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4th Sunday of Lent: March 10, 2024



Saturday, March 9 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 10 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioner of St. Ann*

Sunday, March 10 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – All are welcome*

Sunday, March 10 at 6 p.m. Mass

Monday, March 11 at 8 a.m. Mass
Aristotle Galicia – +

Tuesday, March 12 at 8 a.m. Mass
Alejandro Ignacio – +

Wednesday, March 13 at 8 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 14 at 8 a.m. Mass

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 Station of the Cross,
07 p.m. Mass

Saturday, March 16 at 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 17 at 10.30 a.m. Mass *for the Parishioners of St. Ann*

Sunday, March 17 at 12.30 p.m. *Native People's Mass – All are welcome*

Sunday, March 17 at 6 p.m. Mass

4th Sunday of Lent

Reflection

Spreading the Gospel can be difficult in our increasingly secular society. As stewards who are called to receive our gifts from God and put them at the service of the Church, this challenge can

sometimes seem daunting. We may be tempted to think that today's society is just too far gone to accept Jesus. We may even see this within our own circle of friends and family members. However, this resistance from society is nothing new and nothing to fear.

In today's first reading from 2 Chronicles, we hear how God sent many people on His behalf to spread His word "but [the people] kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words, and scoffing at his prophets." Even in the Old Testament, those who sought to serve God faced hardships and

retaliation. Therefore, as stewards, we should not expect everything in our ministry to be perfect or easy.

Jesus says in the Gospel of Matthew that whoever wants to follow Him must take up their cross and follow. To take up the cross is to take up suffering and hardships for the sake of serving Christ. As stewards, let us not shy away from these crosses but accept them willingly. The cross will forever be the symbol of our hope and salvation. To take part in the cross of Christ by carrying our own crosses is a supreme dignity. Therefore, the next time we face a difficulty in our stewardship, let us simply pray "Lord, help me to carry this cross out of love for you."

Summary

In the first reading from 2 Chronicles we hear about how God's messengers were persecuted and despised for listening to God. As stewards, we will often also face difficulties in our ministry which is a share in the cross of Christ. To suffer for Christ is a great dignity so the next time encounter sufferings in our stewardship, let us simply pray "Lord, help me to carry this cross out of love for you."

-Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Archdiocese of Toronto



Offertory Collection

Weekend of **March 2/3**

Envelopes (67) \$ 1829.80

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Show love through Sharelife

Sharelife Sunday is March 17th. Our parish goal is \$5400.00. Through your kindness, over 40 catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. No one is turned away due to inability to pay. This is all possible through your support. Last year, St. Ann Food bank was one of the beneficiaries as well.

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online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Make a sacrificing contribution through this season of lent for this worthy cause.

Pope's Prayer Intention 2024

The Pope's prayer intention for 2024 addresses challenges facing humanity and assists the mission of the church. In **March**, let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive. – **Pope Francis**

Annual Mass of St Patrick

The annual Mass of St. Patrick at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 16 at 10 a.m. His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome. Those unable to attend can participate in the celebration via livestream at www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.

Fraudulent e-mail and Social media Communication - Warning

In recent days, a Facebook account and e-mail communication claiming to come from Archbishop Leo have been circulating through the Catholic community. Archbishop Leo does not have a Facebook account and any official e-mail correspondence should come from an archtoronto.org e-mail address. If you receive fraudulent correspondence, please delete the content from your inbox.

Sadly, we have seen this type of fraudulent activity target priests and bishops on a regular basis. Please review the e-mail address on your correspondence and be mindful of these impersonation accounts.

Annual Manresa Weekend Retreat for Men

Theme: To be like Mary – Immerse in God's Divine Life "To live as a Christian in the world while at the same time living with God's vision for oneself and his Creation." In this retreat, we try to listen to God speaking to us through the Scriptures, the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola and the lives of the saints. Friday, March 15 - Sunday, March 17, 2024, at Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, Ontario L1X 1V4 (at top of Liverpool Rd., N. of Finch) **Facilitator: Fr. John Sullivan, S.J.** For more information contact Manresa: 905-839-

2864. To register: <https://manresa-canada.ca/events/>

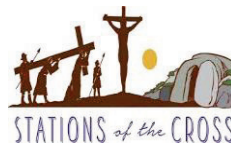
Jesus Youth Prayer Meeting



We are glad to invite you for our March prayer meeting happening tonight March 10th at 7 p.m. in the church basement after the 6 p.m. mass. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross

On Fridays during the season of Lent, we will have the station of the cross at 6:30 p.m. followed by Holy Eucharist at 7 p.m.



Holy Week Schedule



Lenten Confession

St. Ann Parish

March 22, 6 – 6:30 p.m.

March 23, 4 – 4:45 p.m.

March 24, 5:30 – 6 p.m.

St. Joseph Parish

March 20, 6 p.m.

Holy Name Parish

March 21, 7 – 8 p.m.

Holy Thursday

8 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday

3 pm Solemn Liturgy of the Word

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil

8 pm Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday

10:30 am Mass

12:30 pm Mass

6 pm **No mass**

Special Collection

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