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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 Intentions for Week

Tuesday, May 31st, 8:15 a.m.

Michael Loconte

Requested by the Family

Wednesday, June 1st, 8:15 a.m.

Freeman and Iona D'Silva

Requested by Chris, Aubrey and Melanie D'Silva

Thursday, June 2nd, 8:15 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of the Yu and Oh Family

Friday, June 3rd, 8:15 a.m.

Carol Ann Waller

Requested by the Sherlock Family

ONTARIO ELECTION IS ON JUNE 2nd
RESOURCES

Though the election debate scheduled for May 18th was cancelled, the Archdiocese still has resources available to Ontario Catholics searching for a better understanding of the issues and parties.

Please visit www.archtoronto.org/election and please remember to vote on June 2nd or use the opportunity to vote early as outlined on your voter card.

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF – UKRAINE

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!

ShareLife and World Communications Day

On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of Deaf people in our community.

"It truly means the world to members of vulnerable populations whom we serve. You help remove barriers faced by Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families. You are a partner in transforming lives." – Kelly MacKenzie, Executive Director, Silent Voice

Our third ShareLife Sunday collection is next weekend.

Please give generously during the special collection or at sharelife.org.

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.

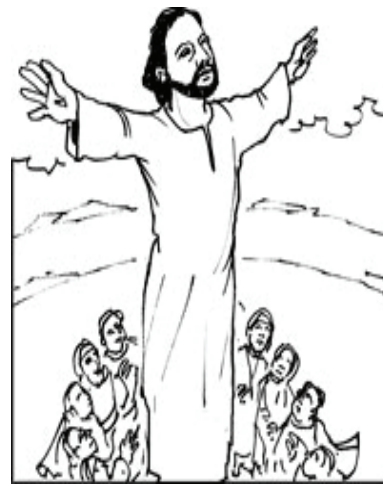
FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:17-23

Luke 24:46-53

"Living The End-Times"



With the Ascension of Jesus, the Christ-event has come full circle. Jesus, who is God, who became flesh and lived within the parameters of human existence, has "gone home" to God and to glory. Not for his own sake did he undertake the journey into the depths of human

need, frailty and sin — but for ours. Because of Jesus' willingness to become like us in all things except sin, human beings have been granted a glimpse "beyond the veil," a glimpse of glory also revealed to us over the past weeks from the writer of Revelation. But Jesus' willing presence in flesh and blood, in time and space, has also revealed a love the authenticity and intensity of which human beings could never have realized on their own. Indeed, someone had to surrender, to become one of us, in order to speak to us in our own language of the incomprehensible, illogical and irrepressible love of God for humankind. In Jesus, we learned that God loves us as Brother, as Father, as Mother, as Sister and even as a Bridegroom who loves his bride. In Jesus, God's love became real, with hands to touch, ears to listen, a heart to ache and a body to suffer — in love, for love, because of love. As recorded by Luke, the ascension of Jesus is both an ending and a beginning. At an end were

the two to three years of companionship with the earthly Jesus as well as his resurrection appearances among his disciples and the opportunity for instruction that these afforded. Ending, too, was the second stage in the story of salvation as perceived by Luke. The first of those stages was the period of Israel, from Moses to the appearance of John the Baptizer; the second was the period of Jesus' ministry, from the inauguration of his public service to his ascension. That period was now ending, and the stage was set for the beginning of the final era of salvation history, in which we still live: the period of the church. Luke described the mission of the church as an intended part of God's preordained plan of salvation and, as such, a mission that would be powered by the Spirit. The first disciples did not immediately understand the nature of their mission (to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins) or its dimensions (to all nations). Indeed, it took repeated revelations and prodding by the Spirit before those early believers became aware that God accepts all without partiality. In fact, right within this brief ascension narrative are couched two of the major issues with which the early church had to struggle — coming to terms with a suffering and dying messiah and accepting non-Jews into their faith fellowship without distinction. Jesus knew that neither the message nor the universal scope of their mission would be a natural fit for his followers. They were not ready to carry forth a message shot through with pain and suffering and they were not ready to spend themselves on a worldwide mission. Therefore, they were told to wait for a power greater than themselves to open their minds, prepare their hearts and warm them to service. Luke was not the only New Testament author to accent the necessary gift of the Spirit for the mission of the church. John also represented the Holy Spirit as the continuation of Christ's presence, leading, reminding, teaching, prompting, enlightening, comforting and strengthening believers. Paul, too, stressed the importance of the Spirit as one who creates in believers the life of Christ and equips them for service. However, it is Luke's emphasis on the Spirit that may have been and continues to be the most unsettling, for, according to Luke, it is the intention of the Holy Spirit to propel the church into places where it might not otherwise have gone, among peoples

whom it might not otherwise have welcomed, into activities that it might not otherwise have attempted. Such a power is disturbing. Nevertheless, it is the "disturbance" of the Spirit that keeps the church alive, active and attuned to Jesus. ***Empower us, Lord; send your Spirit to perturb and disturb, lest we lose sight of your purpose, lest we overlook or ignore your people.***

MARYGROVE CAMP COLLECTION

The Marygrove Camp collection will be taken up on **June 11th and 12th**. Girls from less-fortunate families will be attending camp this summer, what a wonderful opportunity for them to enjoy the great outdoors and all camp has to offer. Please remember to support this important work of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Each and every child's camping experience is fully subsidized through this collection. Envelopes are in your boxed sets or PAG bundles and are also available on the glass tables in the church. Thank you to all parishioners for their generous support of this initiative.

GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE - CASSEROLES

Group "B" casseroles will be collected on **Saturday, June 18th** from 4-5pm in the church parking lot.

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 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 pre-authorized 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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