St. Lawrence Martyr Church

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PASTORAL TEAM:

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Julia Di Paolo - Secretary

PARISH OFFICE AND HOURS:

| Mon to Thurs: | 9:15 AM — | 12:00 PM |
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| | 1:00 PM — | 4:00 PM |
| Friday: | 9:15 AM — | 2:00 PM |
| Sunday: | 9:15 AM — | 1:00 PM |
| Closed on Saturday and Holidays | | |

DEVOTIONS:

Holy Rosary: before Mass Divine Mercy: Friday after Mass Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday Novena to Our Lady of Miraculous Medal: Every Monday, October - May Novena to St. Anthony de Padua: 13 Tuesdays (March - June 13) Eucharistic Adoration: Monday - Thursday: 9am-12pm (Chapel) Every Friday: 9am - 7pm (Church)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: For assistance call 416-410-3589

PARISH SCHOOL: St. Lawrence Catholic School 416-393-5264

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm (English) Sunday Mass : 8:30 am (English) 10:00 am (Italian) 11:30 am (English) 1:00 pm (Latin) 5:00 pm (English)

DAILY MASSES:

English: 8:30 am Monday to Saturday Latin: 11:00 am Monday to Wednesday 7:00 am Thursday 7:00 pm Friday 10:00 am Saturday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays following the 8:30 am Mass Saturdays 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm (or by appointment)

BAPTISM:

Visit our website or call the Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Pastor ONE YEAR in advance. Marriage Preparation Course is required. Visit our website for more information.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office.

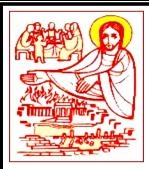
COMMUNION OF THE SICK:

Visitation and/or Holy Communion for the sick upon request.

A warm Welcome to New Parishioners!

Please fill out a parish registration form found in the foyer of the Church, and kindly introduce yourself to the Pastor.

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOVEMBER 13TH, 2022



Luke was writing his Gospel after the devastation of Jerusalem by the Roman armies in 70 AD, and the way he frames the words of Jesus suggests that he had witnessed the devastation. Massive blocks of stone, thrown down from the walls, are still lying there as they fell, scattered

at the base of the Temple. The message of this passage is, then, the same as Paul's: the end is sure, but is not yet. Jesus prepares his followers for what is to come before the cataclysmic finale. He warns against false Messiahs, political leaders or other saviour-figures who claim to 'put the world to rights'. His followers will be continually challenged to give an account of their beliefs, harassed and martyred in every age, betrayed by those they thought their friends. There is a promise that Jesus will give the words and wisdom for reply; there is a promise of protection from real harm; but there is no promise that it will be a quiet and easy life. A constant theme in Luke's Good News is that the followers of Jesus must follow him in his difficulties and trials. Only with like endurance will they keep in his footsteps.

I discepoli ammirano l'architettura del tempio. Gli occhi di Gesù si spingono più in là: egli vede la distruzione di Gerusalemme, i cataclismi naturali, i segni dal cielo, le persecuzioni della Chiesa e l'apparizione di falsi profeti. Sono manifestazioni della decomposizione del vecchio mondo segnato dal peccato e dalle doglie del parto di nuovi cieli e di una terra nuova. In tutte le pressioni e le estorsioni esercitate sulla Chiesa, noi non dovremmo vedere qualche cupa tragedia, perché esse purificano la nostra fede e confortano la nostra speranza. Esse sono altrettante occasioni per testimoniare Cristo. Altrimenti il mondo non conoscerebbe il suo Vangelo né la forza del suo amore. Ma un pericolo più grande incombe su di noi: si tratta dei falsi profeti che si fanno passare per Cristo o che parlano in suo nome. Approfittando delle inquietudini e dei rivolgimenti causati dalla storia, i falsi profeti guadagnano alle loro ideologie, alle loro idee pseudo-scientifiche sul mondo e alle loro pseudo-religioni. La vera venuta di Cristo sarà invece così evidente che nessuno ne dubiterà. Gesù incoraggia i suoi discepoli di ogni tempo a rimanere al suo fianco sino alla fine. Egli trasformerà tutte le infelicità, tutti i fallimenti e persino la morte del martire in risurrezione gloriosa e in adorazione.



