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## OFFICE HOURS

Appointment required

**Monday - Friday**

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Saturday**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## MASS TIMES

All Masses will now be  
livestreamed

**Mon, Wed and Fri**

12:15 PM

**Tues and Thurs**

7:00 PM

**Sat** 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM (*Vigil Mass*)

**Sun** 9:00 AM

## CHURCH HOURS

**Mon, Wed and Fri**

1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Tues and Thurs**

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Sat** 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## ADORATION CHAPEL

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**St. Aloysius Gonzaga** 2800 Erin Centre Blvd. | (905) 820 3900

**Divine Mercy** 2840 Duncairn Dr. | (905) 812 5445

**Our Lady of Mercy** 5820 Glen Erin Dr. | (905) 814 9216

**St. Rose of Lima School** 4590 The Gallops | (905) 828 4076

**St. Sebastian School** 3460 Aquinas Ave. | (905) 607 0107

## PARISH COMMUNITY

**Charismatic Prayer Group** Mondays, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**St. JP II Theology of the Body Prayer Group** Wednesdays, 9:00 -  
10:00 PM, by Zoom, [tob@bell.net](mailto:tob@bell.net)

**Knights of Columbus** Michael Fonseca, [gk16254@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:gk16254@ontariokofc.ca)

**Men's Fraternity** Saturdays, 8:00–10:00 AM, by Zoom

**Merciful Moms** Tuesdays, 9:30–11:30 AM

**Youth Ministry** <https://mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/our-ministries/outreach/youth-ministry/>

**Forged Young Adult Ministry** [www.forgedministry.com](http://www.forgedministry.com)

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** [www.mrcssvp.ca](http://www.mrcssvp.ca)

**Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services** [www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

**Bible Study Group** Wednesdays, 7:30–9:00 PM

## CONFESSION TIMES

**Tuesday** 6:00 - 7:00 PM

**Saturday** 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

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**First Reading:** Acts 4:8-12

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:1-2

**Gospel:** John 10:11-18

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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**Monday, April 26, 12:15 PM**

+ Nelson Fernandes, + Enrico Alquinto  
Special Intention for Rosie Remigio

**Tuesday, April 27, 7:00 PM**

+ Raymond Lim-Fook, + Giacomo Russo  
+ Enrico Alquinto

**Wednesday, April 28, 12:15 PM**

+ Enrico Alquinto, + Alex Mancenido  
Thanksgiving by Miguel Rabang

**Thursday, April 29, 7:00 PM**

+ Paul & Tilda Camilleri, + Enrico Alquinto  
Thanksgiving

**Friday, April 30, 12:15 PM**

+ Deceased Members of Coutinho Family  
+ Marie Therese Huynh, + Monica Tavares

**Saturday, May 1, 9:00 AM**

+ Maria Da Silva, + Joseph Yogarathnam  
+ Faustino Almeida  
+ Lidia Di Santo  
Thanksgiving to St. Joseph  
Thanksgiving by Willy & Remcy Menezes

**Saturday, May 1, 3:00 PM**

+ Deceased Members of Luk & Chui Families  
+ Maria Rolinda Hodgkinson  
+ Enrico Alquinto  
+ Hector Sayoc  
+ Julieta Fernandes  
+ Philomena Dias

**Sunday, May 2, 9:00 AM**

+ Margaret John  
+ Deceased Members of Bretana Family  
+ Paulina & Edmund Badzioch  
+ Charlotte Dias  
+ Basilisa Rabang  
+ Alfred Vella  
+ Ronald & Francisca Nevins-Selvadurai  
+ Dalmacio & Joel Palarca  
+ Monica & Francisco De Vera Sr  
+ Natty Almeida

Thanksgiving for Ella Folk

Thanksgiving for Max Folk

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

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In today's Gospel, Jesus is telling us about himself and his relationship with his disciples.

*"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."*

You and I know what a good shepherd Jesus is. He loves us so much that he willingly died on the cross for all his sheep down through the ages. All of his sheep are sinners and his loving death has freed us from our sins, and his resurrection has given us a share in his new life.

Jesus tells us more: "I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father." Because Jesus has loved us and called us to be his disciples, he has invited us into a special intimacy with him: the same intimacy he shares with his Father -- a divine intimacy.

How can anyone pass up that invitation?

The more we open ourselves and respond to Jesus' invitation, the more we realize how life changing our response is. And we are not alone. All disciples around us and in our world are making the same effort we are, allowing that divine intimacy to transform the way we live our daily lives. Our efforts support the working of grace in all.

The Eucharist we share nourishes our divine intimacy with Jesus and with one another. Our good shepherd gives us his body to eat and his blood to drink and he promises us eternal life.

As we allow the divine intimacy to grow within us, the words of St. John offer us encouragement. "Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God...We are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is."

