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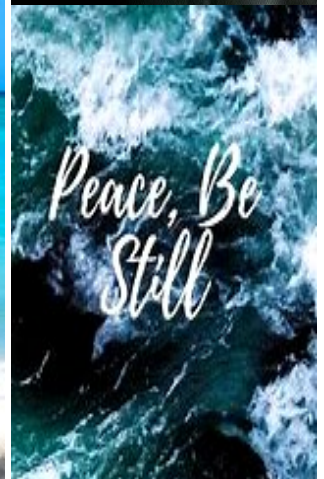
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He awoke, and
rebuked the wind,
and said to the sea,
"Peace! Be still!"

The wind ceased,
and there was a
great calm. He said
to them, "Why are
you so afraid? How
is it that you have
no faith?" They
were greatly afraid,
and said to one
another, "Who
then is this, that
even the wind and
the sea obey him?"
Mark 4:39-41

WHEN GOD
ROCKS
YOUR BOAT



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MASSES - MESSE

SATURDAY JUN 19TH – SABATO

5:00 P.M. – + Andre Goveia

SUNDAY JUN 20TH – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. – + Gavino Manca

10:00 A.M. – Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia

Francesco Ferrante - Tony Lamanna

Pietro Pagliaro - Rosario Vella

Mike e Vito Cuoppolo-Totonno e Rosaria Francella

Giuseppe Canini e defunti Famiglia

Maria D'Addario - Angelo Baroni

Gaetano-Lopresti Costantino - Giuseppe Baroni

Antonino Tuccitto e defunti famiglia

Vicenzo Pitino e defunti famiglia

L'Anime Del Purgatorio

11:30 A.M. – Michael & Maeann De Souza

5:00 P.M. – + Ronnie & Jane Fernandes

MONDAY JUN 21ST – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. – Barbara Hidalmasi

11:00 A.M. – + Clarise Granderson

TUESDAY JUN 22ND – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. – Patrick Meehan

11:00 A.M. – The Doyle Family

WEDNESDAY JUN 23RD – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Manuel Dungca

11:00 A.M. – The Skulski Family

THURSDAY JUN 24TH – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. – + Holy Souls In Purgatory

8:30 A.M. – + Dr. Tara S. Annie Maitra

FRIDAY JUN 25TH – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. – + Deceased of the Tamburro & Long Family

7:00 P.M. – Mirko Ljuba

SATURDAY JUN 26TH – SABATO

8:30 A.M. – + Antonio Scarano

10:00 A.M. – Family of Agnes Leung



MARK 4:35-41

GOSPEL SUMMARY:

Many people believe that Mark tells this story of the storm at sea to the people of the early Church for a specific purpose. As the story unfolds, Jesus has just left the crowds of Galilee with his disciples and is crossing the Sea of Galilee. Jesus has fallen asleep in the bow of the boat when a sudden storm comes up threatening to capsize the boat. The disciples wake Jesus hoping that he will help save them. The first thing Jesus does is calm the storm. Once the immediate danger is over, he then turns to the disciples and wonders why their faith is so weak.



REFLECTION FOR PARENTS:

As much as we would like to eliminate the storms in our children's lives, we really do them a disservice by not letting them learn to navigate on their own. How do we teach them this? Much as we don't always like to admit it, our children learn the most by watching us. What do our children learn from observing us in stormy weather? If we're honest, we can probably say we don't always mean to show them what they see; but maybe the most important thing they can learn is that we're trying. Even if we "lose it" (and our temper sometimes) they can still witness us coming back to God for help. Maybe they can see us in prayer, or maybe we can invite the family to pray together for a solution to the problem.



Mass Intentions

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BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:

The next time your family shares a meal together, talk about people you know who are going through some "stormy" times. Maybe it is a neighbor, a relative, friend, or maybe even someone sitting at the table. As a family, think of some ways you might help calm the storm. Commit to some action and be diligent in your follow-through.



