other, she saw Christ shining in glory. Flames of fire were coming out of every part of his chest to the point that it looked like a furnace. Jesus spoke to her and asked her to receive Communion every first Friday for nine consecutive months and to prostrate herself on the ground for an hour the night between Thursday and Friday. This is how the practice of the nine first Fridays originated and the Holy Hour of Adoration. Then in a fourth vision, Christ asked for the institution of a feast to honour his Heart and to make reparation through prayer for offenses received. Pope Pius IX made it an obligatory feast throughout the universal Church in 1856. In 1995, Saint John Paul II instituted the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests on this same day so that the priesthood might be protected in the hands of Jesus, rather in his heart, so it could be open to everyone."

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY: His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass on Wednesday, June 21st, at 7 pm at the Native Peoples' Mission, St. Ann's Church, 120 First Avenue, Toronto, in observance of National Indigenous Peoples Day. The day honours and celebrates the culture and heritage of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. Following Mass, a reception will be held in the parish hall. All are Welcome!



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VOCATIONS: "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Parish News

SAVE THE DATE!: Join us on the weekend of June 24 and 25th, for a reception after all Masses to thank Fr. Dunstan for his ministry during his short 6 months here at St. John's and to wish him well in his new position as Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish and Our Lady of the Lake Mission in Keswick and Sutton, Ontario. We hope to see you there.



ST. JOHN CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The St. John Children's Liturgy program will be wrapping up for the summer this weekend. Thank you to everyone at St John for your prayers and support of the Children's Liturgy program. We will resume the program in September. Have a wonderful summer.



It is with great sadness we let you know of the passing of Rose Relinger. Rose was a long time parishioner and very active member of St. John's Parish. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 19th from 4 pm to 8 pm at the Highland Funeral Home - Scarborough (3280 Sheppard Ave E, Scarborough). A funeral Mass will be held at Epiphany of Our Lord Parish, at 10 am Tuesday, June 20th followed by a reception at Highland Funeral Home. Rose will be buried following the reception at Mount Hope Cemetery (305 Erskine Ave, Toronto, ON).

MISSION APPEAL: On the weekend of July 9th we will welcome Fr. Bernard Kanayog. Here's a sneak peak into his mission appeal. "The mission cooperation appeal this year 2023 will focus on a diocesan Junior Seminary named Saint Pius X. Saint Pius X Nyundo Junior Seminary is a private catholic secondary school funded in February 1953. It welcomes young people who aspire to become priests. Seminarians are called to mature in their vocation to the priesthood through a solid intellectual, moral, spiritual and human formation which allows them to make a free choice at the end of their secondary studies." Challenges - Last two months, in May, there was a lot of rain in Rwanda. Because Rwanda is a mountainous and volcanic region, this year, the bad weather moved in the entire central eastern region of Rwanda. Thus, in the night of May 2 to 3, 2023, our school was shaken by the flood disaster caused by Sebeya river. That water has devastated our infrastructures causing great damage. Check back next week for more on this story.

Little Levity:

Little James and Little John-Mark were riding the school bus on the way home from school one day. James said to John-Mark, I'm sure hungry, can't wait to get home and have my supper! But gosh darn it my Dad always takes so long to say the prayers before we eat! Do you prayer before you eat?" John-Mark turned to James with a big smile on his face and said, "We're Italian!! My Mom knows how to cook!!
Peace begins with a smile.....Mother Teresa