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MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon

Saturday 10:00 pm

Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 am

Sunday 9:00 am

11:30 am

7:30pm

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:45 pm

Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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PARISH LIFE

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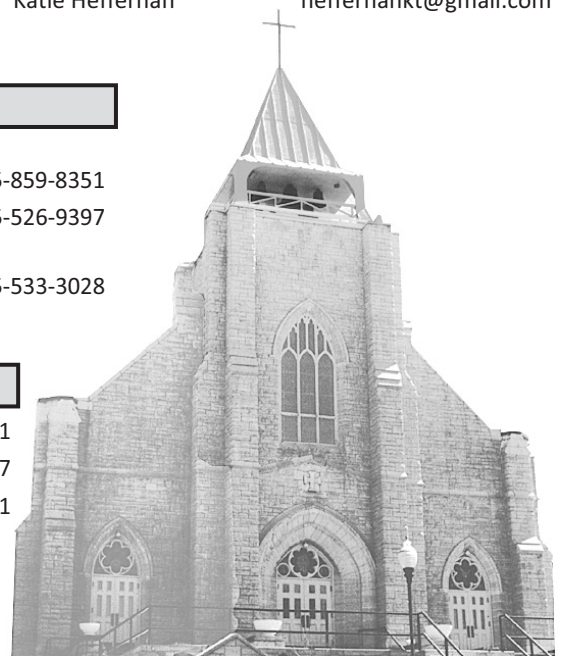
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St. Margaret's Schedule

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Saturday 10am

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Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9am, 11:30 am and 7:30 pm

Doors will open 30 minutes before mass begins

Holy Hour:

Fridays 11 am

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Confessions:

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Sundays 8:30 am to 8:55 am & 11 am to 11:25 am



Sanctuary Lamp

August 16-23, 2020

This week the lamp burns for the intentions of

Fred & Edwina Smith

(65th Wedding Anniversary on August 20, 2020)

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who have asked for prayers:

Shelley Smith; Stephen Roach; Anne Marie Radko;
Anne Marie Calhoun; Nadine Adams; Joe and Jan Galaski;
Nellie Kwapis; Verna Goneau; Paula Henderson

**Please pray for our recently deceased
relatives & friends:**

Cecille Moreau; Gil Moreau



Mass Intentions

20th Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday August 18th

12:05 noon + George MacDonald

Requested by Ernie & Yvette Vaillancourt

Wednesday August 19th

12:05 noon + Lise Dalrymple

Requested by Rita Coté

Thursday August 20th

St. Bernard

12:05 noon Intentions and blessing of the

Rebic family grandchildren

Friday August 21st

St. Pius X

11am Holy Hour

12:05 noon + Murray Charlebois

Requested by Vivian Charlebois

Saturday August 22nd

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10 am + Murray Charlebois

Requested by Vivian Charlebois

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass - Saturday August 22nd

5pm + Cecile Quesnelle

Requested by Chris, Vanessa & boys

Sunday August 23rd

9am + Bob Whittam

Requested by Adele, Kerry, Nic & Cam

11:30 am missa pro populo

7:30 pm + Pat Leahy

Requested by Connie McHugh & family



Mass Intentions

21st Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday August 25th

12:05 noon + Kata & Ivan Rebic

Requested by the Rebic family

Wednesday August 26th

12:05 noon + Gail LeClair

Requested by Don & Anne Butineau

Thursday August 27th

St. Monica

12:05 noon + Nediljko Rebic

Requested by the Rebic family

Friday August 28th

St. Augustine

11am Holy Hour

12:05 noon + Giovanni Ingriselli

Requested by Rosa Ingriselli

Saturday August 29th

St. John the Baptist

10 am + Josip Nincevic

Requested by the Rebic family

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass - August 29th

5pm + Jack Smith

Requested by Carmel Cox

Sunday August 30th

9am + George MacDonald

Requested by Adele, Kerry, Nic & Cam

11:30 am missa pro populo

7:30 pm Intentions of health and peace for

The Ivanka Domazet family

Reflection: Matthew 14: 13-21

The gospel tells us that on hearing of the execution of John the Baptist, Jesus withdrew by boat to a deserted place by himself. He must have been badly affected by this bad news not only because John was his friend and cousin, but also because of the consequences he went through in preaching the Good News: imprisonment and death.

