

# 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASS INTENTIONS

*In light of public Mass cancellations in the Cathedral, our priests will celebrate private daily Masses for the intentions of our parishioners including those previously offered.*

### Monday, February 15: Family Day

Priest's Intention

### Tuesday, February 16

Orestes & Consuelo Gutierrez (D)

Cesar Barokaa (D)

James Hoy (D)

Jovita Rodas Zimmerman (D)

P. J. Manabat Abaigar (D)

Kumar Cherubim (I)

### Wednesday, February 17: Ash Wednesday

For the repose of the souls of those laid to rest in our Catholic Cemeteries

### Thursday, February 18

Shelwyn Warusevitane (D)

Holy souls in purgatory (D)

### Friday, February 19

John Currie (D)

Deceased members of the Aligato Del Rosario Family

Aligato Del Rosario Family (I)

### Saturday, February 20

Josefina Guerrero (D)

Marjorie Pierre (D)

Eleonora Garcia (D)

Miriam Pineda (I)

Rene Atienza (I)

## MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS

<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>
Francisco Jr & Adoracion Romero (D)	Leann Perpetua McIntyre (I)
	Francisco Jr & Adoracion Romero (D)
	Lidya, Andi & Family (I)

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2021

Please be advised that the 2021 offertory envelopes will not be distributed at the Cathedral, but will be available for pick up from the Parish Office located at 200 Church St., Toronto, ON during the office hours.

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Ashes will be distributed on Ash Wednesday (**February 17**) at the Cathedral from **9:00 AM – 9:00 PM**. Registration through [Eventbrite](#) is required.

## 2020 TAX RECEIPTS

Thank you to our parishioners and visitors for their support and generosity over the last year. Tax receipts for 2020 have been emailed to those donors whose email addresses were on file with us.

Paper receipts were mailed on **Wednesday, February 10** to only those without an email address in our database.

## MESSAGE FROM OUR RECTOR

Cardinal Collins has recently appointed me to take over Bishop Camilleri's role as Chancellor of Spiritual Affairs, Vicar General of the archdiocese and Moderator of the Curia. I sincerely hoped that I would be at the Cathedral for longer; however, as priests, we go where we are most needed and I am humbled by the trust that His Eminence has put into my abilities. St. Michael's is a vibrant community and I will truly miss seeing many of your faces, especially once we are out of this pandemic. Rest assured, you will remain in my prayers. Please remember me in your prayers as I take on my new duties. The new Rector of St. Michael's, Father Frank Portelli has begun his ministry, effective February 1<sup>st</sup>. Please pray for him during this time of transition. – Fr. Edward J. Curtis.

## MARRIAGE SUNDAY

**FEB. 13/14, 2021**

Cardinal Collins has designated the weekend of **February 13/14, 2021** as Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto. To celebrate the tremendous contributions of married couples who continue to strengthen our faith community, our parish is participating in a program to offer a personalized, special blessing certificate signed by Cardinal Thomas Collins to married couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2021.

# FEBRUARY 14, 2021

## COMMUNION SERVICES

The pandemic lockdown for the City of Toronto has been extended until at least Thursday, February 11, 2021. Religious services remain very limited, with no more than 10 people allowed in the church and public Masses are cancelled during this time.

Parishioners, we would like to inform you that we continue to be open for private prayer during this period of lockdown and those who wish to receive Holy Communion may do so during the following hours:

- **Saturdays – from 3PM to 6PM**
- **Sundays – from 9AM to 1PM**

Please note the following information:

- Each Communion Service is limited to **8** people (plus Priest and staff member).
- Registration is required. Registration through [Eventbrite](#) is required and will be available every **Monday starting 9:00 AM** for the following weekend.
- Due to the limited time and frequency of Communion Services, parishioners will be required to leave the Cathedral directly following the concluding prayer.
- Adherence to all Covid-19 protocols is mandatory, including wearing a mask, maintaining physical distancing and sanitizing your hands.

## REFLECTING ON THE MEANING OF STEWARDSHIP IN TODAY'S READINGS

“You are a billboard for Christ.” These are the words of popular Catholic speaker Father Mike Schmitz. He’s trying to convey that if we are disciples of Christ, everything we do is a representation of Him. This beautiful reality is combined with a heavy responsibility. We must regularly ask ourselves, are we faithfully reflecting the love and goodness of Christ in our lives? In today’s second reading St. Paul says that “whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” As stewards, every facet of our lives should be done to try to glorify God. This does not mean that we must always be in the chapel or being performing extraordinary works of charity. Rather, it means that we must infuse the ordinary events of our life with the powerful love of Christ. One aspect that we can sanctify is our daily work. We should strive to realize that our work can be

the sacrifice that we offer up to God. In realizing that we are working for God, we ourselves will be sanctified. We will slowly realize that everything we do is for Him, spurring us onto greater virtue. This will ultimately lead us to sanctify others for they will see the glory of God in our simple witness. Therefore, let us strive to intentionally say a prayer every morning asking God to help us glorify Him through our daily tasks.

## POPE FRANCIS PROCLAIMS “YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH”

His Holiness Pope Francis has proclaimed the “Year of Saint Joseph”, from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021 to mark the occasion of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

In his recent Apostolic Letter “Patris corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis describes St. Joseph as a loving, obedient, accepting and courageous father. He encourages us to seek him as “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” and invites us to pray:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

To read the Holy Father’s Apostolic letter, visit <http://www.vatican.va/>.