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3rd Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 2.14, 22b-28

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.17-21

Gospel: Luke 24.13-35

The Road to Emmaus

Sharing our Burning Hearts

In today's Gospel we reflect on the Road to Emmaus. As the two disciples walk along, Jesus appears and breaks open the scriptures and breaks bread with them. This same structure is what we experience at Mass with the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Reflecting on their walk with Christ, the disciples were profoundly touched, exclaiming "were not our hearts burning within us?" So too, when we partake in Mass our hearts should burn within us from the glory and love of God. But what should we do with this burning?

The disciples rushed back to the others in Jerusalem "that same hour" and proclaimed that the Lord is risen. They learned more about their faith and went in haste to share the good news and support the other believers. Likewise, after growing in our faith and being strengthened at Mass we should support the believers in our parish community by giving of our time and talent. As stewards of Christ, we should not delay in sharing our gifts from God with others but seek to help immediately.

This Easter season, let us decide to renew our commitment to our parish by joining various ministries to help the good news of the resurrection be proclaimed. The Church needs us to be sharers of God's gifts. St Peter in his first letter says "as each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). Let us end by asking ourselves, how well do we cultivate our gifts and aid the spread of the Gospel?

Summary

Just like the disciples from the Gospel, our hearts should burn within us from the presence and love of God that we experience in Mass. The disciples rushed back to the others in Jerusalem "that same hour" and proclaimed that the Lord is risen. Likewise, after being strengthened at Mass we should support the believers in our parish community by giving of our time and talent.

Regular Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses:

Daily morning mass will be celebrated Tuesday to Friday at 8:30 am.

Weekend Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil) Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses 9:00 am

10:30 am

12:00 pm

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday April 22nd

5:00 pm - Jocelyn Nitura - Thanksgiving

†Norma Ramos †Eulyn Aird

Sunday April 23rd

9:00 am - Adora Uniforme Muhallin

10:30 am - PNorma Ramos

12:00 pm - + Ursula Braganza

Amilda D'Cunha

Monday April 24th

9:00 am -

Tuesday April 25th

8:30 am -

Wednesday April 26th

8:30 am - Claude & Armance Lebelle – Thanksgiving for 54th wedding anniversary

Thursday April 27th

8:30 am -

Friday April 28th

8:30 am -



50+ GROUP

Join us in welcoming Spring after what has seemed like an unending winter.

We will have our Spring Fest on Wednesday, April 26th. Tickets will be on sale after all the masses this weekend

Tickets are \$12 for members, and \$15 for nonmembers. We ask that you please have exact change if possible.

Please also bring a reusable container for any leftovers as we no longer have styrofoam containers available.

We look forward to seeing you.



St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Weekend

Thank you to all our very generous parishioners who donated clothing, household linens, shoes, and various other items to help our Neighbours in Need.

Your generosity is very much appreciated.



legion of mary

The Legion of Mary is hosting a celebration for the procession and the crowning of The Blessed Virgin Mary on May 20 after the 5 pm Mass.

All are welcome to join and celebrate with us this special occasion. May is the Month of the Rosary for the Virgin Mary.

Reception to follow right after at the Church Hall.

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2023

FIRST COMMUNION DATES

June 10, Sat,9:00 amSt. MartinJune 10, Sat.11:00 amSt. UrsulaJune 10, Sat.1:00 pmSt. Malachy

In-person classes

March 29, Thurs. 6:00 – 7:30 pm April 13, 20, 27 & June 8 6:30 – 7:30 pm

CONFIRMATION DATES

May 30, Tues. 6:30 pm St. Ursula May 31, Wed. 6:30 pm St. Martin June 2, Fri. 6:30 pm St. Malachy

Confirmation Registration

April 29, Sat. 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Confirmation Enrollment

April 29, Sat. 5:00 pm mass St. Martin de Porres S. April 30, Sun. 10:30 am mass St. Malachy School April 30, Sun. 12:00 pm mass St. Ursula School

Preparation Classes:

April 30, May 7, 14, 21 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

May 28 (Retreat) 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm RETREAT

Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations:

The Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations is on *Friday, May 5, 2023*. On this day, parishes throughout the archdiocese hold prayer initiatives dedicated to vocations. This year we are inviting you to take a moment on this day to pray for two intentions: for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life and for endurance in vocations already committed.

Prayer Vigil: Please be advised that the Prayer Vigil, for our soon-to-be priests is being held at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on *Friday, May 12, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.*. There will be praise and worship, interspersed throughout the evening, communal prayers, such as the Rosary and a sung version of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

For more information please contact the Office of Vocations via email – <u>vocations@archtoronto.org. Please</u> note, this event is open to the public.

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