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Hilton Chiu

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## PARISH SCHOOLS

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## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:00 pm

SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:30 am | 12:30 pm | 7:00 pm

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY - 9:10 am

WEDNESDAY - 7:00 pm (Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

FIRST FRIDAY - 9:10 am followed by

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY

9:30 am – 10:00 am | 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Wednesday

9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Saturday

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Sunday

9:00 am – 2:00 pm



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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +SHAU FEN LAI

**TUESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +DISHAN RAVINE  
ALICE WONG

**WEDNESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER**

**7:00 PM** +HELEN SALVANI

**THURSDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +MERVYN AUGUSTINE  
+JESSIE CASTELINO  
RENEE LEE WAH

**FRIDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +DESMOND LYN  
+DAVID SUEN  
RACHEL MARTINEZ & FAMILY

**SATURDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER**

**9:10 AM** +EUGENIO MENENDEZ  
EFFIE GOMES  
CONFIRMATION LEADERS

**5:00 PM** +HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY  
LAN YING YAW CHING

**SUNDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER**

**8:30 AM** Available

**10:30 AM** PARISHIONERS

**12:30 PM** +ARTHUR MERDJANIAN

**7:00 PM** Available

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

FOR THE WEEK OF 11 SEPT – 17 SEPT IS  
AVAILABLE.

**STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS**

**Reflection on Love**



In today's second reading from Romans, St. Paul speaks about the importance of love. He boldly proclaims that we should "owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." Let us take some time today to reflect on how we can live out this exhortation as stewards of Christ.

Before we can proceed, we must understand what love is and what it is not. Firstly, love is not a feeling but rather a choice that we must make every day. The classical definition of love is willing the good of the other. So, in order to love, we must not look towards our own needs but to the needs of others. It is essentially a lens of stewardship that seeks to use our own gifts to serve our neighbor.

However, in order to express our love, we must move past merely willing the good to actually doing the good for others. St. Gregory the Great says that "the proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist." So, in order to love, we must concretely choose to perform loving acts that will the good of the other. Let us reflect on how we can practice this within our parish community.

**SJM CHOIR MINISTRY**

**Resumes after Summer Break**

**New Members are Welcome!**

**SJM Adult Choir:** The St. Justin Martyr Parish Adult Choir Ministry resumes its practice on Tuesday, September 12, 2023. There will be regular practices on Tuesdays from 2-4 pm and Thursdays from 7:30-9 pm. If you wish to join the Adult Choir, please contact Julia Iacono-Hauser at [julia.iacono@sympatico.ca](mailto:julia.iacono@sympatico.ca).

**SJM Children's Choir:** The Children's Choir will resume practicing after the summer break on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, from 4:45-6 pm. If you wish your child (ren) to join the Choir team, please register them at <https://forms.office.com/r/7VrJP3Nk64>. A \$50 annual registration fee is applicable to each child which can be remitted at the Parish Office.

**SeptemberFest 2023**

**Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 6 pm**

***Knights of Columbus***

***St. Justin Martyr Parish, Unionville***

Join the Knights of Columbus on **Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 6 pm at the Parish Hall** for a fun-filled evening. You are welcome for a sit-down dinner, fun games and more. **Tickets are \$25 each.** For details, see our flyer below.



## First Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation:

Parents of children entering Grade 2 and above in 2023-2024 school year are requested to enroll their child(ren) for the First Reconciliation, First Communion Sacramental Preparation Program. The link to register is available at [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca).

If your child (age 7 and older) has not been Baptized in the Catholic faith, please contact Sacramental Preparation Coordinator- Rachel Martinez at the earliest at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com).

*Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism is a prerequisite for the reception of First Holy Communion.*

**Confirmation Sacramental Preparation:** You could register your child(ren) in Grade 7 this year or older children who missed the Sacrament of Confirmation earlier now. Parents may enroll their child(ren) to attend in-person classes on either Sundays from 4:30-6 pm or Mondays from 7-8:30 pm. Spots are available on a first come first served basis. For registrations and details, visit [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca).

If your child is not Baptized or haven't had First Holy Communion, contact Rachel Martinez at the earliest at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com).

## Volunteers Needed to help with the Sacrament of Confirmation:



We are looking for adult and student volunteers (Grade 8 and above) to help with Confirmation preparation. If you would like more information, kindly email Rachel Martinez at [sjm.rcic@gmail.com](mailto:sjm.rcic@gmail.com) or call the Parish office at 905 479 2463.

## CATHOLIC MOM'S GROUP

### Welcome All Mothers



The Catholic Mom's Group resumes meeting on Monday, September 25 and Wednesday, September 27, after the Mass. Our focus this year will be Bishop Barron's book, "This is My Body: A call to Eucharistic Revival" and Pope John Paul II's "Letter to Women." Copies of the book are available for purchase at \$5.50 by contacting [catholicmomsgroup.sjm@gmail.com](mailto:catholicmomsgroup.sjm@gmail.com). Join us monthly, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday morning or following Wednesday evening, for prayer, conversation, and meaningful friendships.

## SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2023

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## SSVP WINTER COAT DRIVE

Sun, Sept 10, 2023 to Mon, Oct 02, 2023



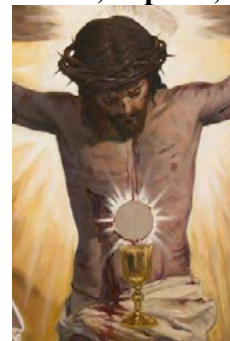
The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, together with the Salvation Army are continuing the community project of keeping the needy warm this winter.

As you know, these are difficult times for those with a low income. For many families, the cost of warm winter clothing is just not in the budget! We hope that you can help us out by looking through your closets and donating any coats that are no longer needed by you or your family members. We need coats in good condition for men, women and children of all sizes! Please ask your families, friends and neighbours for their assistance too. Together we can continue to help our Neighbours in Need.

*Drop off Location: St. Justin Martyr Parish, Unionville (close to the Tree of Life in the foyer)*

## DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Sat, Sept 30, 2023, from 8:15 am to 12:15 pm



The Legion of Mary at St. Justin Martyr welcomes everyone to a Day of Recollection on Saturday, September 30 from 8:15 am to 12:15 pm. The theme is "My Sacrifice and Yours: Understanding the Rituals of the Mass," led by Rev. Eric Rodrigues. Join us for the celebration of Eucharist, talks, prayer, rosary, confession, and benediction. Light refreshments will follow. Find our flyer below.

FORMED PICK

**Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows  
Feast Day: Friday, September 15, 2023**



Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, wife of Dr. Scott Hahn and mother of six, is a convert to the Catholic Faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for her to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

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**MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST**

**Saturday, Oct 14, 2023, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm  
at 2201 Finch Avenue W. North York, ON**

**CWL Event, Registration required.**



Join Mary, The Cause Of Our Joy, Toronto Chapter for our 47<sup>th</sup> Magnificat breakfast. Treat your mother, sister, colleague, or friend to an inspirational morning that includes a hot breakfast, praise and worship led by our spirit-filled music ministry, a personal testimony of the transforming love of Christ in the life of an invited speaker. Priests are available for women wishing to avail themselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Registration Fee - \$38. For complete details, visit  
<https://www.stbenedicts.ca/magnificat-breakfast>

**NEW BEGINNINGS: FREE ONLINE DROP-IN  
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SESSION**

**Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at 7 pm**

If you or someone you know has suffered the loss of a loved one, you are welcome to attend this online session to share your thoughts with others in a safe, welcoming, and non-judgmental forum. The session focuses on Autumn Grief: Change and Continuity. If you wish to participate, register at  
<https://bd0923.eventbrite.ca>

**SEASON OF CREATION 2023**



The annual event of the Season of Creation begins on September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology). Each year a theme is chosen by an ecumenical steering committee and in 2023 inspiration is taken from Amos 5:24 that proclaims, "Let Justice and Peace Flow" and the symbol is "A Mighty River." Let us pray and work for responsible stewardship of the earth and sustainable living. To learn more, check out the Latest Events section at [www.stjustin.ca](http://www.stjustin.ca)

**CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ST.  
MICHAEL AND CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM**

**Friday, September 29, 2023, at 5:30 pm**



The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 pm at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful. There will be an informal reception afterwards. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

**NEWMAN CENTRE PRESENTS:  
THE DATE NIGHT SERIES**

**Wednesday, Sept 20, 2023, from 6 pm to 9 pm**

Join us on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 6pm for our first Date Night event of the Fall Season. *Healthy Relationships: How to keep things healthy.* Our guest speaker will be Ann Morgan, Registered Psychotherapist. Delicious dinner for two, fellowship with other Catholic couples, and an inspiring talk. Don't delay in obtaining your tickets at \$50 per couple. Register at <https://bit.ly/3Z42UH8> For details, call 416 979 2468.



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**The Knights of Columbus invite you to:**

# **Septemberfest**

**Saturday, Sept 23 at 6 PM**

**Sit-Down Dinner at St Justin's Hall**

**Ticket price includes:**

**Oktoberfest Sausage or Chicken Schnitzel on a bun or vegetarian lasagna, potato salad, corn on the cob, tossed salad, pretzels, drinks & desserts.**

**Games! Silent Auction! Music by DJ Mark!**

**Ticket: \$25**

**On sale after Mass Sept 9/10, Sept 16/17**

**Beer and Wine Available**

(not included in the ticket price)

**Proceeds from this event support the Knight's charities**





# DAY OF RECOLLECTION

## St. Justin, Martyr Parish



**Theme: “My Sacrifice and Yours”**  
*Understanding the Rituals of the Mass*

**Leader: Rev. Eric Rodrigues**

Director of Spiritual Formation and Liturgy, Lecturer in Systematic Theology  
at St. Augustine's Seminary & Spiritual Director of the Legion of Mary – North East Scarborough Curia



**Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**8:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

*Celebration of the Eucharist, 2 Talks, Legion prayers,  
Rosary, Confession, Light refreshments, & Benediction*


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