DISCUSSION STARTERS:

1. My first reaction to storms in my life is to...
2. One time I saw someone handle a difficult situation.
This is what I remember...
3. I was able to help someone in need once when I...

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FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Please remember in your prayers: those who are sick and for those who love and minister to them – John Miceli, Gianna Ramzi, Francisco William, Stephanie Solomon, Antonio Sorbera, Bill Matthews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Joey Bagnato, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Bill Cook, Domingo Catolos.

Special Prayers
For Those In Need



VOCATION REFLECTION:

Jesus brought peace to the wind and the sea. "Peace! Be still!" Many are searching for this peace and need your help to find Jesus. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or permanent deacon? If you think God is calling you, call:

Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations,
Archdiocese of Toronto. Tel No. 416-968-0997

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

Website <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>

Dear Padre



June 20, 2021

Our parish used to be united. Now we have Filipino Catholics, Vietnamese Catholics, and Mexican Catholics, all with their own Masses and activities.

Why can't we just be Catholic?

The word catholic means "whole," "universal," "complete." To be Catholic, we must include everyone. I once served as a pastor of the only Catholic parish in a town of 20,000 people, more than half of whom were Catholic. The seventeen Baptist churches included a First Southern with services only in English, a First Baptist with services only in English, a First Baptist with services only in Spanish, and a Southern Baptist with services only in Spanish.

The Catholic Church goes out of its way to make sure that never happens to us and that all people feel part of the Church. One way to make a person feel welcome is to offer Mass in his or her native language, which is why my parish offered Masses in Spanish and Vietnamese as well as in English.

It wasn't just about language or nationality. We had Sunday-evening Mass to accommodate the many people who worked Sunday mornings. And we also had events that brought the entire parish together. The result was that we had six weekend Masses rather than six different communities.

It's difficult to form one Church. It's difficult to be Catholic. But for 2,000 years we've found it to be worth it. Culturally diverse faith communities acknowledge our differences; more importantly, we celebrate our Catholic wholeness through this diversity!

*Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR
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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

Riding Through the Storms: Life, by its very nature, is filled with storms and difficulties. More than once in the Gospel do we hear about Jesus calming a storm. In the Gospel passage today we are invited to reflect on the account of Jesus asleep on the boat while the storm raged all around. We can use our imagination to create the scene of this episode in our minds. Presumably the storm was violent and loud, yet the Lord did not rise from his sleep. Moreover, the disciples in their panic-stricken state were likely yelling and making noise as they tried to steer the boat through the waves. Lastly, the intensity of the storm likely meant that waves, wind and rain would have been beating against Jesus' sleeping body, yet he remained asleep. However, when the disciples turned to Jesus for help, Jesus immediately wakes up and calms the storm with three words: "Peace! Be still!" In the midst of the storms of our lives, when we think we are all alone, we should realize that Jesus is with us through it all. Instead of panicking, we should strive to be still and peacefully take the time to turn to God and ask for help. This should be the first thing we do before we even try to solve the problem ourselves. Being a merciful and loving Father, God will not delay in coming to our aid.



Summary: In Gospel today we hear the account of Jesus asleep on the boat despite a harrowing storm raging all around. Jesus slept through the wind, waves, rain, and noise, but awoke immediately when the disciples came to Him for help. In the midst of the storms of our lives, when we think we are all alone, we should turn to Jesus for help and He will speedily come to our aid.

For your ongoing support of our parish, (including those for the St. Vincent de Paul) may be dropped off in person when the church is open for private prayer or sent through the mail.

Worship Through Giving

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all-sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES:

A set of offering envelopes will be prepared for you to pick up at the parish office.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING:

This new way of supporting the church is now being offered in our parish and many of our parishioners may find this method practical and convenient.

Please call the parish office (416-759-9359) for the way of giving that is right for you.

TO DONATE ON-LINE:

Alternately to donate to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish on-line, please [click here Archdiocese of Toronto](#) and select St. Lawrence Martyr Parish from the drop list.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONER:

Please [click here](#).