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH– SABATO 5:00 P.M. + Rita Cuni

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13TH - DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. - Orlando Gaerlan

10:00 A.M. - Intenzioni di Vito e Elisabetta Barbieri Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia - Francesca e Vito Barbieri Rosario Vella – Defunti Familie Cuoppolo e Ciciretto Vito e Mike Cuoppolo – Salvatore Simone Vincenzo, Domenica e Donato Trentadue Giuseppe, Isabella e Vito Pantaleo Felice e Apollonia Bellino - Francesco Ferrante Maria Piccolo – Fedele e Clementina Colangelo Luigi e Maria Lamanna – Stefano Colangelo Luigi Lamanna – Anna Liscio – Antonio Di Stefano Marco, Edda e defunti famiglie Carlevaris e Nevodini L'Anime del Purgatorio

11:30 A.M. + Geraldine Senewiratne

1:00 P.M. - Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. + Felix Remedios

MONDAY NOVEMBER 14TH – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. - The Ramsbotham Family 11:00 A.M. + Tai Mui Lai

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 15TH - MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. + Andrea Barbieri 11:00 A.M. - Angela Leung

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16TH – MERCOLEDI 8:30 A.M. - Pearl Radcliffe

11:00 A.M. - Intentions of Maria Georgina Jose

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17TH – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. + All Souls In Purgatory 8:30 A.M. + Andrea Domondon

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 18TH – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. + Jules De Souza 7:00 P.M. + Albert & Sarah Perera

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19TH – SABATO

8:30 A.M. + Linda Cong-Shoe 10:00 P.M. + Sydney, Irene & Anne De Souza

Weekly Offertory



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you

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Dear Friends in Christ, someone called a few weeks ago asking whether a funeral Mass could be celebrated with the cremated remains of their recently deceased mother. It should be noted

that when Pastors are faced with such a request, our response is not an immediate "yes" or "no"; rather, the usual process is to have the deceased family members speak directly with the funeral home and one of its directors. Aside from addressing any pertinent questions or concerns that family members might have regarding the funeral ritual; this initial conversation is intended above-all to ensure that the funeral home is able to accommodate the family's desired burial date and time.

During the course of the phone call, I discovered that no such conversation had taken place because the parishioner thought that she did not need the funeral home's burial services. She told me that her mother had a simple wish: mom wanted to be buried together with dad (her husband, who was still alive and well). What this meant, of course, was that her cremated ashes would be brought home after the Mass and remain unburied indefinitely; that is, not until the death and cremation of her husband, which would take place in the unforeseeable future.

Whatever way you might construe the deceased woman's wish - be it noble, romantic, touching, etc., - it is important to clearly state that it goes directly against the Church's teachings. In fact, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF) - currently known as the Dicastery of the Doctrine of the Faith (DDF) - issued an Instruction in March 2016 titled, Ad resurgendum cum Christo, which specifically deals with the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation.

In the brief two-page instruction, the CDF highlights a number of key points for our consideration. It notes that the Church, following an ancient Christian tradition, has always recommended that the bodies of the deceased be buried in cemeteries or other sacred places. On one level, the burial signals the Church's faith in the resurrection of the body; on another level, its actions are intended to show "the dignity of the human body as an integral part of the human person" (#3). Although the Church prefers to have the bodies of the deceased buried, since the burial shows a great esteem towards the deceased, nevertheless, "cremation is not prohibited, 'unless it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian doctrine" (#4).

The instruction goes on to tell us how to specifically treat the cremated remains of our loved ones: "When, for legitimate motives, cremation of the body has been chosen, the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery or, in certain cases, in a church or an area, which has been set aside for this purpose, and so dedicated by the competent ecclesial authority.... The reservation of the ashes of the departed in a sacred place ensures that they are not excluded from the prayers and remembrance of their family or the Christian community. It prevents the faithful departed from being forgotten, or their remains from being shown a lack of respect, which eventuality is possible, most especially once the immediately subsequent generation has too passed away. Also, it prevents any unfitting or superstitious practices" (#5).

