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# Mass Intentions for Week



**Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Ruth Murphy  
Requested by Lucy Brennan

**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Richard Garnett  
Requested by Theresa Ryan

**Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Freeman and Iona D'Silva  
Requested by Chris, Aubrey and Melanie D'Silva

**Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Salvatore and Rosaria Buffa  
Requested by the Family

## ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO PRAYERS FOR THE NEWLY ORDAINED

On Saturday, May 13, 2023, Archbishop Francis Leo ordained seven transitional deacons with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as priests who will serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

As a faith community, we invite you to pray for all those who continue to serve and, in a special way, our newly ordained priests: Rev. Sávio Bruto da Costa, Rev. Sean Jacob, Rev. Mirko Ljuba, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. John Wang and Rev. Matthew Wang. Let us also pray for those who are currently in formation to the priesthood at St. Augustine's Seminary and at the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary.

We give thanks to God for all those who have answered the call to serve the Church through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life.

### SHARELIFE

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### GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES – GROUP B

Group B casseroles will be collected on **Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>** from 4-5pm in the church parking lot. Thank you to our parish casserole chefs for your continued commitment to feeding the hungry.

### VOCATIONS

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” Send forth workers into your vineyard. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD –

11:00am

Children in the parish who are currently in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 1 are invited to join our volunteers for Children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of the 11:00 Mass. Registration is not required.



**EcoAnselm**

#### **We must have HOPE:**

**“Climate change fear can be paralyzing; however, we can spur action through hope, says scientist.”**  
<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/thecurrent/climate-report-katharine-hayhoe>

**Neither false hope nor fatalistic doubt serve to propel a change in behaviour.**  
<https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.>

**Look for inspiring examples of shifts in attitude and behaviours:**  
increased advocacy of sustainability measures in political platforms, shifts in consumer habits and the development of eco-friendly products, global interfaith interest in Laudato Si' and webinars focussed on ways to better care for our planet, conversations and community actions inspired by interfaith perspectives, petitions in our Prayers of the Faithful.

**Pray, reflect, learn, discern, advocate, become part of the green revolution. BE AMONG THE DIFFERENCE-MAKERS.**



**FEAST OF PENTECOST**

*Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104*  
*1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23*

***Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,  
 and renew the face of the earth.***

**Reflection on [Acts 2:1-11](http://www.archtoronto.ca)**



In a speech he delivered before more than a quarter of a million people gathered at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. in 1963, pastor and civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. appealed for the same sort of mutual respect and universal understanding that was being celebrated more than two

millennia ago at Pentecost in Jerusalem. King addressed people who had come from all over the United States with all their differing ideals and experiences.

“I have a dream,” intoned King, “that one day in Georgia, the sons of former slaves and the sons of slave owners will be able to sit down together ... that Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heart of injustice, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice ... from New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Colorado, California and Tennessee ... all God’s children black and white, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will join hands and sing ...”

King’s dream of unity among the world’s different peoples affirms that what happened that long-ago day in Jerusalem was not an end in itself but the beginning of a process that continues to this day. To affirm the significance of that moment and the importance of the gift of the Spirit, Luke called upon dramatic witnesses — a noise like a driving wind, tongues as of fire, people speaking in different tongues. Then, when he had everyone’s attention, he affirmed that all of them heard, in their own native tongues, the proclamation of the mighty acts of God. All those acts came to their culmination in the Christ-event, when their Lord and brother Jesus suffered and died and rose to life, sending forth his saving Spirit to live with and within his followers forever.

In his first volume, the Lucan evangelist emphasized the constant presence of the Spirit with Jesus. More than the other Synoptics and even more than the Johannine evangelist, Luke referenced the Holy Spirit 17 times in his Gospel. In Acts, the Spirit’s presence is attested 57 times, every mention of which was meant to affirm the continuity between Luke and Acts. This continuity offered assurance (Luke 1:4) to Luke’s readers that the work Jesus had begun was being carried on by his followers in a legitimate fashion, because the same Spirit who empowered Jesus continued to empower the community of his followers. In Acts, as Joseph Fitzmyer has explained, Luke presented what he believed to be the third period of salvation history: that of the church (The Gospel According to Luke, Doubleday, New York: 1984). In this period, the promises of both Testaments are fulfilled and the Spirit is given to the people of God as a whole.

That same Spirit continues to blow and breathe among us just as dramatically and freely and powerfully as when the Spirit’s presence was first sent among us. Without this Spirit, the Way would remain unwalkable, the Truth unknowable and the Life unlivable. But, as John Chrysostom has assured us, with the Spirit, “we are not only free but also holy, not only holy but also just, not only just but also children and heirs and brothers and sisters of Christ.” In that capacity, we are empowered by the Spirit’s gift of understanding to be brothers and sisters to one another. Can we become what we celebrate?

***For the church, that we may faithfully confess Jesus as Lord and be guided by the Holy Spirit to continue the mission of Christ in our time...We pray...***

***For Christian unity, that the Spirit may heal the divisions that exist, bring down the walls of mistrust and help us to pray and work together in God’s service...We pray..***

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