4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

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, April 26

Rosalina Zambrano (D) Gloria Tansingco (D) Michael Leishman Gauthier (D) Ferdinand Gonzalez (I) Selina Chan Yan Fong (I) Vee Chow Lam Tze Ting (I)

Tuesday, April 27

Arthur Edward Pierce (D) Ronald Jacinto (D) McDermott Family (I)

Wednesday, April 28

Joseph Duffin (D) Stephen Duffin (D)

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

Thursday, April 29: St. Catherine of Siena

Priest's Intention

Friday, April 30: St. Marie de L'Incarnation

Priest's Intention

Saturday, May 1

Johnny Torres Rubinas (D) Robert Pinga (D)

MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS

Sacred Heart	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>
Ram Persaud (D)	Malcolm Francis Mackinnon (D)
Joy Dandal (I)	Lidya, Andi & Family (I)
Joseph & Fernanda Vieira (I)	Ottavio Marotta (D)

COMMUNION SERVICES

The pandemic lockdown for the City of Toronto has been extended until at least Thursday, May 20, 2021. At this time all public Masses are cancelled. The Cathedral remains open for private prayer to a maximum of 10 at a time, Monday to Friday (9:00 AM to 6:00 PM) and Saturday (9:00 AM to 2:00 PM).

Holy Communion Services are offered as follows:

- Saturdays from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
- Sundays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Please note the following information:

- Each Communion Service is limited to **8** people (plus Priest and staff member).
- Registration through <u>Eventbrite</u> is required and will be available every <u>Monday starting 9:00</u>
 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.

LECTIO DIVINA

Please join Cardinal Collins in the Cathedral on **Sunday, May 2** as he leads us in prayer and reflection on *A Canticle of Triumph Through Sorrow* (Tobit 13:1-8)

Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 7 PM, and Lectio Divina from 7:30 to 8:15 PM.
Lectio Divina is also livestreamed via our website:
www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live

REFLECTING ON THE MEANING OF STEWARDSHIP IN TODAY'S READINGS

This Sunday we are invited to reflect on the image of Jesus the Good Shepherd. Jesus shepherds us, His flock, by protecting us from any ravaging dangers, helping us stay in the fold and seeking us when we're lost. We as sheep must listen to and obey His voice. There is a familiarity and closeness between a shepherd and his sheep, and so too, there is an intimacy between Jesus and us. As stewards, we are called to imitate Jesus in all ways, including His role as shepherd. We all have people in our lives we are called to look out for, whether it be our families, friends or fellow parishioners. The most important step in effectively shepherding others is to first become a holy sheep in Jesus' flock. We must seek to grow in prayer and virtue, and through that flows the grace to journey with others heavenward. Within this call for all of us to be shepherds. God gives a special grace to particular men to more closely imitate the Good Shepherd through the vocation of priesthood. In regards to vocations, lesus gives us only one instruction: "to pray to the Lord of the harvest, that He may send more labourers" (Matthew 9:38). Therefore, all of us have a role to play in fostering vocations. God continues to call priests, and through our prayers we can help young men answer the call. One great practice we can adopt is praying one Hail Mary every day for an increase in vocations.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY: THE JOY AND CHALLENGE OF PREACHING BY FR. JOSHUA J. WHITFIELD

Friday, June 4 from 8AM to 3PM

A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

We are delighted to present "The Joy and Challenge of Preaching" by Fr. Joshua J. Whitfield, author of The Crisis of Bad Preaching.

Opening address by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, at 8:30AM.

Everyone is welcome! We encourage the participation of lay preachers and anyone interested in this primary apostolate.

The webinar includes three conferences, materials, and access to a recording.

Join us virtually: Zoom link will be shared after registration.

REGISTER: www.staugustines.on.ca/about/events **COST**: Early bird special price of \$30 ends March 31. \$40 per person after

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL AUDITIONS

The Formation of Boys into Men for Others Bis Orat Qui Cantat - He Who Sings Prays Twice

Since 1937, St. Michael's Choir School (SMCS) has nurtured creativity and academic excellence through the study of music in a unique faith-based environment.

Located in downtown Toronto, SMCS is a full-curriculum school of 250 boys from grades 3-12 that provides sacred music for St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. SMCS is devoted to helping your son realize his full academic, musical and spiritual potential. Our academic and music program results in the formation of well-rounded young men of character and faith.

Visit our website (smcs.on.ca) to learn more about SMCS and find us on Spotify, AppleMusic, GooglePlay and other music subscription services to hear our choirs.

We are excited about our 2021 auditions and we hope that your son will join us!

Contact 647-613-6367 or <u>admissions@smcs.on.ca</u> for information about booking your son's virtual audition.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES OF TORONTO'S ONLINE COUNSELLING SESSIONS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. Single-session counselling is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: info@cfstoronto.com or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave us a message with your name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you.

Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs.

Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of their inability to pay fees.