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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

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:30 am

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm

Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

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OFFICE HOURS

Tues-Fri. 9:30 am -4:00pm

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

Juanita Wootton-Radko

Custodian

Jim Lamers

Choirs Saturday 5:00 pm

Adele Heins

Sunday 9:00 am

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Sunday 11:30 am

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Marian Prayer Group

Lillian Latanville

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OTHER SERVICES

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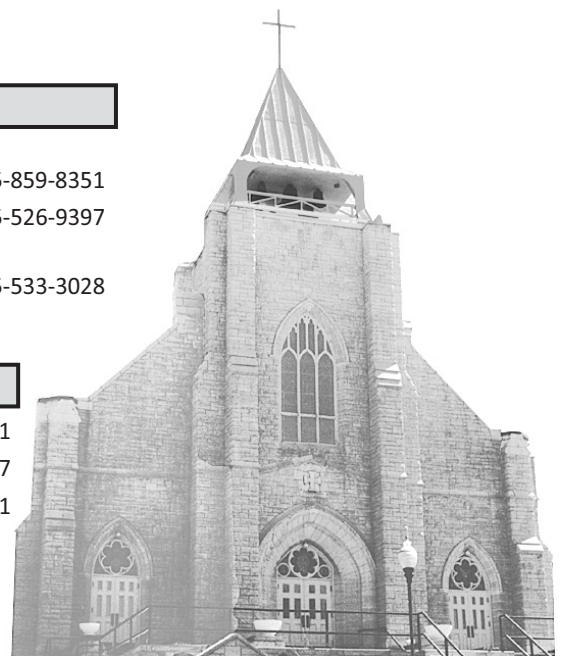
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Praying as Seeking God's Kingdom

The Advent Season is now upon us. Most people around us seem to be hurrying about looking for the perfect gift, putting up decorations, and planning for parties and dinners. It is easy to lose sight of the true significance of the Season. Advent is a time of joy and hope, of preparation and of waiting patiently for the coming of our Lord Jesus. It is not only about the past, but also very much about the present and of the future.

One good way to prepare ourselves for the birth of Christ is to examine our prayer life. In the Gospels, Jesus told his disciples about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary (Luke 18: 1-8). We may wonder why a God who loves us apparently would ignore our prayer to the point of seeming like an indifferent judge whom we must consistently pester to get a hearing. Perhaps our own experience of prayer, heartfelt prayer, has raised such questions in our minds.

More than likely, our deafness is more often to blame than is God's silence. We are distracted, worried, and often not recollected, so we can miss his sometimes subtle communications. His presence often is in the quiet breeze (1 Kings 19:12). It's also possible that Our Lord wants to achieve something in us by having us wait for his reply.

When we must wait on the Lord, we have an opportunity to grow in a variety of ways. We can grow in patience, learning that God's timing is not ours. We can grow in humility, realizing that God is in charge and that we are not. We can grow in our desire for that for which we ask. Additionally, we can grow in our confidence in God, realizing that whether we receive the requested favor or not, God knows best and only desires our good. Consequently, we are more at peace and willing to face all things, confident in his providential care.

Perhaps the most important lesson we learn by waiting on God's response to our prayer is to desire God above all things. Someone who is fully satisfied and content feels no need for help or change—no

Tuesday November 29

9:30 Elementary School Mass

12:05 +Capt. William Lavigne
Requested by Bill Lavigne

Wednesday November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

12:05 +Eddie, Anne, Rob, Robert & Rita
Desroches
Requested by Pauline, Paula, Michelle and families

Thursday December 1

12:05 + Yvette Asselin
Edgar & Cecile Lesperance

Friday December 2

St. Charles Borromeo

11am – **Holy Hour**
12:05 noon +Peter Lamers
Requested by the Lamers Family

Saturday December 3

10 am + Gail and Robert LeClair

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass – Saturday December 3

5 pm Intentions of the Life in the Spirit Group
Requested by Life in the Spirit

Sunday – December 4

9am Mass for the People
11:30 am + Therese Burt
Requested by Christopher Burt and family



Sanctuary Lamp

November 27-December 3
This week the lamp burns in memory of
John Bourgeois

need for God. However, when we come face-to-face with a real need and acknowledge our insufficiency, we turn to God. We sometimes complain, "Why me?" Then we muster all the faith we have and ask, "Please Lord, give this to me."

Gradually, slowly, through frequent prayer, we begin to realize that while our practical need has not been met, God is present, and that he is sufficient. If we continue to persevere in prayer, we begin to desire God above all, regardless of our concrete circumstances. This is "seeking first the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 6:33).

Grace and Peace,
Fr. R C R A



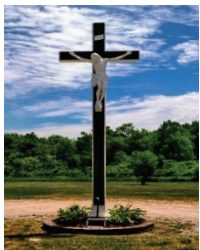
Let's Sing Together Again!
Fundraising Concert and Tea

Join us for songs of the season led by Adele Heins and enjoy tea and desserts in the parish hall.

A free will offering will be taken to defray the cost of new hymnals.

December 18th

2 pm Parish Hall



Cemetery Winter Hours

The Cemetery office will be open Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 3:30 pm and closed on Fridays. Please call 705-526-6313 ext. 4 to book an appointment.

Our Cemetery Coordinator, Rose Ladouceur is happy to assist you with monument and plot purchases through the winter before the 2023 rates come into effect January 1st.



The Pope's Prayer Intention for December

For Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

Vocational Training

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

21st Annual Friars' Student Writing Contest 2023

Theme: "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17).

High School Students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2023 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Contact ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 (ext. 527) for more information or questions.

Contest closing date: January 16, 2023 at 2 PM



Please remember the following people in your prayers:
Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude;
Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; John Jerome

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