Let us keep our minds and hearts focused each day on the intimate invitation of Jesus and respond generously.

Gospel Reflection CF: <https://oblates.squarespace.com/sundays-salesian-feed/fourth-sunday-of-easter-april-25-2021>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Acts 9:26-31

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:18-24

**Gospel:** John 15:1-8

### ShareLife

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Support vocations through ShareLife. When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests.

Your gift to ShareLife is investing in our Church's future by supporting 54 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in the current academic year.

Our parish goal is: \$247, 900

To date, we have raised: \$51,482

#### Pilgrimage Tour to Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Austria & Germany 6 - 17 September, 2022

This tour will be under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Suresh Xavier and the cost is CA \$5,390 (taxes and tips included). This tour includes a visit to St. Faustyna's tomb and the Divine Mercy Shrine. Additionally, this tour also features the Passion Play Oberammergau 2022. All travel arrangements are made by QS Travel & Tours Inc. affiliate of Queen Syrena Travel Inc.

**Phone:** 905-412-2242 or 1-800-565-3619

**Website:** [www.qstours.com](http://www.qstours.com)

#### Where Holiness is Found - Ordinary People Called to Extraordinary Lives

**5 June, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Online event**

Join us as we consider what Pope Francis calls the "feminine styles of holiness" and reflect on how the example of holy women can inspire us today. Presenter: Dr. Anne Jamieson.

Cost: \$25

Register: <http://bit.ly/DayOfReflectionForWomen>

Contact: St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto at 416-261-7207 or email [lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca](mailto:lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca)

Website: [www.staugustines.on.ca](http://www.staugustines.on.ca)

### Catholic Family Services of Toronto's Online Counselling Sessions

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. Single-session counselling is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: [info@cfstoronto.com](mailto:info@cfstoronto.com) or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave us a message with your name, email and phone number, and a staff person will contact you.

Clients who are interested in pursuing other or additional services in the agency have the option to access our ongoing counselling, wellness or group programs.

Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of their inability to pay fees.

## Communion Service

Merciful Redeemer is holding Communion services for the duration of lockdown. The schedule is as follows:

### SATURDAY

5:00 p.m. – 8:50 p.m. in 10-minute intervals.

### SUNDAY

10:00 a.m. - 1:50 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 7:50 p.m.  
in 10-minute intervals

**NOTE:** Registration is mandatory, will open on a weekly basis (every Sunday at 2:00 PM) and will close ONE DAY before Communion service begins. There are only eight spots available per time slot.

Visit [mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org](http://mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org) for more information and to register for Communion Service.

# NEWS AND UPDATES!

## Welcome Back to the Adoration Chapel!

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| <b>Monday</b>    | 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. |

### Please observe the following:

MAXIMUM of 9 Visitors at a time  
(The Church is also available private prayer.)

### SIGN IN and OUT at each visit

(Use the Registered\* or Drop-in Visitors' log)

### SANITIZE your area before leaving

### CLOSE the Angelic Doors covering the Monstrance if the Chapel will be empty when you leave

Register with the Adoration Ministry at (905) 812-0030 ext. 9 or email [adoration@mercifulredeemer.org](mailto:adoration@mercifulredeemer.org) with your name, phone number and day and time of the regular weekly hour visit you promise to keep.

### We Have a New Website!!

The Archdiocese of Toronto has developed a new, more accessible website platform for all parishes within the Diocese!

Visit us at [mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org](http://mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org)

### Online Bereavement Introductory Program

#### Program Objective

The Online Bereavement Introductory Program offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for questions and group discussion.

#### Program Goals

- Understanding the fundamentals of grief and mourning
  - Explaining the transitional dynamics of loss
  - Developing skills for emotional management and practical care
  - Renewing faith and rediscovery of personal spirituality
- Program Access

The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a group setting. Each candidate will be screened prior to being considered for admittance into the program.

**Start date & time:** Wednesday May 12, 2021 @ 7:00 pm  
**Total cost:** no charge

**For more information and to register please contact:**  
Arcangelo Limanni, MRE (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225  
[alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com)

We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds

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### St. Michael's Choir School Virtual Open House

**28 April, 2021 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

#### Online event

If your son loves singing and is in Grades 2-10, join St. Michael's Choir School staff, alumni, parents and students to learn more about our choral and academic programs.

Visit our website at [www.smcs.on.ca](http://www.smcs.on.ca) for more information about the school.

