

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The prophet Isaiah shares with us a vision of people of “all nations and tongues” coming to the Lord. Jesus also speaks of people coming from “east and west, from north and south” to feast in God’s kingdom. Paradoxically, though, Jesus first speaks about “the narrow door”. How can the way to God be both narrow and wide?

Perhaps it is narrow in the sense that we cannot merit it through some special status, like race, religion or class. We cannot earn it by performing correct rituals, saying the right prayers, or simply following the rules. If we rely on our own merit or status, the way to God seems impossibly narrow. We don’t merit or earn God’s love, mercy and grace: they are freely given. Our call is to receive and respond.

Luke’s Gospel shows us many unlikely people who are God’s chosen, God’s beloved: the young Mary, her cousin Elizabeth, the shepherds, fishermen, the woman who anointed Jesus’ feet, the Samaritan leper, Zacchaeus the tax collector. God’s love is widely available, and those who know they have received this gift want to live it and share it with others. This is our call as disciples; this is what we celebrate in the Eucharist. As God’s beloved, we trust that salvation is in loving God and one another.

THE ANNUAL EDUCATION MASS RETURNS TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

On *Wednesday, August 31*, the Catholic Teachers’ Guild will host its Annual Education Mass at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica. The Mass will be followed by dinner and a talk given by Bishop John Boissonneau, the Archdiocesan Vicar for Christian Education, across the street at St. Michael’s Choir School.

The Catholic Teachers’ Guild is a lay association in the archdiocese that aims to strengthen teachers’ vocations through formation events, study groups, lectures and mutual fraternal support.

This will be the first Education Mass and dinner in two years, because of the difficulties caused by the pandemic. The cost of the evening is \$60, payable at the door, but participants are asked to register at via the archdiocese website before Wednesday, August 24th.

The evening will be a great opportunity to worship with other committed Catholic teachers, to build networks and relationships with other educators, and to enjoy a wonderful meal. All educators are welcome to attend.



We pray to our Blessed Mother Mary for all our parishioners, friends, and family suffering with illnesses.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Theresa Burns, Sonja Schryer, Noemy Pereira, Clint Viegas, Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston, Avio Carboni, Raphael Colaco, Dana McGrath, Roman Joe Zakrajse, Enzo, Domenica, Teresa Pirrello, Margaret Speciale, Karen Radecky, Joe Simardone, Margaret Ramjattan, Sophie Coleman, Rosa Natale, Christina Vitale, Walter Ryan

PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED SOULS

May the souls of the departed rest in peace:

Hannah Keenan
Maria De Jesus

MEMORIAL MASSES

For those who want to honor their deceased loved ones, Memorial Mass services are available for booking on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish office at (416) 247-0513 if you are interested or email us at translord45@gmail.com

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity. The regular collection for the week August 7th was \$5,034.50
Please remember Transfiguration of Our Lord Church in your last will and testament.

THE OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach program will be collecting men’s new underwear, socks, jeans warm gloves, winter hats & scarves, towels, men’s deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, bar soap/body wash, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, Advil, Ensure / Boost, canned food, coffee, tea, rice, vitamins, Vicks Vap-Rub, & Neo Citran.

GENERAL MEETING FOR ALL THOSE VOLUNTEERING IN ALL OF THE MINISTRIES AND GROUPS IN TRANSFIGURATION PARISH

As you all know, a new Pastor, Fr Carlos, and a new Associate Pastor, Fr. Jomon, have been appointed to our parish. We would like all those who volunteer in the parish to come to a general meeting to project the way ahead of Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish and to start working towards the Organizational Chart of the Pastoral Work in the parish and the beginning of the Pastoral Executive Council.

The meeting will take place on Saturday, September 17th, 2022 at 10:30 AM. Kindly attend the 9:30 AM Mass after which we will start the meeting with coffee and at noon we will share pizza together. Please contact the respective coordinator of your ministry to let them know of your participation in properly coordinating food. Thank you.

– *we are happy to assist in the organizing!*
The list of 2022 locations will be posted later this month.

