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## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Bertão, Pastor  
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## PARISH STAFF

Rachael Da Silva, Administrative Assistant  
Maria Young, Part-time Parish Secretary  
J.R. Lagman, Custodian

## OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:15 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

### Weekday Masses

Monday – Friday 8:00 am  
Saturday & Holidays 9:00 am  
First Friday Adoration 12pm to 7pm Mass

### Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 pm or by request

## You're welcome to join us for the Rosary!

Monday – Friday 8:30 am  
Saturday & Holidays 9:30 am

## Baptism

Please contact the office for Enrollment forms

## Marriage

12 months advanced notice required  
Preparation course is a prerequisite

## Do you feel called to Holy Orders or Religious Life?

Contact 416-968-0997 or [vocationstoronto.ca](http://vocationstoronto.ca)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Weekends & Statutory Holidays: Closed

## WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

If you are making Our Lady of Grace your parish, please register by contacting parish office 905-727-4594 or complete a registration form found in the foyer of the church.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	George Martin
Becoming Catholic	Brenda Chang
Catholic Cemetery – Holy Cross	905-889-7467
Catholic Cemetery – St. John's	905-898-4137 ext. 207
Catholic Family Services	905-770-7040
Catholic Women's League	Annette Brennan
Euchre	Agnes Carrey
Funeral Choir	Madeleine Swain
Knights of Columbus	John Lyn
Liturgical Ministries	Allana & Mark Stewart
Marriage Preparation	416-921-1163
Music Ministry	Dan Smith
Prayer Group	Edwin & Anita Andrade
Retrouvaille	<a href="http://torontoretrouvaille.com">torontoretrouvaille.com</a>
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Lisa DiSera
Volunteer Screening	Maria Young
Welcome Table	Annette Crisson
Welcoming Arms	Doug Steele

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Holy Spirit	905-713-6813
Light of Christ	905-727-5400
Our Lady of Grace	905-727-5631
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St. Joseph	905-727-5782
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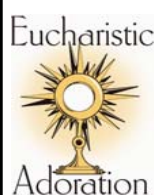


## Mass Intentions

Mon. Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Antoni Burg
Tue. Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Wed. Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Bernadette Boissonneault
Thu. Nov. 16 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Magaret Ho & Bich Cong
Fri. Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	8am	(SI) Julia & Brenda Oshiokpekhai
Sat. Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am	(SI) Nella Fortunato, + Marianna Drag, + Maria Janet Gardiner, + Deceased members of the Alberto & Lauro family, + Winnifred Chinniah, + Alda Laughlin, + Frank Ali
	5pm	+ Manolo Maddela
Sun. Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	+ Edilberto de la Cruz Sr.
	10am	+ John Lawlor
	7pm	+ Ignacio Bautista

### Registration for First Communion & Confirmation

Now closed. Thank you to all those who registered.



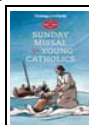
Mon. - Fri., after the 8am Mass, the Rosary will take place during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9am (Eucharistic Adoration also every first Friday of the month from 5pm - 7pm, followed by Benediction & Mass at 7pm).

### New Missals

New missals will now be available at the parish office while supplies last.



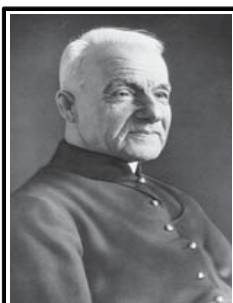
Missals for adults – \$7 each  
Missals for children – \$10 each



### ShareLife: Make a matching gift to support newcomers



Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate). Thanks to you, Catholic Crosscultural Services can provide settlement and mental health services for immigrants and refugees, including those fleeing war.



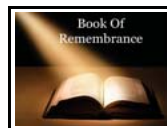
St. André Bessette  
(1845-1937)

"When you invoke St. Joseph, you don't have to say much. Say, 'If you were in my place, St. Joseph, what would you do? Well, pray for this on my behalf.'"

## From the Pastor's Desk

### Book of Remembrance

"You are invited to add the names of family and friends into the Book of Remembrance, located in front of the Ambo. Prayers will be offered for all names included in the book, at all Masses during the month of November."



### Sacramental Preparation

Sessions to prepare children for the sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation have started. The candidates and their families will be attending the Saturday morning 9am and Sunday 12pm Masses. Let us all be patient with our young friends, many of whom look up to us to set an example on how to behave in *Our House of Prayer*. These young people are our future and we are their teachers. Thank you in advance for your co-operation. Sessions will be every weekend starting from Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>.



### Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes are now available in the narthex of the church. This year, thanks to our new computer software, you will be using the same number as last year. The envelopes will be in numerical order. In the event you can't remember your number, an alphabetical list will be provided to be of help; please ask a minister if you require assistance. Please note: do NOT use your envelopes till the new year.



### The Shepherds Trust Special Collection

There will be a second collection on Nov. 19, 2023 for The Shepherds Trust.

The mission of The Shepherds Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

### Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)



Have you considered an easier way of supporting the parish? PAG is a convenient way: you decide how much and

we will charge your account the amount you are comfortable with on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. You can change the amount at anytime by contacting us. How much? For example, if you currently give: \$12/week that would be around \$52/month; and if you give \$25/week that would be around \$108/month. Kindly consider this convenient way of supporting our parish. PAG forms (blue) may be found near both main entrances of the church or on the shelves by the parish office.

### Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre

(1617 Blythe Road, 905-278-5229 or office@qoa.ca)

Invites women and men to an Advent Retreat on Sat., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 from 9:30am till 2:20pm, facilitated by the centre team.

Registration: 8:30am Cost: \$45 (includes coffee/tea with muffins and a hot lunch). We will close the retreat day with Mass.

### Exodus 90 Men's Group

If you are interested in more information, please contact Rick Sobiesiak at [olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com](mailto:olgraceau.exodus@gmail.com).



### Friars Student Writing Contest 2024

(Nov. 8, 2023, to Jan. 15, 2024)



Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27).

High school students (13-19 years old) in the Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the Global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25, 2024.

Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster at <http://surl.li/mlfkw>.

Submit entries at

<https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

For more information, contact: [ecumenical@archtoronto.org](mailto:ecumenical@archtoronto.org) or call (416) 934-3400 (ext. 527).

### CWL Meeting



Our upcoming CWL meeting will be on Tue., Nov. 14 at 7:30pm in the Large Meeting Room. If you are not yet a CWL member, please come and check us out. We will be discussing our Christmas Market and we need your help! We will also be distributing donation letters for those who are able to assist in securing raffle items.

### Christmas Market and Raffle



Vendor tables are available on a first come, first served basis for the Catholic Women's League Christmas Market and Raffle, which will take place on Sat., Dec. 2, 2023, at Our Lady of Grace Church in the Parish Hall. The cost to rent a table is \$50.

To reserve a table, please contact: [nancy.orschel@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.orschel@gmail.com).



### Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat

The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat for single Catholic men 18 years of age and older at St. Augustine's Seminary on Fri., Nov. 17 (6:30pm) until Sun., Nov. 19 (2pm) to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ, leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. There will be time for prayer, reflection, and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.



For more information, contact [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or register at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee).

### Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – your assistance is requested!



Our Archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan.


To participate in the consultation, visit: [www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation) to complete a brief survey by Dec. 15, 2023, where you can offer your suggestions and insights. The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

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