



Pastor:
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MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon
 Saturday 10:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 am
 11:30 am
 7:30 pm

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am
 Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 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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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am - 11:30 am & 2:30 - 4:30 pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary	Sandy D'Alessandro
Custodian	Jim Lamers
Choirs	Adele Heins
Saturday 5:00 pm	Adele Heins
Sunday 9:00 am	Diana Swift
Sunday 11:30 am, 7:30 pm	Pauline Brabant
Finance Council	Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome
Floral Decorations	Shelley LeBoeuf
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Rectory Housekeeper	

GROUPS

Catholic Women's League	Sandra Morson	705-527-6375
Contemplative Prayer Group	Teresa Marchildon	705-999-1926
Knights of Columbus	Robert Sykes	705-529-6718
Legion of Mary	Lillian Latanville	
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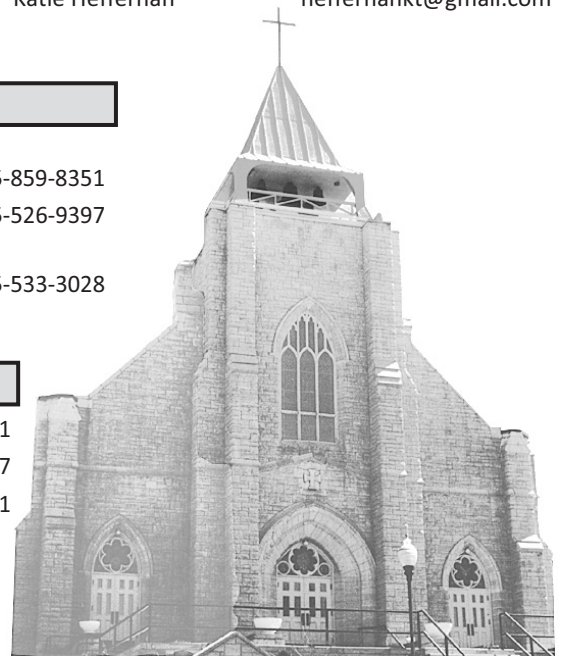
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Children's Liturgy	Katie Heffernan	heffernankt@gmail.com

OTHER SERVICES

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Humanae Vitae Centre (Linda)	905-859-8351	
Catholic Family Services	705-526-9397	
Huronian Right-to-Life		
(Michael Vanden Heuvel)	705-533-3028	

SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School	705-526-2831
Sacred Heart School	705-526-0107
St. Theresa's High School	705-526-1311



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday May 4th

Intentions of Fr. Roselle
Requested by
St. Margaret's Holy Spirit Faith Sharing Group

Wednesday May 5th

+ Valerie Orgill
Requested by Marg Fritz

Thursday May 6th

+ Merl Asselin
Requested by Theresa Lapointe

Friday May 7th

+ Don & Mary Urquart
Requested by the Urquart family

Saturday May 8th

Intentions of Joanna & Edward Soltys
50th Wedding Anniversary April 11, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday May 8th

Intentions of Julie Belanger
Requested by Patti & Pat Belanger

Sunday May 9th

+ Anne Marie Calhoun
Requested by Norm & Rita Beaudry

+ Immacolata D'Alessandro
Requested by St. Margaret's Parish Staff

Please pray for those who have asked for prayers:

Shelley Smith; Anne Marie Radko; Nadine Adams; Josh;
Nicole Marchildon; Louise DeVillers; Liz Gaudet; Elizabeth;
Patricia Willet; Vincenza Beelan;

Please pray for the following recently deceased:

Brian Merkley; Olga Dushney; Sister Maria Consolata Fok;

Masses

All public Masses at St. Margaret's are temporarily cancelled.

Father Roselle celebrates a private Mass daily for the intentions listed in the bulletin, the parishioners of St. Margaret's and for those suffering from Covid-19.

Parishioners are reminded that the dispensation from their Sunday obligation remains.

We encourage parishioners to view online/livestream/televised Masses. Cardinal Collins will continue to celebrate the livestreamed Mass each day from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 7:30 am and a full list of Masses is available at www.archtoronto.org

Parish office

The parish office vestibule will be open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am.

