

Communion for the Sick

If you know someone who would like to receive Communion at their home, there are two options: 1) you can contact the office to arrange for a volunteer to bring them Communion, or 2) you can bring them Communion. To bring Communion yourself, go to the sacristy before Mass, where you will find a tray, pyxes, unconsecrated hosts, and blue Communion of the Sick books. Place enough unconsecrated hosts for a single visit in a pyx and place it on the tray. Each pyx has a small, coloured sticker on it to distinguish between them. At the end of Mass (after the end announcements and before the final blessing), Fr. Eric will bring down the tray with the pyxes; please take your pyx and bring it directly to the person who will be receiving Communion. You do not need to wait until the dismissal at the very end of Mass.

We are in need of more volunteers to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact the office.

Archbishop Leo invites you to join ShareLife's fight against hunger

"It is heart-wrenching and unacceptable that anyone today lacks access to food which is a most basic human right," shares Archbishop Francis Leo. "Our parishioners are taking action in response to the Lord's call to feed the hungry. Since the earliest days of the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the faithful have cared for those in need, on the margins of society and we continue this life-giving legacy."

Please support the fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for reaching out with the hands of Christ to feed the hungry.

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Mass Times	Office Hours
Monday 7:00 pm (St. James)	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 2:00 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday 9:30 am (St. Francis)	Email: stjamesco@archtoronto.org
Wednesday 9:30 am (St. Francis)	Phone: 905-936-4266
Friday 7:00 pm (St. James)	Website: www.stjamesco.archtoronto.org
Saturday 10:30 am & 5:30 pm (St. James)	Email the office if you would like a digital copy of the bulletin
Sunday 8:30 am (St. Mary's) & 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (St. Francis)	Sign up at the office for the code to St Francis Xavier for access to Adoration
	Confessions: Saturday 4:30 pm—5:15 pm at St. James Parish Priest: Fr. Eric Mah

Weekly Mass Intentions	
Monday, October 2 at 7:00 pm	For the intentions of Savio Buompastore
Tuesday, October 3 at 9:30 am	Birthday blessings for Hannah Shoemaker
Wednesday, October 4 at 9:30 am	For the people of God and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	Antonio Verissimo +
	Oreste Luccitti +
	For the intentions of Ed and Margaret Heffernan
Friday, October 6 at 7:00 pm	For a special intention
	Available for Mass intention—contact the Church office
	For the people of God and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	Anita Colagiacomo +
	Dorothy Kehoe +
	Frank Haley + and Sister Kathleen Haley +
	Carla Suppa +
Philip Pras +	
Saturday, October 7 at 10:30 am	Antonio Verissimo +
	Available for Mass intention—contact the Church office
	Ken Gannon +
Saturday, October 7 at 5:30 pm	Ron Picco +
Sunday, October 8 at 8:30 am	John Hutterer +
Sunday, October 8 at 10:00 am	For the people of God
Sunday, October 8 at 11:30 am	For the people of God



If you have envelope numbers 286 or 308 please contact the office to supply contact details, including phone number and mailing address (for tax receipt purposes).

Praying for the Sick

If you or a family member is sick, please let the office know and we will add their name to the prayers of the faithful.

Please pray especially for Tom Kennelly, Caitlyn Gannon, Elena and Christina Burke, Vijey Anthony, Steven Di Grazia, Vince Ibrahim's father, and Imelda Zeagman.

We remember in prayer those who have passed away recently, including Theresa Rait, Bobbie Lynn Sheardown, Collen and Frank Feheley, and Natasha Szorady-Smith.

Catholic Women's League

The CWL will be hosting a "Share The Wealth Raffle" and bake sale in December. More details to follow in the upcoming weeks. Thank you for generously supporting our CWL.

It is election time for our CWL. If you are interested in becoming an Executive Member, please speak to one of our CWL members or contact the church office for information.



September 30/October 1, 2023 Special Collection - Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation



As part of our ongoing efforts towards healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. The Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. To date, the fund has raised close to 40 percent of the \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops. The archdiocese will contribute \$6 million towards the national pledge. The collection on September 30/October 1 provides an opportunity for the faithful to contribute to this important initiative. For more information or to donate online please visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation - thank you for your generosity!

First Friday Adoration

Next Friday, October 6th is the First Friday so there will be Adoration following the 7 pm Mass.

First Communion and Confirmation

Registration for First Communion and Confirmation will open on Tuesday, October 3rd. Please find the registration packages on our website, or you can contact the Church office. Next weekend, the packages will be available at the back of each of the Churches. Please fill out and return the package, with your child's baptism certificate and the registration fee, to the office. If you have any questions, please check the Frequently Asked Questions portion of the package; further questions can be directed to the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul

There will be a 2nd collection for the St. Vincent de Paul next weekend. You can make a difference and help our neighbours in need by donating to our society at St. James. Donations can be made in cash using envelopes at the back of the Churches, or by going online at www.ssvp.ca. Please follow the prompts to direct the donation to the St. James Conference in Tottenham. Donations of \$20 or more will be given a tax receipt. Your donation will go towards temporary assistance for those in crisis situations.

Should you or someone you know need our support, please leave a voicemail at 905-936-4266 ext. 5. The phone line is confidential and your call will be returned within two days.



Life Chain

Please join us on Sunday, October 1st for the annual Life Chain. We will be meeting in front of the Tottenham mall (55 Queen St. S) from 2 to 3 pm. We will be standing in silent prayer. Signs will be available. Please help in this most worthy human rights cause supporting life from conception to natural death.

World Missions Sunday

World Missions Sunday, which will be on October 22nd, joins all Catholics of the world in one family of faith. We commit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism to be missionaries, through prayer, and participation in the Eucharist.

The theme for the 97th World Mission Day is "Hearts on fire, feet on the move" (cf: Lk 24:13-35) inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus. With hearts on fire "while he opened the scriptures to us," the Word of God enlightens and transforms the heart with the mission.

In today's Gospel, Jesus invites us work in the Lord's vineyard. This World Mission Sunday, we invited to ponder how God is calling us to share the Good News to fulfill the Great Commission.

- Fr. Alex Osei, C.S.Sp. and Fr. Alexander Kabera

Humanitarian aid for 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 – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: "St. James Parish – Morocco Earthquake - Humanitarian Relief"

Humanitarian aid for Libya

Currently, our Catholic partners are not present in Libya to coordinate relief efforts and as such we are unable to accept donations to aid those affected by the flooding at this time. For those wishing to offer support to the people of Libya, please consider a gift through the Canadian Red Cross in the following ways:

- Online through the Red Cross website – www.redcross.ca
- By phone through the Red Cross – 1-800-418-1111

Please continue to pray for those who have died, for those who are missing or displaced because of these tragic disasters in both Morocco and Libya and for all who are working hard to provide relief and rescue in both locations.