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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
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Mass for Intentions Week

Tuesday, May 10th, 8:15 a.m.

Nora Ryan

Requested by Theresa Ryan

Wednesday, May 11th, 8:15 a.m.

Iona D'Silva

Requested by Chris, Aubrey and Melanie D'Silva

Thursday, May 12th, 8:15 a.m.

For the Intentions of Jamie Allen

Requested by the Family

Friday, May 13th, 8:15 a.m.

Salvatore and Rosaria Buffa

Requested by the Family

SHARELIFE

ShareLife and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests. Through ShareLife, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 60 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in this past academic year.

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, at-risk 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!

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 yvonne.gray@bell.net 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.

Acts 13:14, 43-52 Psalm 100

Rev 7:9, 14-17 John 10:27-30

"We are his people; the sheep of his pasture."



In the weeks following the feast of Easter, we present day believers in Jesus contemplate the Christ-event and look back at our beginnings, back to our ancestors in the faith. Because of the

way the early Christian writers distilled and telescoped these years, we may think that full understanding came to them in a flash. But, in truth, they only gradually came to appreciate the full significance of all that God had done in Jesus. Early Christians grew daily in their awareness that God's presence and very self were made manifest in Jesus.

The sacred texts proclaimed during the Easter season make it clear that the first followers of Jesus did not wait to understand completely before they set out on their mission. Rather, they learned as they worked and grew stronger in their faith while they served the needs of others. They

realized in themselves what poet William Blake revealed of his own experience: "I see the Saviour over me, spreading his beams of love and dictating the words of this mild song...I am not a God afar off, I am a brother and friend; within your bosoms, I reside, and you reside in me. Lo, we are one, forgiving all evil, not seeking recompense" ("Jerusalem," 1804-1820). In short, the man Christ has the crucial place in humankind's ageless relationship with God. Jesus is what God means by "Man." He is what man means by "God."

With the realization that God had come to live within them in Jesus, the first disciples committed themselves to bring others the same realization. That commitment required the disciples to be mobile. They could not settle themselves and their ministry in any one place or community. They knew that they were being led forth by the power of the same Spirit who had strengthened and inspired Jesus. Therefore, it was with great courage and determination that disciples such as Paul and Barnabas set out together; the map of the then-known world was their itinerary, and its many peoples and cultures were their agenda. They preached the good news to all they met, but not without encountering challenges and rejection. These negative experiences seemed only to strengthen the resolve of the first evangelists. Gradually, the complexion of the community of believers grew more multicultural and diverse. Gentiles were welcoming God's word and its messengers. As a result, the church was becoming an all-inclusive entity, witnessing to the world — in many voices, in varying accents — the saving power of God. Nevertheless, every success of the growing faith movement was tempered by harsh reality: There would always be people who would oppose them and try to quash what they deemed an aberration and an annoyance. When that happened, the disciples packed up, moved on and began the process all over again, seeking new ears that would listen and new hearts that would accept their message.

In those times of difficulty, they probably listened more intently to hear the voice of Jesus. As their devoted shepherd, Jesus had promised: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me ... no one snatch them out of my hand" (John 10:27-28). It is a constant source of

strength for believers to know and be known, to be held in another's hand in all circumstances. The first disciples might often have been discouraged because they felt they were going it alone, but their Good Shepherd's voice and loving hand assured them otherwise.

The visions of John also gave assurance to the growing Jesus movement. One of these visions is featured as today's second reading. Like a drumbeat keeping a sure tempo in an otherwise cacophonous chorus, the visions of John spoke the same message over and over again: Don't give up. In the good times, I am there, the source of your joy. In the times of sadness, struggle and suffering, I am even nearer. I am the Lamb who has died and now lives. I am your Shepherd who tends and feeds you. Listen to my voice, heed these words, take them to heart and find your solace and strength in them. Goodness will never be overcome by evil. Believe this and live accordingly.

We pray for the church...for the grace to be God's presence in the world...for those called to be prophets...for those who work for justice and witness for peace and all those who voice the concerns of the voiceless...

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Please contact Diego or Tony:

togetherinworshipcanada@gmail.com

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