Thank you
MAY GOD BLESS YOU

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First Confession and Communion

2020/2021

June 19, 2021 (Saturday)

1:00 PM Confession

Followed by

First Holy Communion Mass 2PM



Sacrament of Confirmation

2020/2021

June 21, 2021 (Monday)

Confirmation Mass

6:00 PM

7:30 PM



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY. On this Father's Day, we wanted to take a few moments to offer some words of encouragement and appreciation to all the Dads who have chosen to worship with us.

In a world that continues to attack Fatherhood in so many ways, we want you to know that we honor you and pray for you not only on this day but throughout the year. It seems we are bombarded with television shows and commercials which intend to diminish the role of the Father into someone they are not, especially God-fearing Dads.

We realize this can also be a tough day as many gathered in churches across our nation and the world have not had Godly examples to follow, and indeed, may find it painful to think about their own childhood. That doesn't mean YOU can't begin a legacy of faithfulness and example for your children and grandchildren to follow in the years to come.

1 Corinthians 11:1 says, "Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ."

The Apostle Paul was clear in his statement that it was a desire of his to have people follow his example as he followed the example of Christ! That is a Godly Legacy and a passion that we believe should be at the heart of what we do, and why we do it!

So many here today can be thankful for parents and grandparents who set the example of love for God and faithfulness to His Word.

Again, our ultimate desire is that people would see Jesus, but we pray that every Dad here today would know that we pray for you and the example you set for those coming behind you.

While the responsibility may seem to be too much at times, remember these powerful words from scripture; 2 Corinthians 12:9a "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

Thank you for being here today, and we appreciate you! **Fr. Roy**

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Becoming a Catholic

If you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic, please inform that person of this information and encourage him/her to start the process by calling the parish office to register.

Completing the process of Initiation

If you or someone you know wishes to complete the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation or increase your knowledge and understanding of our Catholic Faith, call the parish office.

Requirements to be a sponsor/godparent

Anyone who wishes to be a sponsor for Confirmation or a godparent for Baptism must have received all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) and be a Catholic in good standing



RCIA
A JOURNEY IN FAITH

ELEMENTARY REGISTRATION FOR SEPT 2021:

Children born in 2017, are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten at St. Lawrence Martyr School in September 2021. The Elementary Student Online Application for Registration (S.O.A.R.) for enrolment September 2021 is now available. Due to current COVID-19 conditions all applications (including the upload of required documents) must be completed online at <https://soar.tcdsb.org/Login.aspx>. If you have any questions re-

garding registration, please leave a message on the school phone at 416 393 5264.



**This Sunday, June 20 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:

Members of the Parish Finance Council shall serve a three-year term and may be appointed to a second or third three-year term.

Responsibilities:

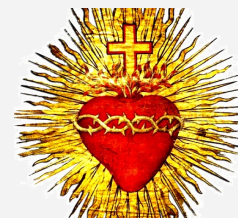
Members of the Parish Finance Council are expected to

- 1-Maintain discretion and confidentiality.
- 2-Attend all Parish Finance Council meetings.
- 3-Serve on at least one committee and attend all committee meetings.
- 4-Actively participate in the Parish stewardship program.
- 5-Participate in the Bishop's Annual Appeal.
- 6-Assist with parish social activities involving fund raising.
- 7-Learn all duties of membership.
- 8-Have a good understanding of all aspects of parish life .
- 9-Be a goodwill ambassador of the parish.
- 10-Be active in decision making.
- 11-Be willing to assume leadership positions.
- 12-Continue their development and education in the Catholic faith.
- 13-Be prepared to discuss the agenda.

Heart to Heart – Resources for Church, School & Home

Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on the Sacred Heart of Jesus, "Heart Speaks to Heart", offers thoughtful reflections on how our faith can help sustain and guide us in a challenging world.

Visit www.archtoronto.org/sacredheart to read the letter and access resources that can be used at home, school or in your own local parish.

