St. Vincent de Paul

If a person is hungry, in need of clothes or a place of shelter for the night, help can often be found at the local St. Vincent de Paul Society. Members of this charitable institution are found in most cities and in many countries. This society takes its name and inspiration from the saint whom we honour at this liturgy.

Vincent was born in Pouy, France in 1581. The name of the city has since been changed to St. Vincent de Paul. He was the third of six children of a peasant family. He was ordained to the priesthood and gradually saw his life beig shaped to helping the poor. Inspired by his friends, Francis de Sales and Jane Frances de Chantal, who both became future saints, Vincent continued in this social ministry. He founded the missionary congregation of the Vincentians and the Sisters of Charity. After a lifetime of trying to fulfill the command of Jesus to "love one another," Vincent died in 1660 and was canonized a saint in 1885. He has been designated as the patron of charitable institutions. What he established in the seventeenth century, is still giving help and hope to the poor of today.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has been active in Toronto over 150 years and the group at St. Mary's Parish is one of the oldest. Every dollar that is given to us is given directly to the poor in the form of food vouchers.

The members of our Society thank you for all your generosity.

New Deacon James Cyfko

The Diaconate ordination of James Cyfko took place this Saturday, Oct. 5th at St. Mary's church. Our church was full with parishioners and many of James' friends, along with a very large number of priests and two bishops in attendance. The music was provided by a group from St. Michael's Choir school. To Deacon James, and his family, we extend our congratulations and our sincere best wishes. Please let us keep praying for vocations. His priestly ordination is yet to be set for this coming spring.

Candle Light Procession

Next Saturday, October 12, we will have a candle light procession around our church at 6:00 pm.



Rev. Msgr. Fernando Couto (Pastor) Rev. Fr. Benny Joseph (Associate Pastor)



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Baptism—Sundays Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

Marriages

Please contact the priest 12 months in advance

Confessions Every day before Mass, except on Sunday

Schools

St. Mary Elementary 416-393-5205 Bishop Macdonell 416-393-5462

Saturday

5:00 pm English

6:00 pm English



Twenty Seventh Sunday

October 6, 2024

Genesis has two accounts of the institution of marriage.

The first (1:26-28) sees marriage as a means of procreation.

The second (2:18-24) - our First Reading sees marriage as meeting the human need for companionship and equality.

Psalm: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

On the basis of Deuteronomy24:1-4, the Pharisees allowed a husband to divorce his wife because of an indecency in her. Appealing to Genesis 1:27;2-24, Jesus stressed the unity created by marriage, which would forbid breaking the marriage bond. Jesus leaves no doubt as to what the ideal marriage ought to be. But this doesn't mean he wasn't aware of, and sympathetic towards, the problems that can arise in living out that ideal. The Gospel also shows Jesus' love for the little ones, and tells us that we

must receive the kingdom the way children

receive a gift.

God Created Earth And Heaven

God created earth and heaven, God commanded light to me. Separated light from darkness, Set the bounds for land and sea. While God's Spirit on the waters In his love did gently brood. Life on earth began to quicken And God saw that it was good.

God made us in His own image Gave us power to think and choose Made us lord of all creation Everything is ours to use. Let us praise our loving Father Let us thank Him as we should For the gifts of His creation Which His love has made so good.



All That I Am

All that I am, all that I do, All that I'll ever have, I offer now to you. All that I dream, all that I pray, All that I'll ever make, I give to you today.

Take and sanctify these gifts For your honor, Lord. Knowing that I love and serve you Is enough reward.

Christians Let Us Love One Another

Christians, let us love one another, as we share the true living bread. Jesus is our God and our brother; with his flesh and blood we are fed.

Everyone who loves is born of God. Jesus is our life, God is love.

We who break this bread are one body, we who share this cup are all one, children of our Father in heaven, sharers of the life of God's Son.

We who eat and drink at this table die and rise again with our Lord, drawing from our rock living water for all men who thirst for accord.

Wheat and grape incarnate a mystery; Jesus is the true living bread. Let us eat with joy and thanksgiving, trusting in the word he has said.

All the Ends of the Earth

All the ends of the earth, all you creatures of the sea, lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord. For the Lord of the earth, the master of the sea, has come with justice for the world.

Break into song at the deeds of the Lord, the wonders God has done in ev'ry age.

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might ev'ry heart ev'ry nation call him Lord.

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, October 5th

5:00 pm. Natividad Remegia Deomampo, souls in purgatory—Celeste & Avelino Magalhães—Intention of Francesco Miguel Guerra & Luding Robles—Carlos Martins Freire—Maria da Conceição Vicente

Sunday, October 6th

8:30 am. Nelissa da Mota

10:00am. Community—Henrique Sebastião—José Luis e Maria Teresa Branco—José Carlos Silva, Manuel Pereira—Fernando Furtado & family—António Correia—Margarida da Silva, spouse & family—José & Maria de Amaral
11:30 am. Cornelius & Cornelia Iliohan—Deolinda & José Rego

1:00 pm. Sara Coutinho

Monday, October 7th 9:00 am. Intention of Helena Gomes 6:00 pm. Praise to St. Therese

Tuesday, October 8th 9:00 am. Ermelinda Arruda 6:00 pm. Luis Augusto Ribeiro Raposo

Wednesday, October 9th 9:00 am. Odilia Correia 6:00 pm. Alex Fernandes & Ralph Mosher

Thursday, October 10th 9:00 am. Souls in purgatory 6:00 pm. Ermelinda Arruda

Friday, October 11th 9:00 am. Souls in purgatory 6:00 pm. Ildeberto Camara

Saturday, October 12th 5:00 pm. Souls in purgatory—Gabriela Arruda— Herminio Inácio—Nicasio Sr. Pardo