**Register:** <http://bit.ly/ChoirSchoolOHRegister>



OUR MISSION IS TO

LOVE, WALK WITH & EMPOWER THE YOUTH OF OUR COMMUNITY

TO BE JOYFUL & FEARLESS

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## MERCIFUL REDEEMER YOUTH MINISTRY

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**For High School Students (Gr. 9-12)**

**Schedule and time Slot:** Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, 4:30pm - 6 PM

**Next Life Night:** Saturday, May 8th, 2021

Lifeteen is a high-school youth ministry that strives to lead teens closer to Christ by strengthening our teens' Catholic identity, while also rooting them firmly in Christ and in His Church. If you are interested in joining the program in our parish, please register your child using the link found on the parish website. Once you register your child with the link provided, you will automatically be sent the Zoom link before every Life night.



**For Middle School Students (Gr. 6-8)**

**Schedule and Time Slot:** Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, 4:30 PM - 6 PM

**Next Edge Night:** Saturday, May 1st, 2021

Edge is a middle-school ministry program that aims to offer a safe and fun environment where you can learn more about your faith. If interested, please register using the link found on the parish website. Once you register your child with the link provided, you will automatically be sent the Zoom link before every Edge night.

### *Save The Date*

**April Prayer Reflection**

27 April at 4:00 p.m.

**Lifeteen Games Night**

28 April at 3:30 p.m.

**Marian Consecration**

Starting 28 April

Would you like to learn more about our Blessed Mother? Do you desire to grow in holiness and become a future saint? Join us as we journey together in praying the 33-days to Morning Glory booklet retreat. All youth in Grades 9-12, welcome!

**EDGE Friendship**

Moved to 29 April from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Summer Opportunities**

*More details to come!*

**Edge Camp 2021**

**\*NEW DATES\***

29 August - 2 September

Edge Camp is for all those who are currently in Gr. 6-8 and all participants must already be registered in our edge ministry program. For more details on how to register, please contact Danielle, the youth minister.

# CAMP MERCIFUL 2021

## Attention Parents:

In light of the current Covid-19 situation, and the realities of variants, and double variants, lockdowns and uncertainty, we must give careful consideration to what we can safely offer in terms of our summer “Camp Merciful” for children in grades 1-5.

It may be the case that all day camps are cancelled by government/health authorities, and our efforts to move forward will be fruitless. It may also be the case that many parents are afraid of the potential of their children for exposure to Covid-19; though we will abide strictly by any relevant health guidelines, we cannot guarantee absolutely, should Camp Merciful go ahead, that transmission of the virus will not occur.

On the other hand, assuming day camps are allowed to run, having the opportunity for your child/ren to attend our successfully run, faith-based and wildly fun Camp Merciful may just be the tonic necessary for children and parents alike, to get the most out of summer in this crazy time.

Before we go any further in our planning, however, know that the number of children attending will have to be smaller, to allow for social distancing at all times, especially indoors. At the same time, the number of attendees cannot be so small as to render the benefits woefully marginal compared to the outlay of effort and expense.

Therefore, we are asking parents of potential campers to let us know how you feel. Do you feel comfortable sending your child to the parish for Camp Merciful, knowing that we intend to do everything we can to keep our beautiful young people safe and happy and healthy and holy? Or do you feel that, given the situation and with all of its unknowns, you are not comfortable sending your child to Camp Merciful?

**Please let us know ([mercifulredeemerym@gmail.com](mailto:mercifulredeemerym@gmail.com)) by Thursday 29 April if you intend to send your child to Camp Merciful.**

Bear in mind, all children will be able to attend (financial hardship of parents is not a barrier; please speak to Msgr Owen about that, if it is the case). If we do not have enough interest, we will not move forward. A decision

needs be made sooner rather than later, as staff would have to be hired, funding arranged, activities planned, and safety anticipated.

Thank you for all you do to raise your beautiful children in the faith, and for your prayers for our Youth Ministry Team.

Danielle Lape  
*Youth Ministry Coordinator*

# Virtual Book Fairs

## Time to Shop!

Dear families,

It's here! Our school's **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** has begun! Our very own shopping site will be open from **April 26th - May 10th!**

Experience the joy of a Book Fair online by joining us at our **Virtual Family Event!** Make your favourite snacks, and come together as a family to view the fun, exciting and inspiring titles by clicking this link on **April 26th :**