It also lists actions that the faithful are prohibited to do: "For the reasons given above, the conservation of the ashes of the departed in a domestic residence is not permitted" (except in grave and exceptional cases due to cultural conditions and with the permission of the competent authority) (#6) "In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful in the air, on land, at sea or in some other way, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry or other objects" (#7).

While it is admirable for us to do everything we can in order to fulfill our loved ones' last wishes, we must only do so when it does not conflict with the teachings of Holy Mother Church. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church in her solicitude always knows what is best for her children.

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Programs at SLM

The Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries Anniversary blessings are given to all celebrating couples after the Holy Communion at all Masses of



Communion at all Masses of the last weekend of the month.

How does the program work?

- Married couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries are asked to contact the office.
- Please provide your names, the number of years of marriage you are celebrating, and the weekend mass time which you usually attend.

<u>Pre-Authorized Giving</u> (PAG) Program

Our Parish offers the PAG Program. Those who wish to sign-up may do so by filling out a registration form found in our website or in the church foyer. Please submit forms with a void cheque to the office or place in the offertory basket at any time. PAG allows you to support your parish when you are away. For more information, please contact our church office. *Thank You!*

PRAYER FOR THE SICK:

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the f forgotten members in f our community.



"We do not want a Church that will move with the world. We want a Church that will move the world." — G.K. Chesterton

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November... Month of All Souls <u>REMEMBERING THE DEAD</u>

During the month of November, we are called to

pray in a particular way for those who have died. There will be a special Memorial Prayer Box placed in front of the Sanctuary during the month of November. The names of the deceased may be written on the Envelopes provided and placed in the Memorial Prayer Box. During the month of November, the deceased will be remembered at all Masses.

Your helping hand is the answer!

From November 1 to December 31, all contributions to the Parish Campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total ShareLife of \$1 million. We hope this initiative will encourage those who have not given yet, as well as those who have given reduced amounts this year, to make a year-end gift to support the vulnerable members of our community. To participate, parishioners can give online at <u>sharelife.org/</u> <u>donate</u> or at the parish by using the ShareLife envelopes.

"Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we

each do our part." - Cardinal Thomas Collins

Stewardship Reflection:

As the Mass readings point toward Christ's Second Coming and the end of our earthly life, we should ask ourselves if we are appropriately using our gifts to serve Christ in the poor and our neighbour. One great gift we can share is that of our time. Cardinal Collins says that, "we can use our time in this life to be selfish, or to be generous to others. The blessed used their time here to care for those in need."

Vocatíons Corner ...



"By your endurance you will gain your souls." Woth the sign of your call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Catholic Nurses Canada Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2022, 7:00 to 8:45 p.m. EDT



Join us to pray and learn about the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary. The inperson meeting is in the Newman Centre library, 89 St. George St., Toronto. Zoom links are available by email. On First Fridays, find the link on our website to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy with us.

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Dear Padre

November 13, 2022

I was taught that when we die, we will spend some time in purgatory and then go on to heaven. I notice some of our hymns say we will be raised on the last day. I'm confused.

It is not surprising that there is confusion about the issue. There is a difference between judgment and resurrection, even though they are obviously connected. Some people think of these two things occurring at the same time. Our Catholic teaching separates them, to some extent.

The teaching says there are two kinds of judgment. The first is that which occurs at our death and is called "the particular judgment." In this judgment we may go to heaven, hell, or purgatory. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* puts it this way: "Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ" (CCC 1022).

The second judgment is the general judgment that occurs at the end of the world. The resurrection of the body will take place at this judgment when our particular judgment is confirmed and our soul and body are reunited. The hymns that say we will be raised on the last day refer to the general judgment, as do most of the Scripture passages about judgment.

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