

ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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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, October 4th, 8:15 a.m.

Jim Brennan

Requested by Lucy Brennan

Wednesday, October 5th, 8:15 a.m.

Rosa, Frank and Michael Loconte

Requested by the Family

Thursday, October 6th, 8:15 a.m.

Mary Brennan

Requested by Lucy Brennan

Friday, October 7th, 8:15 a.m.

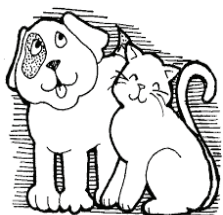
Salvatore and Rosaria Buffa

Requested by the Family

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES GROUP B

Group B casseroles will be collected in the church parking lot from 4-5pm on Saturday, October 15th.

BLESSING OF PETS – OCTOBER 2, 11:45am



October 4th marks the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and his passion for the gifts of God's creation. St. Francis' love for animals resonates with us in North America, where pets are especially cherished and valued. **Sunday, October 2nd following the 11:00 a.m. Mass** on

the front steps of the Church, pets will be blessed as a sign that we view our pets as priceless examples of God's gift of creation.

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN OPEN HOUSE

All candidates running for election for Catholic School Trustee in Ward 11

DATE: TUESDAY OCTOBER 4

TIME: 7:00 TO 9:00PM

LOCATION: ST. BRIGID PARISH HALL

300 WOLVERLEIGH BLVD. (enter by the Glebemount Ave. entrance)

Meet, Listen, Share Concerns & ask Question

Presented by St. Brigid Parish: stbrigid@rogers.com

No pre-registration needed

SAVE THE DATE! St. Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up"

The truck will be in our lot on **October 29th and 30th** to accept gently used clothing, footwear and household textiles such as towels and bedding.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection – October 1/2, 2022

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1/2 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

The fund was the result of a \$30 million financial commitment made by the Canadian Bishops in September 2021.

Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture.

This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation. Thank you for your generosity.

★ FIRST CONFESSIONS ★ *First Communion*

Please be reminded that registration forms for children who will be preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion must be received by **Sunday, October 9th**. You may submit the form and accompanying baptism certificate through the collection basket at the end of Mass or by dropping it off in the parish office mailbox.



Families who live in the St. Anselm parish community are invited to an information/enrollment evening in the church on **Wednesday, October 26th at 7:00pm**. This meeting is for candidates AND parents.

*We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. **Our offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations.** You can 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!*

Marian Retreat

Spend the day with Mother Mary, the mother of Jesus, and our mother too.

When: Wednesday, October 19th, 9:00am to 3:00pm

Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga

Cost: \$45.00 lunch included

Contact: Jean 905-278-5229 or office@goa.ca

GOOD SHEPHERD THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Good Shepherd needs your help this Thanksgiving! Please help restock their pantry to provide meals for homeless and at risk individuals as we head into the colder fall and winter months.

Items most needed include:

- Tomato sauce and canned tomatoes
- Soup and stew in cans
- Mayonnaise and mustard
- Peanut butters, jams and breakfast cereals
- Canned corn and beans such as chickpeas
- Granola bars

Should you wish to contribute to the food drive, ***please place your non-perishable items in the bin located in the the Millwood lobby.*** Thank you for your generosity.

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Psalm 95

2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14

Luke 17:5-10

Alleluia. Alleluia. The word of the Lord endures forever; that word is the Good News announced to you. Alleluia.

FANNING THE FLAME

Faith is the Keynote in each of today's sacred texts. The seldom-referenced prophet Habakkuk had grown frustrated with the lack of faith evidenced in his people's behaviour and responsiveness to God. He was assured, however, that God hears prayers and never

disappoints; he also learned that while rash people have no integrity, the just, because of their faith, shall live.

When the disciples en route to Jerusalem with Jesus learned more of the challenges of discipleship, they feared they did not have the faith to meet those challenges. To that end, they begged, "Increase our faith." Faith is not quantifiable in terms of pounds or kilos. Nevertheless, it is the power that inspires us, helps us to persevere, enables us to struggle and not lose heart, and keeps us ever mindful of God's abiding presence.

Jesus' images of the mustard seed and the mulberry tree graphically illustrate the power of faith to move the

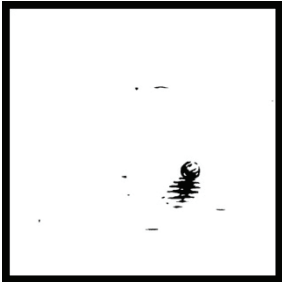
unmovable and accomplish what appears to be impossible. Jesus' parable about the servant seems to say that faith is not a reward for those who have reached the higher echelons; rather, faith is the requisite for every disciple. When we believe, when we have faith, we are merely doing our job as disciples and should seek no reward. We are to keep on keeping the faith.

That brings us full circle back to Paul and the wisdom he shared with his younger friend and colleague Timothy. Paul's advice takes on increased significance if we know that he was in prison at the time and was intent upon helping Timothy as much as possible before he was silenced forever. Little did Paul know that his words and his wisdom would continue to teach believers for centuries. We who hear his voice today are reminded that our faith is God's gift to be tended, stirred and fed like a flame over which we have been put in charge. As stewards of this flame, we will know fear, but we cannot be cowardly, ashamed or weak, nor can we shrink from the suffering and struggles inherent in believing. Paul urged Timothy — and he urges each of us — to take his words as the norm by which we live and guard the rich trust of the faith. We do this with the help of the Holy Spirit, who dwells within us all.

We are more than duly equipped for life in this world. How do we remain so? How do we fan into a flame God's gift of faith that has been kindled within us? One of the Lucan post-resurrection narratives comes to mind. When Jesus met two of his disciples on their way to Emmaus, he stayed with them. He cited and interpreted every passage of scripture that referred to him. He took bread, pronounced the blessing, broke the bread and began to share it with them. Their eyes were opened; the flame of faith within them was set afire. They testified, "Were not our hearts burning inside us as he talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32).

These same resources, the bread of the sacred word and the living bread of Eucharist, remain available to each of us. These are the means whereby our faith is stirred and fanned into a flame. For that reason, we return again and again to Jesus' table, where we are fed, where faith burns, so that others may also see and believe.

For the Church, that God may stir up the Spirit who has been given to each of us and embolden us to love without expectation and to forgive without condition... We Pray...



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