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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

INDONESIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (UKI)

Sunday Mass: 2:00 p.m.

(Second & Fourth Sundays of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 8:15 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment - Course Required

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements 12 months in advance Marriage Course is required

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please call for appointment.

MEDITATION GROUP

Meets in the Parish Hall Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

FALL OFFICE HOURS

By appointment.

St. Anselm's School

182 Bessborough Drive Toronto, Ontario M4G 4H5

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Tuesday, May 3rd, 8:15 a.m.For the Intentions of Jamie Allen Requested by the Family

Wednesday, May 4th, 8:15 a.m. Maureen Mary-Louise Barber Requested by Theresa Ryan

Thursday, May 5th, 8:15 a.m. Mary Brennan Requested by Theresa Ryan

Friday, May 6th, 8:15 a.m.
For the Intentions of Lucia and Ed Oh
Requested by Brian and Angela Oh & Family

SHARELIFE

ShareLife Sunday is this weekend

"ShareLife is the way the rubber hits the road. This is how we validate the legitimacy and integrity of our Christian life: not by the words we speak, but by the love we share, in practical ways. That's what we do with ShareLife." – Cardinal Thomas Collins Thus far we have raised [insert total raised] toward our goal of [insert goal amount].

Please give generously during the ShareLife Sunday collection or at sharelife.org.

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide
their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, atrisk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

We continue to collect contributions to assist with the humanitarian efforts in Ukraine. You may donate through the parish with a cheque made payable to "St. Anselm – Ukraine Humanitarian Relief or securely online at any time by visiting www.archtoronto.org Thank you!

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

During Catholic Education Week, we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where young people can experience the joy of God's love and understand the Christian mission in the world. Together, our parishes, educators and families sow the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, challenging them to live as joyful and faithful disciples. To affirm your support of Catholic education and sign-up for email updates, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca.

2022 DONATION ENVELOPES

There are several assigned boxes of envelopes still in the Millwood lobby. These will be removed after the May long weekend. If you have a box of envelopes but haven't been able to get to church to pick them up, please call the parish office and we will hold the box for you. Should you be using another method of parish support and no longer require a box of envelopes, please let us know.

Alternative methods of supporting the parish include our pre-authorized giving (PAG) and online giving through our website. Please contact the parish office for further information.

GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE - CASSEROLES

Group "A" casseroles for the Good Shepherd will be collected on Saturday, May 21st from 4:00 – 5:00pm in the church parking lot. As this is the long weekend, please feel free to make arrangements for an early drop off if you will be away.

Please email <u>yvonne.gray@bell.net</u> if you need a pan for the month.

If you are interested in joining the parish casserole program, we always welcome new chefs! We provide the recipe, pan and lid. You prepare and freeze 6 casseroles (one every other month by surname) and deliver to the parking lot on casserole weekend. Please contact the parish office for more information.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

St. Vincent de Paul in our parish is actively recruiting for new members.

Vincentians would be more than happy to answer any questions that prospective members may have regarding the ministry and their activities. Should you wish to explore the call to assist those in need through service with St. Vincent de Paul, please contact the parish office at any time. We would be pleased to put you in touch with Vincentians in our parish who can provide you with information.

21 - 3

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 R Psalm Listening to God's Voice

Rev 5:11-14 John 21:1-19



If you tend to skip ahead in a book to see what's coming up, you already might have glanced at next Sunday's Gospel. In it, the Johannine Jesus affirms that he is the Good Shepherd of all sinners. He knows us. He also assures us that

we can hear his voice, and when we hear it, we recognize and follow him. This look ahead provides a foothold from which we can enter into the sacred texts for today. Each text and the authors who present them remind us that we are bombarded every day by a cacophony of voices. Some speak the truth and offer enlightenment. Others, although they may have good intentions, speak only partial truths. Still others distort the truth or twist it to serve their own concerns. Because these many voices are often forceful and alluring, we need to listen carefully, pray intently and discern wisely which ones we will heed.

In today's first reading from Acts, it is clear that the disciples listened to the voice of the risen Jesus and to the Spirit that he breathed upon them. It is also clear that their listening made them so bold they dared to defy the recognized authorities of their day and to claim that their allegiance lay elsewhere. "We must obey God rather than human beings" set them in direct defiance of the law. Jesus and the Spirit led them to understand that even if an issue is lawful, it is not necessarily just or moral. Omitted from this excerpted text is the fact that Peter and company were flogged for their preaching. This harsh treatment only convinced them that their following of Jesus was authentic, and as a result, they increased their efforts.

In today's second reading, John the Seer presents himself as listening to the voices of many angels who are gathered around the throne of the Lamb singing his praises. As we silence our busy minds to listen, their voices invite our praise as well. Jesus — who was led like a lamb to the slaughter but opened not his mouth — is worthy of our honour, loyalty and commitment to his voice.

That voice, in today's Gospel, invited Peter and the others to cast their nets into the sea even when it seemed like a waste of time and energy. That same voice urges us to attempt what may seem implausible for the sake of the Gospel. Even the impossible becomes possible when we are strengthened by the realization that we do not rely solely on ourselves, but on the renewable resource of divine grace.

We will also listen to the voice of Jesus as he offers Peter the gift of forgiveness. Jesus' words have the power to reconcile. His love called forth the love Peter had for him, a love greater than his three denials of Jesus. Peter's experience of healing and reinstatement represents a paradigm for every follower of Jesus. Just as Peter was asked, "Do you love me?" so are we. Without thinking, like Peter, we will be quick to answer, "Of course I love you." Then the voice of Jesus challenges us to translate those words of love into deeds of love: "Then feed my sheep." He will direct our eyes and ears to God's least ones, the poor, the sick, the homeless, hungry and marginalized. "Can you hear my voice in their need?" he will ask.

If we dare to admit that we hear Jesus' voice in these needy ones, then we cannot help but reach out to feed, to clothe, to shelter and to welcome all without discrimination, without hiding and with open hearts. Jesus suffered and died so that *all* might be saved. He is calling out to us this Easter season. Can we hear his voice? Are we listening>

For the Church, that we may convincingly bear witness, in union with the Holy Spirit, to the freeing and healing power of the Risen Christ...

We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. Our offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations. You can request a box of donation envelopes, enrol in our parish preauthorized giving (PAG) program or make a secure one-time or recurring donation online by visiting ADoT Parish - Toronto East Donation Form - Archdiocese of Toronto (archtoronto.org) and choosing "St. Anselm" from the drop-down menu of parishes. Cheques may be mailed or dropped off in the parish office mailbox at any time. Thank you for your support!

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