

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 20

- 7:30 AM Pearl Zachanko (D)
 12:10 PM Michael Nwankwo Chukwuemeka (D)
 Simeon Bontogon (D)
 Jerome Gbemudu (D)
 Anita Galang Rodriguez (D)
 Teresita Barrientos (I)
 5:30 PM Mary Hoa (D)

Tuesday, September 21

- 7:30 AM Ted Semeniuk (D)
 12:10 PM Melquiades Garcia (D)
 O & Kim Family (D)
 Bruce Yakimec (D)
 Doug Semeniuk (D)
 Abelardo Santa Rita (D)
 5:30 PM Joseph Bui (D)

Wednesday, September 22

- 7:30 AM Abraham & Rosalia Romero (D)
 12:10 PM Francisca Y. Tandingan (D)
 Theresammah Vethanayagam (D)
 Lourdes Marquez (I)
 Zenaida Pamintuan Santos (I)
 For the repose of the souls of those
 laid to rest in our Catholic Cemeteries
 5:30 PM Joseph Dat (D)

Thursday, September 23

- 7:30 AM Elsie Leung (I)
 12:10 PM Candelario Cleope Sr. (D)
 Jennifer Mary O (D)
 Michael Farnum (D)
 Eva & Helena Sutakova (D)
 Aldous & Michelle Silva (I)
 5:30 PM Dave Murphy (D)

Friday, September 24

- 7:30 AM Maria & Fernando Dias (D)
 12:10 PM Gerard F. Ramos (D)
 Mercidita Pangilinan De Lion (D)
 Hanz G. Abromeit (D)
 Felix & Teresa Katigbak (D)
 Nicole Fernandez (I)
 5:30 PM Gerard F. Ramos (D)

Saturday, September 25

- 7:30 AM Bernadette Yuen (D)
 12:10 PM George Knapp (D)
 Nora Ernestina Pilleren (D)
 Sancha B. Cleope (D)
 Estrella Pajarillo (D)
 John O & Sean (D)

MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS SEPTEMBER

<u>Sacred Heart</u>	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>
Bangalan Family (I)	Erly Escueta (I)
Micheala & Daniel Kundakci (I)	Lie & Leong Family (D)
Melquiades Garcia (D)	Rev. Favin Alemão (I)

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel by supporting residents of long-term care

The Houses of Providence in Scarborough is a ShareLife-funded agency that provides long-term care for seniors.

“It’s been hard during COVID-19,” says Mary, one of its residents, “but we understand the precautions that staff are taking. Providence staff have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job. I thank them every time I see them for their hard work.”

Did you know that you can contribute to ShareLife agencies like the Houses of Providence through Pre-Authorized Giving? Please consider making a monthly contribution to ShareLife using PAG.

October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at www.sharelife.org.

LECTIO DIVINA

After 20 years of leading monthly Lectio Divina evenings from September through June (during his time in both Edmonton and Toronto), Cardinal Collins will not be moving forward with a new season this fall. We express our appreciation to His Eminence for his commitment and dedication in leading Lectio Divina over the past two decades as this prayerful meditation has been a tremendous support for parishioners throughout the archdiocese and beyond.

We also extend our gratitude to the staff of St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica and Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation for their faithful assistance in supporting Lectio Divina over so many years.

Archived recordings of Lectio Divina along with relevant resources remain available at: (<https://bit.ly/LectioArchive>) to access anytime.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF NATURAL DISASTERS IN HAITI

The Archdiocese of Toronto has opened a humanitarian relief fund to assist Haiti, which in recent days has been stricken by a 7.2 magnitude earthquake and a tropical storm.

At least 1,900 people are dead, 9,000 are injured and 30,000 are homeless after a strong earthquake devastated the country on Saturday, August 14, 2021. Many people with habitable houses were sleeping outside due to fear of aftershocks causing more damage. Then on Monday evening, Tropical Storm Grace dumped more than 30 cm of rainfall onto Haiti's coastal areas, resulting in floods and mudslides.

Haiti it is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere and is unable to adequately respond to these natural disasters without international assistance. The country was already responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, worsening gang violence and a presidential assassination on July 7, 2021.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations through Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of Catholic humanitarian organizations with a long history of disaster relief. Caritas is already on the ground assisting Haitians, as it has been when other disasters have struck that country. Donations to Caritas will be used for food, water, shelter, clothing and medical supplies.

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 - please use the Humanitarian Aid envelopes available at the back of the church so we can direct the funds to this cause.

Please continue to pray for the people of Haiti and all those who suffer after natural disasters. Thank you for your continued assistance.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

We invite you to read Cardinal Thomas Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, which is available in print after today's Mass.

Cardinal Collins' pastoral letter, "Stewardship", is both a reflective guide and an urgent exhortation for Catholics to be aware of God's gracious gifts and to live fully, gratefully, in service to others through sharing of time, talent, and treasure. He begins by unpacking the meaning of stewardship in Christian life. In this section, he offers the context for stewardship: the acknowledgment that we have received everything from God, and are "asked to make good use of what has been entrusted to us." We are called to live as stewards with "creativity and boldness" and to regularly examine how we use the gifts that we have been given.

The second section of the letter defines the spirituality of deep stewardship. A "proper spirit of gratitude for all that we have received from God" and the resolve "to act as responsible trustees of God's gifts" characterize deep stewardship. It involves a profound conversion, both as individuals, and as a community, to give generously of our time, talent, and treasure, and to be totally, joyfully engaged in discipleship in our parishes and communities.

Cardinal Collins goes on to identify seven reasons why deepening the spirit of stewardship would be valuable for the Archdiocese of Toronto. He notes that stewardship is: 1) clearly a central theme in Scripture; 2) undeniably fruitful; 3) realistic; 4) not a new program, but is continuous and permanent; 5) addresses the engagement dilemma; 6) comprehensive, and enhances already existing activity; and 7) proactive.

Finally, Cardinal Collins maps out for us the way forward. His first point, importantly, is that the spirit of stewardship is already present in parishes. With guidance from the Pastoral Plan, the way forward includes increasing awareness of stewardship as a conscious, active engagement in parish life and outreach, a fuller engagement with the whole life of faith, and a greater ability for each Catholic to live as disciples in the world. The way forward is nurtured by the sacramental life and results in growth in gratitude and a deepening life of service and witness. Stewardship, concludes the letter, "means a change of heart for each of us, an 'attitude of gratitude' that permeates our whole life as disciples."