

Mass Intentions



for the Week

Sept. 18 - Sept. 23, 2017

Mon. Sept. 18 th	8am	+Betty Reid
Tues. Sept. 19 th	8am	+Stephanie Lewandowski
Wed. Sept. 20 th	8am	+Gabrielle Duggan-Legere
	10am	Willows Estate
Thurs. Sept. 21 st	8am	+Morna Singh
	10am	Chartwell Park Place
	2:15pm	Chartwell Resthaven
Fri. Sept. 22 nd	8am	+Charles & Albina McGough
Sat. Sept. 23 rd	9am	+Filomena Petricca

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUP



Once again we would like to welcome all parents, grandparents, caregivers and nannies with children under 5 years of age, to join us beginning September 19th on Tuesday's from 9:30- 11:00 am for Our Lady of Grace Children's Playgroup. There is no cost for this program, and all are welcome.

This a wonderful way to connect with other families within the parish while your children enjoy stories, song, crafts and play. Coffee for adults, and peanut free snacks for children will be provided. If you are interested in helping to organize this program please contact the Parish Office 905-727-4594

COMMUNION TO SHUT INS



We are looking for an individual, couple or family who will commit themselves to taking communion every Sunday to one of the seniors' facilities in the parish.

The folks all gather in a public area and after a short prayer they are given communion. We are hoping those who do this every week will build a bond of friendship with these important parishioners.

If this is something you can do, please contact Sandra or Fr. Frank at the parish. It may be that one of our monthly visitors would be willing to take on this weekly commitment.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?

September seems like a good time to ask people if they have thought of becoming Catholic. We have a Becoming Catholic group that meets regularly to learn about the faith and reflect on it. It is a very open process so we welcome folks at any time during the year. If you are an adult who has never been baptised or baptised in a Protestant or Orthodox tradition and now would like to be part of the Catholic church leave your name and contact information at the parish office.

COUNTERS NEEDED



Volunteers are needed to help with collection counting. You don't need to be an accountant to help out with this ministry! Please contact

the parish office if you can spare a few hours on a Sunday morning once every five weeks.

THE AURORA PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Aurora Prayer Breakfast this year is on Tuesday, October 17 at 7AM. The parish has a table and would be more than happy if you participate. There is no cost involved. Let Nancy know in the office if you would like to attend.

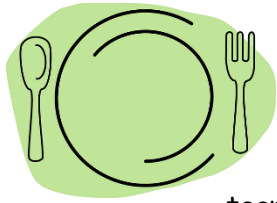
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN HELPERS

We could use some more helpers with the capital campaign. If you can give us some time through the fall to do follow up calls that would be great. The signup sheets are at the back after the masses today or email the office and leave your name and contact information with Nancy.

LOOKING AHEAD SEMINAR

On Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 9am Holy Cross Cemetery will be hosting a "Looking Ahead Seminar". Please see the poster in the foyer for details.

WELCOME TABLE



The welcome table invites the poor of our area to gather on Wednesday evenings to share a meal.

Our Lady of Grace has a team that takes responsibility about once a month. We are looking for a new team lead to oversee the Our Lady of Grace evening. There will be ample direction for the generous soul who can commit to this effort. Please contact Sandra at the church to discuss this further.

SHARELIFE

Congratulations to the parish on this year's Sharelife campaign which realized, \$160,391.00. We exceeded last year's total by \$6,000 and our set goal by \$20,000. A very sincere thank you to all who were part of the effort. So much great work on the part of the church is realized through this necessary support.

PARISH COUNCIL

Thank you to Deacon Pat Colangelo and Greg Wood who have retired as parish councillors after a number of years of service. Their insights and participation have been greatly appreciated. Thank you also to Mary Anne Cristofoli and Jason Gennaro who have agreed to sit on the parish council.

LETTERS FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

For families with children in the public or private schools letters for both sacraments are at the back of the church. First Communion is green and Confirmation is yellow. These letters will explain how to proceed to get your children ready for these sacraments. Children in grade two and seven in our parish schools have received these letters this past Thursday.

PET BLESSINGS

This year we will do pet blessings on Sunday, October 8th at 2 pm. We invite you to bring these companions from God's created order.

WELCOME EDUARDO

My name is Eduardo O. Paixão, originally from Sao Paulo (Brazil) and I am 28 years old. I come from a family of five, my parents and two brothers.

Today I am a seminarian of the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary of the Archdiocese of Toronto since 2011.

I discovered my vocation to the Priesthood about ten years ago through the "NeoCatechumenal Way" in Brazil. In 2011 through the decision of the initiators of the "NeoCatechumenal Way" in Italy I was sent to Redemptoris Mater Seminary of Toronto where I arrived at the beginning of 2012.

After finishing my Philosophical Studies and my third year of Theology last May; now I am preparing myself for another step of my formation which is my "internship year" at the parish Our Lady of Grace.

As I am approaching the end of my formation to the Priesthood, I count on the prayers and help of all the parishioners in this new step of my life.

EDGE YOUTH GROUP

We are starting a new youth ministry year and we need volunteers to help us out with the EDGE youth group for grades 6-8.

If there is enough interest and volunteer support, we would like to start a Life Teen youth group as well for high school students.

Our youth need your presence, example, and word. The Lord and His Church needs you to do His work. I, Fr Marijan need you to help so that together we may bring our youth closer to Christ.

Please sign up in the foyer of the church. For more information speak to Fr Marijan after Mass, call the office at 905-727-4594, or email, associate@ourladyofgrace.com

Please keep the youth ministry in your prayers, and thank you for your support.

THE NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH

Next week we will have a collection for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Envelopes can be found in the foyer today.