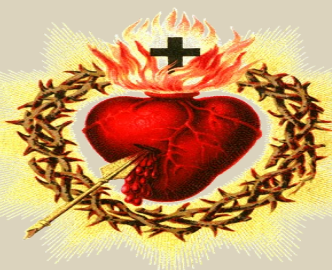


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Litany of the Sacred Heart

"The Litany of the Sacred Heart was put in its present form by Leo XIII in 1899. At first sight, it can seem a bit strange, with a few unfamiliar images, such as 'Heart of Jesus, desire of the eternal hills, have mercy on us.' But we can truly be blessed if we pray this wondrous litany, a true treasure of Christian prayer, and discover the rich biblical meaning of its individual invocations... Like the Rosary, the litany is a repetitive prayer, and the repetition of 'Have mercy on us' after each line is, in fact, like our regularly repeating heartbeat, very calming: once we meditate on the references, it gives us insight into the love of God for us in Jesus, and it gives us serenity through the heartbeat of its repetitive pattern." - Cardinal Thomas Collins



Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy*
Christ, have mercy *Christ, have mercy*
Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy*
God our Father in heaven *Have mercy on us*
God the Son, Redeemer of the world *Have mercy on us*
God the Holy Spirit *Have mercy on us*
Holy Trinity, one God *Have mercy on us*
Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, one with the eternal Word *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, infinite in majesty *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, aflame with love for us *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, source of justice and love *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, wellspring of all virtue *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, worthy of all praise *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, treasure house of wisdom and knowledge *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, in whom there dwells the fullness of God *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father is well pleased *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, from whose fullness we have all received *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, desire of the eternal hills *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, patient and full of mercy *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, generous to all who turn to you *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, atonement for our sins *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, overwhelmed with insults *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, broken for our sins *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, obedient even to death *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, pierced by a lance *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, salvation of all who trust in you *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, hope of all who die in you *Have mercy on us*

Heart of Jesus, delight of all the saints *Have mercy on us*



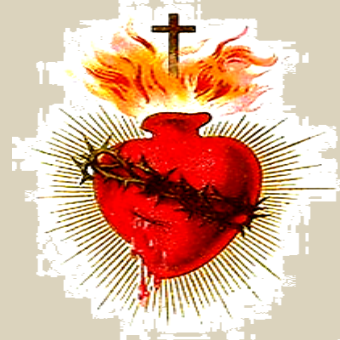
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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world *Have mercy on us*
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Jesus gentle and humble of heart, Touch our hearts and make them like your own.

Let us pray:

Father, we rejoice in the gifts of love we have received from the heart of Jesus, your Son. Open our hearts to share his life and continue to bless us with his love. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.



Greetings in Christ!

Congratulations on your graduation from high school.

The years 2020 and 2021 will go down in our history books as two of the most trying years in the history of not only our nation but the world!

So many of our schools were either shut down entirely or suspended. All of this has made your final year quite challenging, to say the least.

While I don't have the answers to all we are going through, I do believe with all my heart that it's temporary. Even though it has seemed quite "eternal" to this point, take a few moments to reflect to when this first started and realize we are now (DAYS) closer to the other side!

You are entering a different world than you expected, but let me be one of the first to congratulate you on your achievements. Even applying for college seems like an impossible task!

Matthew 19:26 says, "But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With people, this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Let me also be one of the first to encourage you in the realization that God will lead you every step of the way after you graduate!

Psalm 37:23, "The steps of a good person are ordered by the LORD, And He delights in his way.

Of course, whether a person is a man or woman is irrelevant in God's eyes because when any of us follow the will of the Lord, our steps are ordered by Him! I believe this means that even in the times we may not know with one hundred percent certainty where our path leads when we walk with the Lord, He will take us where we need to go.

You may have many questions at this point, and most of them probably start with the word "why." Yet, let me encourage you to move past the "why" and into "what." What is it you want for my life, Lord? What can I do to be a blessing to others?

Remember, even in all the challenges we are facing, God is STILL God, and with Him in your life, "you've got this"!

If there's anything I can do for you, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Blessings in Christ,

Father Roy

