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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, 25 SEPTEMBER

9:10 AM +THERESA NG PANG
+RAMON BOB CARAG

TUESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER

9:10 AM GERARDO FAMILY
CONNIE CHU

WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER

7:00 PM +HANS WIESER

THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER

9:10 AM JOSE SANTOS & FAMILY

FRIDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER

9:10 AM +GINA FIGLIOMENI
ALICE WONG

SATURDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER

9:10 AM +MARY RICHARDSON
+VERA & FREDIA COOPER
+NELLIE WONG
JOSEPH FAMILY

5:00 PM +SHING-TUNG LAM
HERMAN HO

*Ongoing Healing & Reconciliation of
Indigenous People of The Land*

SUNDAY, 01 OCTOBER

8:30 AM +JOSE GATO

10:30 AM PARISHIONERS

12:30 PM +MARIANNA ASSENZA
+TOM FUJIWARA
CHRISTINE SIDDIQUI

7:00 PM +CORRADO SALAMILLAS

SANCTUARY LAMP

FOR THE WEEK OF 25 SEPT – 01 OCT IS FOR
THE INTENTION OF FIONA PIRES.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Collection: Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the **weekend of Sept 30 & Oct 01, 2023**, 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. 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.

For more information or to donate online, visit:

www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

Thank you for your generosity.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

Rejoicing in Our Neighbor's Gifts

In the first reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah we are reminded that God doesn't think the same way we do. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Not only are God's ways different than ours, they are higher and better.

We see this in the Gospel where the landowner in the parable gives an equal wage to the labourers regardless of how long they worked for. The labourers who worked the longest felt that they did not receive what was just. As stewards, we too can sometimes fall into the temptation of feeling that the gifts God has given us is not to the level we would have liked. Similarly, we may sometimes feel that other people should not have the gifts that they have received. In doing this, we are subtly wanting God to think in the same way we do.

Instead, we should strive to be stewards that are grateful for the gifts we have received. Moreover, we should even be grateful and praise God for the gifts of others. As we are all one Body of Christ, when one member has particular gifts, we all as a Church should celebrate and boast of that gift.

St. Paul says in his letter to the Corinthians that within the Body of Christ, "if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." Let us take some time today to thank God for His many gifts in our lives and the lives of our fellow parishioners.

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 to 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.

MASS & ADORATION**Friday, October 05, 2023, at 9:10 am & 7 pm**

All are invited for the Masses and Adoration on Friday, October 05, 2023 at 9:10 am (followed by Adoration) and at 7 pm (followed by Adoration). Come and join us in prayer with Jesus.

OUT OF THE COLD CASSEROLE PROGRAM**Saturday, October 14, 2023; 10:30 to 11 am**

We are back after the summer break with the Out of the Cold Casserole program, to feed those in need. Our next casserole delivery will be on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Frozen casseroles can be delivered into the parked car of Joy Vaz-Jones in the parish parking lot between 10:30 and 11 am. Please sign up to participate by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/rWe6vEZucpueteFZ6>. You can also email joyvazjones@gmail.com or call the parish office at 905 479 2463. Thank you in advance!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE 2023**November 24, 25 & 26, 2023**

St. Justin Martyr Parish Annual Christmas sale is back again! Save the date for the big event, scheduled on November 24, 25 & 26,

2023. Come and feel the spirit of Christmas, surf through handmade Christmas gifts, craft items, baked goods, and some Christmas cheer too.

Calling All Bakers: We are looking for skilled and experienced bakers to join our Christmas Bake team. If you or a friend of yours would be available, please contact the Office at 905 479 2463 or email stjustinmartyrun@archtoronto.org.

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2023www.sharelife.org

Many of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants – dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action. Please support our fight against hunger at www.sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in our community and beyond.

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF- MOROCCO

The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through our Catholic partners in Morocco to support relief efforts underway. Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

-Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website

www.archtoronto.org

-By phone through the Development Office, call 416 934 3411

-Through the parish, making cheques payable to: "St. Justin Martyr Parish – Morocco Earthquake - Humanitarian Relief."

