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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

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 p.m.

MEDITATION GROUP

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

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – noon;
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

St. Anselm's School

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Mass for Intentions Week

Tuesday, May 20th, 8:15 a.m.

Mary Kostovcik

Requested by Mel Kostovcik

Wednesday, May 21st, 8:15 a.m.

Nora Ryan

Requested by Theresa Ryan

Thursday, May 22nd, 8:15 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of the Kalita Family

Requested by the Family

Friday, May 23rd, 8:15 a.m.

For Peace and Care of Creation

Requested by EcoAnselm



May – the month of Mary

Honouring the Blessed Virgin Mary during the month of May began near the end of the 13th century. We acknowledge that she is the mother of Jesus, the mother of the Church and therefore our mother as well. Her particular vocation is to show Jesus to the world and invite us into deeper relationship with Him. She not only prays with us, but prays for us, so that we may know and do God's will.

The Rosary is an "old friend" that invites us to reflect on the mystery of Jesus, how He touched Mary's life and continues to be present to His Church. It is a simple and beautiful meditation. The Rosary can be quite calming in times of stress and anxiety, as it brings us into God's loving and healing presence.

This month when we pray the Rosary, let us remember to pray for peace, justice and the care of creation. Let us pray that we will join with God and build up the Kingdom.

JUBILEE 2025: DAY WITH MARY

Saturday May 31, 2025: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Villanova College, 2480 15th Sideroad, King City

During this Jubilee Holy Year, come spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope. Join us for Mass with Frank Cardinal Leo, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address with Dr. Josephine Lombardi, inspiring witnessing for the adults and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd activities for the children. Draw closer to Mother Mary in praying the rosary together.

Enjoy fellowship with families from across the Archdiocese of Toronto at this outdoor gathering. Admission is free but registration is required. All are welcome! Learn more and register: www.archtoronto.org/mary



A poster for St. Anselm's Parish with a yellow cross icon. The text reads: "Support St. Anselm's Parish", "Please consider supporting the parish by making a one-time or monthly donation. Simply scan this QR code with your phone to contribute.", "Tax receipts for one-time or monthly donations will be issued.", "Thank you for supporting our parish!", and a large QR code with a "SCAN ME" button below it.



The United Nations dedicated MAY 20th "WORLD BEE DAY". According to Greenpeace Canada, one third of our global food supply depends on the pollination services provided by bees, butterflies and other insects. Protecting these pollinators "would significantly contribute to solving problems related to the global food supply and eliminate hunger in developing countries".

un.org/en/observances/bee-day

"Pollinator Partnerships Canada (P2C) is a registered charity dedicated to the protection and promotion of pollinators and their ecosystems through conservation, education and research." Their website includes a range of articles and webinars: pollinatorpartnership.ca/

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION**MAY 24-25**

Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Envelopes are included with boxed sets and PAG bundles. Special collection envelopes are also available on the glass tables at the entrances to the church. Please give generously

COFFEE SUNDAY – MAY 25th after the 11AM MASS

Please join your fellow parishioners after the 11:00am Mass next Sunday, May 25th for coffee and treats on the Millwood landing. Many thanks to Pablo for organizing this gathering. We hope to see you there!

Acts 14:21b-27**Ps 145****Revelation 21:1-5a****John 13:1,31-33a,34-35*****Love One Another as I have loved you***

Anyone who has been privileged to watch, wait and pray as a loved one approaches the final passage through death to life will probably never forget the experience. The dying one's last words are especially unforgettable. Often these words convey a final expression of love, a wish for the well-being of the people left behind, even a sigh of fear or sadness. The survivors will visit and revisit these words as a way to feel connected to the person they miss. In what has been called the Last Supper Discourse, the Johannine evangelist has presented the words that the soon-to-die Jesus wished to leave with his disciples. Four of the five Sunday Gospels for May put those last words of Jesus before us once again. The other Gospel, the one for Pentecost, reminds us that we have been empowered to make those words speak again in us. For today, the word is a commandment: "Love one another as I have loved you." Jesus, as we know, loved big and bold. To be in his presence, to hear his voice, to feel his healing touch was to know you were dearly loved and cherished. His love was so profound and authentic that he gave his life for the salvation of sinners. Although he is the redeemer of us all and we are indebted to him for our very breath, he calls us his beloved, his friends. When they chose to respond to the great love they had come to know in Jesus, Paul and Barnabas (Acts) also loved large. They set aside their own plans for their lives and devoted themselves to a ministry that would extend the love of Jesus to all peoples. Their mission is encapsulated in today's first

reading: a pattern that they would repeat in city after city for the rest of their lives. While all of us are called to love, we may not be called to love as dangerously as Jesus, Paul, Barnabas and the other pioneers of our faith. Each of us has to discover the best way to express our love. In her own quest to discover the best way to love, Oprah Winfrey has used her fame and success in order to be extremely generous to others. With Nelson Mandela as her mentor, Winfrey chose to build a school for girls in South Africa. She wanted to give students the tools they would need to become a transforming presence in their country. She could have simply written a check and left it to others to complete the work, but Winfrey remained personally involved in even the most minor decisions. "Love is in the details," she explained. Love was also in the details for Franz Kafka, a German-speaking Jewish author from Czechoslovakia who died in 1924. Kafka left a considerable legacy to the literary world. His writings were so characterized by surreal distortion and a sense of impending danger that they spawned the adjective "Kafkaesque." In spite of this usual style, however, in person he could be quite compassionate and funny. Near the end of his life, Kafka met a little girl in the street who was crying because she had lost her doll. He quickly explained to her that although the doll had gone away, he, by a happy coincidence, had just met the plaything and it had promised to write. In the weeks that followed, as his tuberculosis slowly overcame him, Kafka wrote letters to the little girl in which the doll told about its travels and all manner of interesting experiences. We can only imagine the joy that his efforts brought to the child.

The actions of Winfrey and Kafka have not been preserved in the scriptures like those of Jesus, Barnabas and Paul. Nevertheless, they can inspire each one of us to discover how to love in our own small ways: by choosing a kind word rather than a critical one, offering a smile or a helping hand, sending a letter to a friend, remembering someone's birthday, listening to the lonely, being patient with the impatient, showing interest in someone else's plans. As the Gospels reflect, Jesus understood the importance of loving God and others in little ways: giving food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, welcome to strangers, and clothing to the needy and visiting the sick and imprisoned. These "little ways," in fact, became the criteria for gaining a welcome into eternity. Love is in the details. ... ***Congratulations to all the candidates for Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist who continue to celebrate with us during this Easter season. This new life is true witness to the commandment Jesus challenges us with in the Gospel this weekend – love one another as I have loved you....***

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