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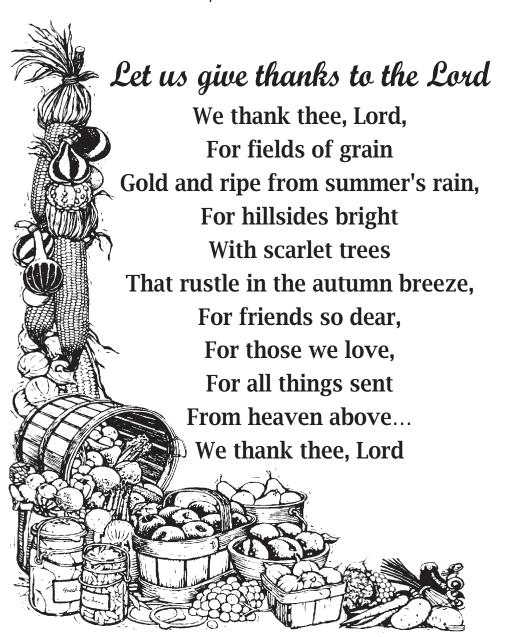
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Dear Parishioners,

I would like to draw your attention to two important things:

Thanksgiving: This weekend we celebrate thanksgiving. Taking a moment to reflect on the bounty of blessings in our lives is something we should do daily. The celebration of Thanksgiving offers us in the least the opportunity to think about thankfulness, the minute and overlooked ingredients of our daily lives that would be so terribly missed if they were absent. The joy of good health, the convenience of dependable housing, the privilege of work that sustains our life style, the comfort and safety of family and friends, the peace of mind that guides us into sleep, the confidence, that we are loved and appreciated, these are such core elements in our lives, yet we can sometimes not notice them and often take them for granted. The song says: "When I'm worried and I can't sleep I count my blessings instead of sheep and I go to sleep counting my blessings."

ShareLife: Thanksgiving is not only an invitation to live thankfully but also to share our thankfulness with those who have less or little to be thankful for. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, one of the concrete ways thorough which we share our thankfulness with those who have less or little to be thankful for, is the ShareLife Collection. The goal set this year for our Parish by the Archdiocese is 37, 200.00 To date, we have contributed 36,544.00 which is 98.2% of our goal. I want to sincerely thank each of our parishioners for your generous donations to ShareLife. Your donations will make a huge difference in the work of the social service agencies that work closely with the Archdiocese of Toronto. If anyone wants to donate to ShareLife, you can still do so online through ShareLife website.

Happy Thanksgiving to you all.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.



Tues. October 10th

12:05 pm: Arthur Morris +

Wed. October 11th

12:05 pm: Arden Broadhurst +

Thurs. October 12th

12:05 pm: Mary & Harry Keane +

Fri. October 13th

12:05 pm:

Sat. October 14th

5:00 pm: Maria Izaura Cezarina & Constancio

Gonsalves + Manuel De Lima +

Teresa & Felix Katigbak +

All Deceased members of Katigbak Family

Readings for Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, October 15th, 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 25.6-10a

Responsorial Psalms: Ps. 23.1-3a, 3b-4,5,6 Second Reading: Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

CHURCH PLANTS

We would like to thank those who have watered the plants in the Church, Chapel and Sacristy over the past months. However we now have people assigned to do this job on a regular basis. Thank you for your help in the past.

Sacristans

Parish Attendance Survey

The Archdiocese is requesting our participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parishes on the weekend of October 14/15 and October 21/22.

"Listening to Indigenous Voices" <u>Dialogue Circles</u>

In the spirit of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action toward deeper and more respectful relationships with our Indigenous neighbors, you are invited to register and participate in our ongoing series of Dialogue Circles in partnership with the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. Our dialogue will be informed by the Jesuit Forum's resource, "Listening to Indigenous Voices: A Dialogue guide on Justice and Right Relationships", published by Novalis Canada.

These will be a series of small group reflections on Indigenous issues in Canada.

The monthly sessions will be held in one of the rooms off the hall after Sunday's 10am mass.

The dates are:

Sunday Oct. 22nd

The Land Is Us - Session 3 in the Listening to Indigenous Voices guidebook

Sunday November 19th

Dispossession, Dependency and Oppression - Session 8 in the LTIV guidebook

Each session is stand-alone and will last about 90 minutes. You do not need to commit to both sessions. These sessions will continue in 2024 - details to come.

There will also be a parallel group for children aged 5-12. If you register your child, we strongly recommend you also register for the adult group.

Please call or email the parish office to register.

The cost of the Listening To Indigenous Voices guidebook is 20 dollars. We have books available for sale.

If you register, we ask that you read the session for discussion prior to our meeting.

SANCTUARY LAMP

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Eugenio & Rosina Marrelli All the deceased
siblings and Melanie Marrelli

at the request of Carmine & Gilda Benincasa

SEASON OF CREATION

- 1. The **Climate Action Group** invites all parishioners to contribute to the Season of Creation painting at the front of the Church. To be a **Parish River of Justice and Peace**, take a post-it note and write on it an issue of justice or peace which calls each one of us to respond, and then place it on the River.
- 2. After the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 8, parishioners are invited to meet for a brief time with Sr. Mary-Ellen in the parish basement to talk about a possible parish action to care for the needs of Creation. Such an Action will bring the Season of Creation alive for all of us.
- 3. On October 4, Feast of St. Francis, Pope Francis offered us further thoughts on his Encyclical Laudato Si', written in 2015, to include present critical problems needing attention. Copies of this "Part 2" of the Encyclical will be available for all parishioners. The Season of Creation ends officially on the Feast of St. Francis, but the need to Care for Our Common Home continues!

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- · How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

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