



World Day for Consecrated Life Celebration

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick on Sunday, February 3rd at 3:00pm at St. Paul's Basilica (Toronto), to celebrate with and pray for these consecrated men and women who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday: February 4th

8:00am - †Mary Manuepillai

Tuesday: February 5th

7:00pm - In Thanksgiving ~ Birthdays of
Maria Donato Greco,
Ersilia Paulozza,
Irena Raimondo,
and Filomena Raimondo

Wednesday: February 6th

8:00am - †Johannes Lim

7:00pm - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday: February 7th

8:00am - †Nadia Zanatta

Friday: February 8th

8:00am - †Cajetan Lawrence and
Maria Fernandes

7:00pm - †Domenico Figliomeni and
Teresa Cerisano

Saturday: February 9th

8:30am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm - †Farid & Wardeh-Hana Serhal

Sunday: February 10th

9:00am - For the People of Our Parish

10:30am - †Antonio and Ika Mrkic

12:00pm - †Ilanganayagam Sebastian



An Evening at St. Augustine's Seminary

Monday, February 11 - 4:45pm

Have you ever thought about becoming a priest? Spending an evening at the seminary offers discerners a glimpse into the place where priestly formation begins. The evening includes Holy Mass in the beautiful seminary chapel, dinner, a talk by Director of Vocations Fr. Chris Lemieux and a tour of the seminary.

Contact: Office of Vocations; **Phone:** 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation Program Presents:

**Same-Sex Attraction and Gender Identity:
Welcoming and Accompanying with the Heart of Christ**

Presenter: Father Kevin Belgrave

Date: Saturday, February 23 - 9:30am to 3:00pm

Cost: \$50 (includes lunch)

The retreat will include Mass in the seminary chapel. Please contact St. Augustine Seminary to reserve a space. Visit: www.staugustine.on.ca or call 416-261-7207.



New Beginnings Presents:

"Behold, I make all things new" (Rev. 21:5)

Separated, Divorced?

If you are struggling... you do not have to do this alone.

New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or the death of a loved one.

Together... we explore our grief, experience healing and renew our faith.

This 6-week group will launch on February 26 @ 7pm at St. Christopher's Parish, in Mississauga. For more information and to register, please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni at alimanni@cfstoronto.com or (416) 921-1163 x 2225

Phone: 416-261-7207 **Email:** layspiritualformation@sastoronto.org

2019 Life Jesus Higher Rally:

Saturday, March 2 - 9 am to 5:30pm

The theme of this year's rally is hope in the midst of suffering...

...we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope" (Rom. 5:3-4). The day will consist of inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote speaker Fr. Mark Goring, CC. His Eminence Cardinal Collins will celebrate an adult Mass, while Fr. Goring will celebrate a youth Mass.

Cost: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth **Contact:** Catholic Renewal Ministries

Phone: (647) 243-9441 or (905) 270-2510

Email: contact@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca **Website:** www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca



"The consecrated life frees
our affections of every
possession in order fully to
love God and other people."
-Pope Francis-

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?

Weekly Offertory



Last Week's Collection: \$4,730.00

Thank You For Your Generosity



In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth refused to renounce their possessive attitude toward Jesus. He was bitterly criticized because he demonstrated great openness of heart, particularly towards people on the peripheries of society. The Gospel story shows how difficult it is to attain a universal vision. When we face

someone like Jesus, someone with a generous heart, a wide vision and a great spirit, our reactions are often filled with jealousy, selfishness and meanness of spirit.

His own people couldn't recognize the holiness of Jesus, because they had never really accepted their own. They were suffering from a form of blindness. They couldn't honour Jesus' relationship with God because they had never fully explored their own sense of belonging to God. Until we see ourselves as people beloved of God, miracles will be scarce, and the prophets and messengers who rise among us will struggle to be heard and accepted for who they are.

Jesus was called to break boundaries and take God's message of salvation to unexpected people and unexpected places. Through our Baptism, we are called to be prophets for the kingdom of God. We will encounter many reactions from those to whom we are sent, not all of them positive. Unswerving dedication, bold courage and deep biblical hope must be our trademarks.

(Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, Living With Christ)

Perché gli uomini rifiutano il profeta che parla in nome di Dio? Perché avvertono in lui un personaggio "scomodo", che li sveglia dal loro quieto vivere e condanna le vie sbagliate che percorrono, invitandoli a cambiare vita e a mettersi sulla strada indicata dal vangelo e dal modello di Cristo.

A Nazaret rifiutano Gesù, perché chiedeva un cambiamento radicale di vita, di abitudini, di mentalità. Allora trovano tanti pretesti per sfuggire all'ammonimento del profeta. Il mondo ha bisogno di profeti del vangelo. Oggi più di ieri. Anch'io sono invitato a essere profeta, cioè a testimoniare il vangelo con la vita e la parola, in tutte le situazioni di ogni giorno: famiglia, lavoro, scuola, letture, conversazioni, impegno di carità, attenzione all'uomo, ecc. Debbo chiedermi: chissà se la gente che mi avvicina riceve da me uno stimolo al bene?

Ma prima ancora mi pongo questa domanda: come accolgo Gesù, che ogni giorno m'invita alla conversione? I miei criteri di giudizio, di scelta, non entrano in crisi quando leggo il Vangelo? È una verifica che dovrei fare con serietà, nella preghiera. Altrimenti, a cosa serve darsi cristiano, se poi rifiuto tante volte ogni giorno l'invito di Gesù alla conversione?

Vocations Corner...

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering religious life or priesthood. 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

Web: vocationstoronto.ca



Prayer for Consecrated Life

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Friars' Student Writing Award 2019

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a 500-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme

"Justice, Only Justice,

You shall Pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:20).

Students should read the below scripture passage and respond to the following statement in the essay: **Christians sometimes commit to prayer and worship, but neglect the poor. Sometimes we pray in church, but act unkindly to others or exploit the environment. Refer to Deuteronomy 16:18-20 and answer: How can Catholics and Christians of all denominations unite to create a more just society and be examples of Christ's healing grace in a broken world?**

First Prize: HP Pavilion x360 laptop

Second Prize: iPad 6th gen. (32 GB)

Third Prize: Google Home 2 speaker

Essays will be published in The Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is **Feb. 18, 2019**. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or fax it to 416-934-3409.

For further info, call 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext. 403.



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, Feb. 8th**, from 7pm - 9pm.

For registration info, please contact 905-677-4615 or email: 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, February 16th** 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)