



### Altar Servers' Workshop

**Our Lady of the Airways Parish  
Saturday, March 2nd**

Altar servers enhance the quality of liturgical celebrations by serving the priest at Mass and other liturgies. This is a great way for young people to learn more about the Mass and take an active role in the Church family. Fr. Thomas and Ministry Co-ordinators will be holding an altar servers' workshop on Saturday, March 2nd.

**This workshop is mandatory for any children who are currently a member of the Altar Serving Ministry, and it is also open to any children (grade 3 and older) who have received their First Communion that are interested in joining the ministry.**

**Check-in:** 9:45am (in the parish hall)  
**Workshop:** 10:00 - 11:30am  
**Free Pizza Lunch:** 11:30am - 12:00 noon



### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

#### Monday: February 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00am - †Walter Tavares

#### Tuesday: February 26<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm - †Agnese Ferracci

#### Wednesday: February 27<sup>th</sup>

8:00am - †Roland & Joan Mongeon

7:00pm - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

#### Thursday: February 28<sup>th</sup>

8:00am - †Herminia Tavares

#### Friday: March 1<sup>st</sup>

8:00am - †Giuseppe Antonio Bava

7:00pm - †Vittorio Esodo

#### Saturday: March 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30am - †Sergio Pasculli

5:00pm - For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday: March 3<sup>rd</sup>

9:00am - †Jose & Maria Marques

10:30am - †Camillo D'Alonzo & Olympia

12:00pm - †Bernard Sia



### Annual Mass of Saint Patrick

**St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica - Toronto**

**Saturday, March 16th at 10:00am**

**Presider and Homilist: Fr. Edward J. Curtis, Rector**

### Dynamic Women of Faith

**Saturday, March 23rd - 8:00am to 4:00pm**

*Celebrating our 10th year!*

*Mass celebrant: His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins. Includes a light breakfast, lunch, free parking and a free book. Speakers and topics to include:*

- **Dr. Ray Guarendi - Laughter: The Sanity of the Family Life**
  - Mary Wagner - Jesus won my heart
- **Fr. Eric Mah - Lawyer to Priest - The Journey**
- **Dorothy Pilarski: Motherhood Matters**

Early bird rates are available. Register at <http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>.

Please contact 416-907-1042. Register early to avoid disappointment.



“Forgiveness is above all  
a personal choice,  
a decision of the heart  
to go against the  
natural instinct to  
pay back evil with evil.”

~ John Paul II



### Calling All Girls: Friday, March 22 - 7pm to 10pm

*An evening of short high-powered talks.*

*Meet new people. Learn the truth. Talk about it. Discover who you are. Have fun. Avoid mistakes.*

*Improve your relationships. Speakers and topics to include:*

- **Dr. Ray Guarendi from EWTN - The Logic of Being Catholic**
  - Isabella & Natalie Bruno
- **3 Tips for a Great Mother-Daughter Relationship**
  - **Kataryna Ryba - Straight From the Heart**
  - **Dorothy Pilarski - The Truth About Work**

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### Eucharistic Adoration

Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 8:30am to 7pm. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to come and spend some time before Jesus in prayer and adoration?

### Vocations Corner...

The Lord calls us to do God's will. Pray that you may know God's will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997.**

**Email:** [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) **Web:** [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

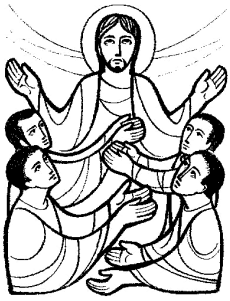


### Weekly Offertory



**Last Week's Collection: \$5,177.00**

**Thank You For Your Generosity**



Today's Gospel, taken from Luke's version of the Sermon on the Mount, calls us to forgive our enemies. As a person passionate about social justice, I hear this scripture calling me to also consider empathy and dialogue. Can we identify the humanity and the inherent dignity in those who do wrong to us or to others?

To live and love this way can be difficult. It may be easier to see those who hurt ourselves or others as selfish or as intentionally harmful. Yet, that outlook fosters alienation and isolation instead of community and connection. The Gospel recognizes the challenge present here, but encourages us to persist: "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them."

In this Gospel, Jesus offers guidance that seems counterintuitive. In the same way, finding common ground with those who oppress others may also be counterintuitive, especially when we are tempted to be angry instead of loving. However, empathy enables us to dialogue, change and social justice. We can see examples of this in peace processes and efforts towards reconciliation in Canada and throughout the world. When we come to a place of understanding, it may also be a place of peace.