For assistance please call
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Online Bereavement Introductory Program

This Online Bereavement Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for questions and group discussion. The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a virtual group setting. Each candidate will be screened prior, to being considered for admittance into the program. To Register see below
Start: Wednesday May 12th 2021 @ 7pm

Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program

The Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education which assists and accompanies the separated/divorced in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for questions and group discussion. The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a group setting. Each candidate will be screened prior, to being considered for admittance into the program.

Start: Thursday May 13, 2021 @ 7pm

For more information and to register for either the Bereavement or Separated/Divorced program please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE
(416) 921-1163 ext. 2225 alimanni@cfstoronto.com



The Pope's Prayer Intention

For May: The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Reflection for this Sunday

The Vine and The Branches (Jn 15:1-8)

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"I am the vine. You are the branches." These words were spoken by Jesus either at the Last Supper, or, while He was on His way to Gethsemane. In either case, He spoke them shortly before His death on the Cross.

The words convey a deep meaning of closeness and intimacy. The words were meant to express the closeness that Jesus felt with His disciples and the closeness He wished in return. He wishes the same for you and for me.

The vine supplies the nutrients and support of the entire plant. The branches bear the fruit. However, they are dependant on one another. If the branches fail to receive nutrients, they wither and die. The vine cannot produce fruit by itself, it needs the branches. With this beautiful image, given just before He was to die, Jesus was telling His disciples to stay close to Him. He says to them quite clearly, *"apart from Me you can do nothing."* The context here is doing something that is pleasing to God.

Many of us have wonderful intentions and truly want to do things that will give glory to the Father. However, often this is done without prayer, without asking the Lord what we should do. If we run off and do something that pleases us and that we think is doing God's work, it may bear secular fruit but it's unlikely to bear the kind of fruit Jesus had in mind. When we do something that is the will of the Lord, much fruit can be expected – repentance and deep conversions of heart. So, why don't people ask the Lord for direction first? Many feel they won't get an answer. But they are unfamiliar with how the Lord often speaks to His people.

It's not likely you'll hear a voice from heaven, giving you clear direction. You may not see a hand writing the message for you on a wall. But discernment, knowing what is God's will, often comes in ways you may not expect. It may come in something a friend says to you, a sudden inspirational thought, a song you hear or something you see on television. The key to being able to hear and to see what it is God wants you to do is to live a life of prayer. That does not mean you

spend all day in prayer. It does mean you should devote a portion of your day, every day, to pray. That portion will vary according to your situation. A busy Mom may only have 15 minutes or so just after the kids go to school. A retired man may have an hour or so. It is important that you devote whatever time you have for prayer and give it to the Lord. If you aren't praying daily, you will eventually end up spiritually deaf and blind.

How should you pray? We Catholics have all kinds of prayers we can go to. There is the Rosary, where we can ask for our Mother Mary's intercession. There is the Bible, especially the New Testament, which is not nearly as difficult to understand as you might think. There are devotions to various saints and Novenas as well. It is unimportant which of these you choose. What is important is that you select one or more methods and faithfully stick to them every day. Circumstances may have you miss a day here and there. The Lord knows that. Don't worry about the days you miss, just pick up where you left off and start again. Then you will, as the Lord says in the Gospel, abide in Him. That means you will be with Him and remain with Him.

One thing you can almost be certain of in your walk with the Lord. You can expect to be pruned. You may have already been pruned and not realized who was allowing the pruning. Anyone that has ever had a fruit tree knows that pruning is essential in order for the tree to bear fruit. We need pruning sometimes as well, spiritual pruning. The Lord will allow testing in our life to strengthen us and bring us back to reality. He may do this to help us rid ourselves of habits or actions that detract from our spiritual life and keep us distant from Him. We may end up starting to think that whatever is being accomplished is coming from us and our own efforts. It says in the letter to the Hebrews, *"For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves"* (Heb 12:6) and *"he disciplines us for our good."* (Heb 12:10) The letter further states that when we are disciplined by the Lord, it's because He considers us sons and daughters.

Jesus is the Vine; we are the branches. Without Him, none of our efforts can produce the kind of fruit that He desires. So, if you are being pruned, Praise the Lord. He is working to bring you closer to Him. He is treating you as His son or daughter. He is doing it out of love for you. He is doing it so you can be fruitful for the kingdom. It is just one way that Jesus says, I love you.

Deacon Tony Ruta P.D.

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