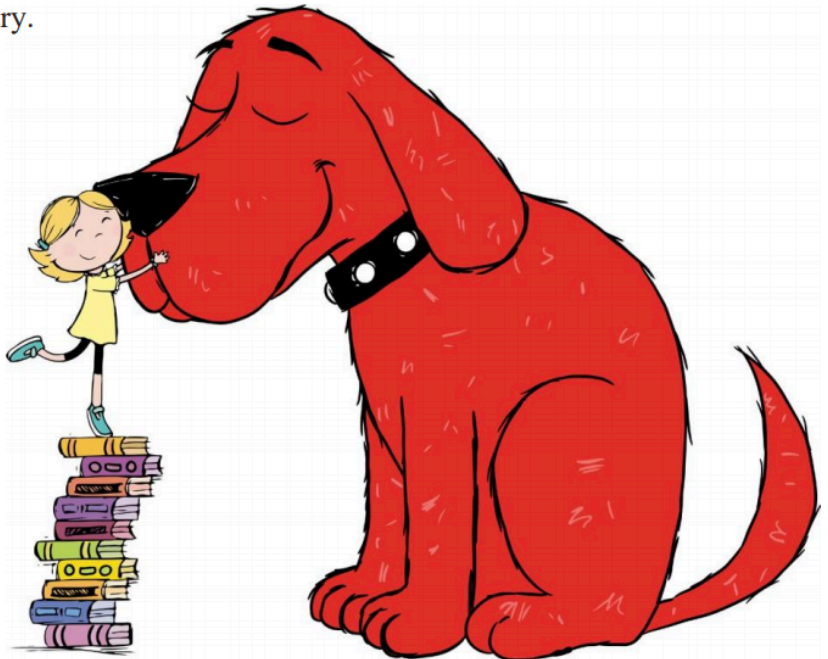
<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5156339>

Share this link with Grandparents, too! Extended family can participate in the **Virtual Book Fair** from the comfort of home.

Remember, all purchases benefit our school and earn **Rewards** that can be redeemed for books and Education Resources for our school's classrooms and library.

Thank you for participating in our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair!**

Happy reading!



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## *John the Baptist: Pay Attention*

If we can place a proper translation on everything that John the Baptist acted on and preached about, it would be something very simple and straightforward: Pay attention! He enters the scene of Scripture in the womb of his mother, Elizabeth. When Mary arrives to see her cousin, after the Blessed Mother had conceived the Son of God in her womb, John leaped for joy (Luke 1:44). Even before he was born, John points others to Christ and calls on the attention of his mother, Elizabeth, of Mary, and of all those who read the account of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth. With this strong decisive action, John sets the stage for a life of calling attention, not to himself, but to Christ.

When John begins preaching, he urges everyone who listens to prepare for what, and who, is coming. He tells the crowds to prepare through the practice of repentance along with a direct call to deep and radical conversion because the one who is coming will change and transform everything in their lives. Each time the crowds are caught up with John's preaching or prophecies, he deflects the attention off of himself and places it back on the one who is to come after him.

The perfect example of this is found in the first chapter of John's Gospel. John the Baptist has been testifying to the truth of all eternity: God is on his way, he is coming to us and will bring all of creation to himself. However, some are coming to believe that John may be the one who they have been waiting for. Here, he sets the record straight once and for all. The Pharisees come to John and ask him why he would be baptizing if he is not the Messiah or the return of Elijah the prophet? The Baptist answers by stating that he only uses water to baptize, "but among you stands one whom you do not know, even he who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie" (John 1:26-27). This man, of course, is Jesus Christ. The fact that Jesus is "among" them is a detail of the utmost importance. God is not in some far-off, magical land, he is right there with them. Since no one recognizes Christ, John will call him out and sets the example for all future disciples to do the same.

The Gospel continues and we see that the following few days involve John the Baptist and Jesus coming into contact with one another. John proclaims the same phrase on both occasions: "Behold, the Lamb of God" (John 1:29,36). The "behold" that begins this phrase is both biblically profound and practically important. Most

accurately we can translate it from the original word to mean, "Look!" or "There it/he/she is!"

Picture John saying this to his disciples while pointing his finger in the direction of this popular rabbi from Nazareth named Jesus. On the first day, John says this phrase and explains what he means by it. This man is the one whom I have been talking about. The Messiah has finally come. On the second day, Jesus walks by John and his disciples again, and John repeats the same proclamation. However, this time two of John's disciples listened to these words and acted on them. They followed Jesus on the way. After a short distance, Jesus turns to them and asks the question of faith: "What do you seek?" (John 1:38). Jesus forces them to seriously reflect on why they started to follow him on the way. Christ walks by them, and yes they follow his footsteps, but only from a distance.

Jesus, in a sense, is saying to these two disciples and to all of us: come closer or do not come at all. Trust me, come after me with everything you are, because I am the one who you have been waiting for, and I will never fail you. In the eyes of God, nothing less than everything will do: Christ desires our whole heart. These two men accept the invitation of Jesus, "they stayed with him that day," (John 1:39) and their lives were never the same.

With the aid of John the Baptist, countless people were made aware and made ready for the coming of the Messiah. He did this in many ways, but most vividly and powerfully, he accomplished it by showing others how to pay attention. May we always listen to how we are being asked to be on alert for God, and may we always respond to Jesus' invitation to "come and see." Faith starts with his coming, matures with our awareness of his presence, and reaches its pinnacle when we follow him closely—and never from a distance.

St. John the Baptist, pray for us, and help us point others to Christ.

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