*(Landon Turlock, Living with Christ).*

Il Vangelo ci propone oggi la rinuncia alla vendetta e alla violenza. Al loro posto, Gesù impone ai suoi discepoli il principio della non resistenza al male e il comandamento dell'amore dei propri nemici. È come se ci dicesse: non si trionfa sul male con il male; non si trionfa sulla violenza con la violenza. Il male e la violenza sono vinti quando li si lascia dissolvere, senza rilanciarli con una risposta analoga. L'odio non può essere distrutto che dall'amore che lo subisce gratuitamente.

Non è vero che noi non possiamo evitare, a queste parole, un movimento di rifiuto? Non hanno l'apparenza della follia, abituati come siamo a vedere trionfare il potere e l'aggressività dei forti, mentre il male si accanisce sui deboli e i disarmati? Questi ordini non sarebbero il frutto delle divagazioni di un sognatore che non ha l'esperienza della crudeltà spietata del nostro mondo?

Di Gesù si può dire qualsiasi cosa, tranne che non abbia conosciuto la cattiveria. Egli ha conosciuto bene che cosa voleva dire essere detestato, spogliato, percosso e ucciso. In realtà, è il solo uomo che può dire quello che noi abbiamo appena ascoltato senza la più piccola leggerezza, perché in lui, e in lui solo, queste parole furono verità. Egli ha amato coloro che lo odiavano, ha dato più di quanto non gli fosse stato tolto, egli ha benedetto coloro che lo maledicevano.

Solo così questa condotta viene giustificata. Non è il prodotto di una saggezza profana, che implicherebbe una irresponsabilità criminale. Non è qui un politico o sociologo di questo mondo che parla. Colui che parla ha superato il male attraverso la sofferenza. Ed è per questo che la sola giustificazione possibile di questi comandamenti di Gesù è la sua croce. Solo colui che dice "sì" alla croce di Cristo può obbedire a tali precetti e trovare nell'obbedienza il compimento della promessa contenuta in essi: il bene trionfa sul male attraverso l'amore.

## *Lenten Retreats...*

### **Our Lady of the Airways Church** **Monday, March 4th at 6:30pm**

Our Lady of the Airways Charismatic Prayer Group invites everyone to an evening of praise and worship and a special Lenten talk given by guest speaker, Fr. Matthias Kotoka Amuzu. Fr. Matthias is the Spiritual Director for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council (CCRC) of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Please come and bring a friend.



### **Newman Centre Catholic Mission** **(St. George Campus)**

**Sat, March 9th (9:00am to 3:00pm)**

The Newman Centre Catholic Mission at the University of Toronto's St. George Campus is offering a Lenten retreat directed by Fr. Michael Knox, SJ, DPhil (Oxon), Director, Martyrs' Shrine. **Tickets: \$30 only!**

**Registration:** <https://lentenretreat2019.eventbrite.ca>

### **St. Augustine's Seminary Lay** **Formation Program Presents:**

A Lenten Retreat titled,  
**"Mary in the Heart of the Church"**

**Presenter:** Father Charles Anang

**Date:** Saturday, March 30  
(9:30am to 3:00pm)

**Cost:** \$50 (includes lunch)

The retreat will include Mass in the seminary chapel.  
To reserve a space, please visit: [www.staugustine.on.ca](http://www.staugustine.on.ca)  
or call 416-261-7207 x235

Email: [layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org](mailto:layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org).



## **EDGE** **YOUTH CORNER** **LIFE TEEN**

*Are you in grade 6, 7, or 8?*

All students in **grade 6 - 8** are welcome to our next  
**EDGE Night on Friday, March 8th**, from 7pm - 9pm.

For registration info, please contact 905-677-4615 or  
email: [OLAYouthministry@hotmail.com](mailto:OLAYouthministry@hotmail.com)

Calling all **"OLA Teens"** in grades 9 - 12!

*Are you looking for service hour opportunities?*

Please join us for our next  
**LIFE TEEN - Hangout & Community Service**  
on **Saturday, March 9th** from 2pm - 4pm.

*Follow us on Instagram:* [ourladyairwaysyouth](https://www.instagram.com/ourladyairwaysyouth)

## *OLA Young Adults*

Programs and Events for ages 19 - 39.

*Follow us on Twitter:* [@Airways\\_YA](https://twitter.com/Airways_YA)