For more details, visit www.stjustin.ca

109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES, Sun, Sept 24, 2023

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay." In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St. John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, "building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country." As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said "...I was a stranger, and you welcomed me" reminding us that the Lord's words are a "constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door." To read the full message from Pope Francis, go to www.stjustin.ca.

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.

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.

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.

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

LIFECCHAIN 2023

Sunday, October 01, 2023, from 2 to 3 pm



Be part of Campaign Life Coalition Life Chain, joining thousands across Canada standing up against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration on Sunday, October 01, 2023, from 2 pm to 3 pm at Highway 7 and McCowan intersection. For details, contact Patrick Redmond at 905 294 9389 or visit www.campaignlifecoalition.com/lifechain.

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 47th Magnificat breakfast. 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>

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 Jurković 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!

Novena to St. Michael the Archangel: In prayerful consideration, Archbishop Leo encourage and invite all the faithful of our archdiocese – clergy, consecrated and laity, and all communities of faith, to join the entire Archdiocesan family in a Novena to Saint Michael the Archangel in preparation for the liturgical celebration. You will find the prayer in the attachment. We will begin this Novena from Wednesday, September 20 until Thursday, September 28, 2023. Please keep in mind and heart the Mass for the Conferral of the Pallium in your prayer intentions as well, that this event may prove to be a strong, spiritual, and joyful ecclesial encounter with the Lord, all united as members of his Body.

Find the Novena to St. Michael the Archangel below.
For more details, visit www.stjustin.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.



Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Heavenly and Almighty Father,
God of mercy and compassion,
we give you thanks and praise for all your kindness and blessings
which you bestow upon us, your beloved children,
and for the opportunities of spiritual renewal
which you provide out of the abundance of your unfailing love and
graciousness.

As we honour the glorious Archangel St. Michael,
whose zeal for your almighty power obtains for us your own loving protection,
in the name of Christ our Saviour and Brother and through your Holy Spirit,
guide our steps along the path of holiness of life,
and guard our thoughts

as we journey through this life to our heavenly homeland.

Confident of the powerful intercession of our patron saint St. Michael,
we now ask for this grace (*say your intention*).

Inspire in us the same humility and thirst for justice and holiness
which animated your great servant and angelic messenger.

May our lives give glory to you,
our families bear witness to your love
and our communities of faith be filled
with the grace and joys of your Kingdom. Amen.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou,

O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts,

by the power of God,

thrust into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits,

who prowl about the world

seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

St. Michael, filled with the wisdom of God, pray for us.

St. Michael, perfect adorer of the Incarnate Word, pray for us.

St. Michael, crowned with honour and glory, pray for us.

St. Michael, our help in all adversities, pray for us.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



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Calling ALL MOMS!

YOU ARE INVITED A MONTHLY GATHERING!

DID YOU KNOW that close to your child's school, there is a community of Catholic women ready to listen, ready to inspire and ready to cheer you on in your role as a mom?

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NOTE: This is a program provided by Dynamic Women Association of Ontario (DWA).



Calling All Bakers!



**DO YOU HAVE A DAY OR TWO TO
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**DO YOU HAVE A SPECIALTY?
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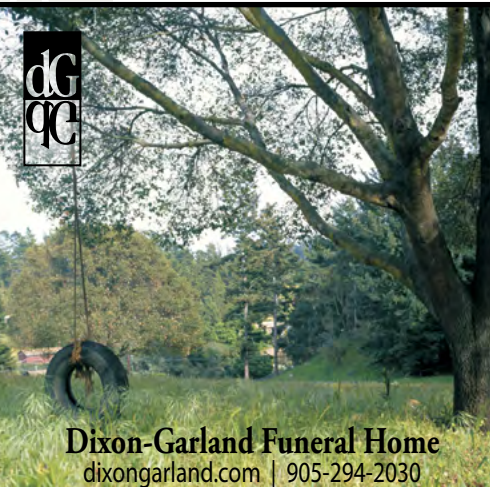


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