

**Notice to Parents:  
Sacramental Prep Classes for Kids  
Now Offered Here in the Church!**



Calling all parents! Sacramental Prep classes that were previously offered to elementary school students at Our Lady of Lourdes School are now being offered here at the church! We have some great programs and a wonderful team waiting for your child.

If your children are in Grade 2 or Grade 7, or if they have not made their *First Communion, First Confession, or Confirmation* then this is a wonderful opportunity for them to receive the Sacramental Preparation here at the Parish. Children who attend any school are welcome to join the programs.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office about registration at 416-924-6257 or [info@lourdes.to](mailto:info@lourdes.to) Thank you!

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**BLESSING OF PETS: Sunday October 6 at 3:00pm** we will bless cats, dogs, birds and any pets you wish. Simply bring them on a leash or in a cage to the **Patio at the back of the church.**

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**Lourdes Food Bank Food Drive – This Weekend!**

Week to week and month to month throughout the year this vital parish ministry consistently and faithfully reaches out to help the people of our neighborhood. August 2018 to September 2019 our food bank served 8091 adults and children. This Weekend, we will be collecting non-perishable food items (cans, boxes, packages) at the doors of the church at each of our weekend Masses. (The Health department does not allow us to give any outdated products or partially used or opened packages.) Thank you for your generosity and continuing support of our Food Bank.

**Thank You For Helping Make our  
Walk-A-Thon Such a Success!**

A Great Big thank you to everyone who came out and walked with Fr. John in our Parish Walk-a-thon on Saturday, September 21. The event was a great success: the day was beautiful, people’s spirits were high and everyone had fun. Together we raised over \$13,000 for the parish!

A special shout out to the stand outs of our single and team challenges:

- Rowena Danila, Maisie Henry, Cecilia Montojo, Cora De La Cruz, Eva Caldillero, Jojo Raganit, Zeny Ricafrente and their teams.



To all those who walked, pledged or worked behind the scenes – we could not have done it without you! Amazing job!

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**Canadian Federal Election:  
Monday, October 21**

The Archdiocese of Toronto wants every eligible Catholic to vote in the Federal election on October 21, 2019. As a charity, the Archdiocese must remain non-partisan and cannot direct the Catholic community to vote for a particular candidate or party. What we can do is educate voters to ensure they are informed to make a responsible decision on election day. We can also share information on issues from a Catholic perspective. Visit the Archdiocese’s federal election site at [www.archtoronto.org/election](http://www.archtoronto.org/election) where you will find backgrounders, infographics and videos. The topics include: the Environment, Human Dignity, Indigenous Issues, Newcomers, Political Participation, Poverty and Religious Freedom. These resources are intended to help you discern your vote. The archdiocese hopes that every eligible Catholic will be informed on the issues and will cast a ballot on Election Day, October 21, 2019.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, October 7**

8:00 am Rev. Dr. Alphonsus D'Souza, SJ + [D'Souza Family]  
 12:10pm Fernando Lombardo + [Mark]  
 5:15 pm Cinquina Family + [Cathy Cameron]

**Tuesday, October 8**

8:00 am George Santiago + [Violy]  
 12:10 pm DENISE BAILLARGEON + [John West]  
 5:15 pm Fr. Doug McCarthy, SJ + [Joseph Markunas]

**Wednesday, October 9**

8:00 am Special Intention of Ana [Ana Z.]  
 12:10 pm Marcelo P. Tomas + [Caridad Tomas]  
 5:15 pm Cesar Raquel Balmaceda + [Balmaceda Family]

**Thursday, October 10**

8:00 am Santic Anto, MARA & Jozo + [Ana Z.]  
 12:10pm Fr. Doug McCarthy, SJ + [Calapatia Family]  
 5:15 pm Juan & CONSOLACION Rinion + [Piedad Obispo]

**Friday, October 11**

8:00 am Holy Souls [Linda Lising]  
 12:10pm WEENA LEJARDE + [Lazaro Family]  
 5:15 pm David Sequeira + [Toronto East Particle Council]

**Saturday, October 12**

8:00 am Fr. Doug McCarthy, SJ + [MacBurnie Family]  
 12:10pm Perry Family's Intention [Monique Perry]

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

*Desiree Champion, Rebecca Zapanta Borja, Corazon Gamboa Hornilla, Arnulfo Molina, Brnardino Mendoza, Robert Henry, Leonila Verdadero*

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**Centering Prayer Group At Lourdes**

Are you interested in learning about Christian meditation? We have a group at Lourdes that meets weekly, on Friday mornings from 10:30am to noon in Loyola Hall, to pray in silence together. We welcome all who might be interested in deepening their prayer life in this way. For more information contact Elyse Strathy: [strathy@sympatico.ca](mailto:strathy@sympatico.ca)

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**A Day Pilgrimage:** Join us on Saturday, November 2 for a special pilgrimage to *Our Lady of Fatima Shrine and Our Lady of Victory Shrine* in Buffalo, New York. Assembly time is 7:30am and we will return to Lourdes by 8pm. Fare is \$65.00 per person/ \$50 per child. Bring a bag lunch and please remember to bring a **valid passport**. For more information call or text Adele @ 647-522-1958. Proceeds go to the Parish.



**Young Professionals Pub Night:** Are you between the ages of 25 and 40? Want to get involved in the community or just connect with fellow parishioners your age? Join us for drinks, conversation and just a good time at **Storm Crow Manor** (580 Church St, Toronto) on **Monday, October 7th at 7pm!** For more information, email [youngprofessionals@lourdes.to](mailto:youngprofessionals@lourdes.to) or visit @LourdesToronto on Facebook or Instagram

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**ST VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS DINNERS**  
 Our annual St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Dinners will be held in the Parish on **Friday, December 13** for couples and singles and on **Saturday, December 14** for families with children. At the time of registration, Date of Birth, and Identification will be required for everyone planning to attend. **Registration will take place in Lynch Hall at the following times:**

- Wednesday, October 9, 5-8pm
- Thursday, October 10, 5-8pm
- Friday, October 11, 6-8pm
- Saturday, October 12, 1-4pm

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**Church Bulletin Advertising:** Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2019 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

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**BEAUTY FROM OUR FAITH**

*True charity consists in bearing all our neighbours' defects—not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues.*

~ St. Thérèse Lisieux

<b>Lourdes @ a glance: the week of October 6 to 12, 2019</b>						
Sun 6	Mon 7	Tues 8	Wed 9	Thurs 10	Fri 11	Sat 12
27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Kids at Mass RCIA		Alpha – How Do I Pray? 6pm				Baptisms