RIFLESSIONE EVANGELICA

Le Il profeta Isaia condivide con noi una visione di persone di "tutte le nazioni e lingue" che vengono al Signore. Gesù parla anche di persone che vengono da "est e ovest, da nord e da sud" per banchettare nel regno di Dio. Paradossalmente, però, Gesù parla prima della "porta stretta". Come può la via verso Dio essere sia stretta che larga?

Forse è ristretto nel senso che non possiamo meritarlo attraverso uno status speciale, come la razza, la religione o la classe. Non possiamo guadagnarcelo eseguendo rituali corretti, dicendo le giuste preghiere o semplicemente seguendo le regole. Se facciamo affidamento sul nostro merito o status, la via verso Dio sembra incredibilmente stretta. Non meritiamo né guadagniamo l'amore, la misericordia e la grazia di Dio: sono dati gratuitamente. La nostra chiamata è quella di ricevere e rispondere.

Il Vangelo di Luca ci mostra tante persone improbabili che sono gli eletti di Dio, gli amati di Dio: la giovane Maria, sua cugina Elisabetta, i pastori, i pescatori, la donna che unse i piedi di Gesù, il lebbroso samaritano, Zaccheo l'esattore delle tasse. L'amore di Dio è ampiamente disponibile e coloro che fanno di aver ricevuto questo dono vogliono viverlo e dividerlo con gli altri. Questa è la nostra chiamata come discepoli; questo è ciò che celebriamo nell'Eucaristia. Come amati da Dio, confidiamo che la salvezza sta nell'amare Dio e gli uni gli altri.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

Grazie per la vostra generosità. La colletta regolare della settimana 7 Agosto e' stata \$5,034.50

Grazie ancora per il vostro contributo per aiutare con le spese della chiesa. Dio ti premia.

ADORATORI

La nostra cappella di adorazione è aperta 24 ore al giorno, questa è una bella devozione nella nostra parrocchia. Se desideri iscriverti per un'ora per tenere compagnia a Gesù, ti preghiamo di contattare l'ufficio perché abbiamo bisogno di adoratrici. E-mail: translord45@gmail.com



CONFESSIONE

La chiesa ha aggiornato gli orari delle confessioni. Ora offriamo la confessione dalle 16:30 alle 17:15 ogni sabato in chiesa.

Quando pecciamo, ci priviamo della grazia di Dio. E così facendo, rendiamo ancora più facile peccare ancora. L'unico modo per uscire da questo ciclo discendente è riconoscere i nostri peccati, pentirsene e chiedere perdono a Dio è comprometerci a fare il meglio.

MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONI DELLE MESSE

Sunday August 21

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45 am † Pro Populo; Mass for all the living & deceased members of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church
9:00 am † Brigida Novielli
† Suvilia Reffo
10:30 am † Narcisa Serran
† Yorrick De Souza
12:00 Noon † John, Rosario, Lina Colosimo, Ciriaco, Vito Grieco, Mario Bellisario
† Bessy Koruth and deceased family members
Thanksgiving Mass for Tony, Ivete Pinto & Family
7:00 pm Emma Santimano & Assumption Fernandes

Monday August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:30 am † Maria Miranda
† Raffaele Siconolfi
In honour of St. Rita, Special Intention for Dominico
A Special Blessing for Rocchina Siconolfi

Tuesday August 23

Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
9:30 am † Matthew Dishart
† Vincent Micallef
† Robert Birkholder
† Luigi Palumbo

Wednesday August 24

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
9:30 am † Domenico Cosentino
† Matthew

Thursday August 25

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest
9:30 am † Dominic
Thanksgiving Mass for Tony, Ivete Pinto and family

Friday August 26

9:30 am † Molly & Bronek Gabrek

Saturday August 27

Saint Monica
9:30 am † Holy Souls in Purgatory
4:30 pm Confession
5:30 pm

Sunday August 28

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45 am † Pro Populo; Mass for all the living & deceased members of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church
9:00 am † Maria Sgro
10:30 am † Juana Tolentino
† Joe Gallelo
† Joe Garito
† Tyler & Hunter Siriunas Gallelo
12:00 Noon
1:00 pm Baptism
7:00 pm



People do not fear a powerful hostile army as the powers of hell fear the name and protection of Mary

– St. Bonaventure