Thus, Jesus wanted time and solitude to think and pray to discover whether or not he should go on with his mission at all and if yes, how his Father would have him carry it out. However, this was not to happen. The crowd found out where Jesus was and followed him on foot. They had come with their hope that he would do something to ease their afflictions.

On seeing them, his heart was moved with pity for them. Forthwith he set aside his own need for solitude and prayer and attended to their needs. He saw some of them sick and he helped them. He saw all of them hungry, he fed them even if he had to perform a miracle to do so. Thus, his compassion lessened their sufferings and even gave them hope to go on. In other words, his compassion was translated into action.

The apostles also had compassion on the people. But theirs was a different kind. Seeing it was getting dark, they advised Jesus to dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves. This was just how far their compassion went.

From this gospel episode, we can easily see that Jesus was genuinely concerned not only for the spiritual but also for the material welfare of the people. His compassion extended to the whole person – both material and spiritual needs.

Jesus wants us to have compassion. But not the kind of compassion the apostles had, a compassion without corresponding action, a concern that points to others to do the action needed. Rather Jesus wants us to adopt his kind of compassion – one that flows directly into action and thus gives encouragement and is life-giving.

There was a farmer whose farms were full of corn. Every morning on waking up, he prayed aloud that the needy would be supplied with food. But when someone in need asked for a little of his corn, he said that he had none to spare.

One day after hearing his father pray for the poor and the hungry, his little son said to him, 'father, I wish I had your corn'. 'What would you do with it?' asked the father. The child replied, 'I would answer your prayers.'

The farmer had compassion for the hungry. He prayed that their needs be supplied. But his compassion was like that of the apostles – a concern without corresponding action. Worse, his compassion thrived on a lie – though he lived in abundance, he said that he had none to spare. It took his son to point out the incongruence between his situation and his prayer.

Jesus wants us to be our brother's or sister's keeper. He says in one occasion, *whatever you did for one of these least brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me*. In the words of Cardinal Collins: *rule number one is towards God, rule number two is towards others and I am number three*.

We are to use our God-given faculties, time and resources to give joy and hope to others. Sadly, we sometimes abuse our gifts to make the life of others more miserable. For example, we often only see the negative traits of others as if we do not have any of our own. Acting thus, we not only make other people suffer untold pains but we also close our relationships with them.

How true is the statement: 'Saying nasty things behind other people's back is an indirect way of praising ourselves'. What a tragic thing to do just to be indirectly praised! 'Whereof one can't say anything good, one must be silent.' That is definitely a much better attitude than to be critical in a destructive way.

Just to avoid saying negative things or to refrain doing bad things is not enough. As disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are to make our compassion flow into action – by praying for and thinking well of others, by encouraging and supportive of their good works/ and by sharing with those who have less from the little that we have.

Let us ask for the grace to have the same kind of compassion that Jesus had: a compassion that give encouragement and support to others in their difficult moments, a compassion that builds better interpersonal relationships, a compassion that leads to action. In short, a compassion that gives joy and life.

Fr. Roselle

Lebanon Relief Effort

An enormous explosion devastated the city of Beirut, Lebanon, on Tuesday, August 4, 2020, in what the local mayor called "a national catastrophe."

The situation in Lebanon is dire. At least 154 people died in the explosion and 5,000 were injured – those numbers are expected to rise over the coming days. The explosion also destroyed vital food stores and left 300,000 people homeless (representing roughly 12 per cent of the city's population). Five hundred hospital beds, as well as important medical supplies needed for the country's COVID-19 response, were also damaged in the blast.

At this time, we ask the faithful to please donate to the Lebanon relief effort, if they are able.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA), a papal agency with extensive on-the-ground networks in Lebanon. CNEWA staff are currently working to send food, water, medical supplies and hygiene products to Beirut. Spiritual and psychological support will also be provided to those who lost everything in a blink of an eye. Later, CNEWA will rebuild housing and help re-establish those who lost their livelihoods in this disaster.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website (click on the "[Donate Now](#)" button at the top of the page): www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Margaret's Parish – *Lebanon Relief Effort – Disaster Relief*

The people of Lebanon – who were already dealing with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and hosting almost one million Syrian refugees – need our assistance. It is at times like these when we are called to respond in a special way to our Christian mission to love our neighbor.

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