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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 AM - 2:30 PM

## ADORATION CHAPEL

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## PARISH TEAM

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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 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

**Second Reading:** 1 John 4:7-10

**Gospel:** John 15:9-17

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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### **Monday, May 10, 12:15 PM**

+ Anne Manuepillai

+ Patricia & Orlando Dias

Special Intention for the Magi Family

### **Tuesday, May 11, 7:00 PM**

+ Thankamma Joseph

+ Valdis Kirstukas

+ Zoilo Figueroa

### **Wednesday, May 12, 12:15 PM**

Special Intention for Malcolm Mc Intyre

Thanksgiving for Nitrogen Castro

Thanksgiving by Mariette Fernandes

### **Thursday, May 13, 7:00 PM**

+ Francisca Pavalam Nevins-Selvadurai

+ Agnes Kwok-Sun

Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart of Jesus

### **Friday, May 14, 12:15 PM**

+ Deceased Members of Coutinho Family

Special Intention for the Magi Family

Thanksgiving by Nitrogen & Gil Castro

### **Saturday, May 15, 9:00 AM**

+ Jeyam Sebastian

+ Blossom Samuel

+ Amaro D'Souza

+ William Castillo

Special Intention for Lila Dhar & Meenakshi Batra

Special Intention for Hemant Batra & Family

Thanksgiving by Morcos Family

Thanksgiving by Marijane Cruz

### **Saturday, May 15, 3:00 PM**

+ Gertrude Lorenzo

### **Sunday, May 16, 9:00 AM**

+ Dalmacio & Joel Palarca

+ Monica & Francisco De Vera Sr.

+ Alfredo Ang Ko

+ Erwin & Daisy Lazrado

Thanksgiving by Lucilyn Deza

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

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Today's Scripture readings call us to embrace the great reality: God is love. God has loved us eternally. Even when the human family chose to reject God's love and sinned, God's eternal love for us sent his Son Jesus among us as expiation for our sins. God's love does not change; God does not love us because we love him.

Jesus reminds us of this wonderful news in the gospel today: "You are slaves no longer. I call you friends because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father." Through of our baptism into Jesus' saving death and resurrection, you and I share in the life and love of God. Jesus has made it possible for us to love one another as he has loved us. Through the grace of faith, you and I are begotten of God and know God. God gives us the ability to love and he desires us to use that ability for the good of one another.

God makes his enduring love surprisingly evident in today's first reading. When Peter enters the house of Cornelius, a Gentile, the Holy Spirit is poured out on this pagan family even before they are baptized. Peter is shocked that non-Jews are speaking in tongues, but he accepts the wonder of God's love working in these foreigners and baptizes them in the name of Jesus. Peter is forced to acknowledge that God shows no partiality in loving. That will become the practice of the Church community. We are to love all as Jesus has loved all. There can be no strangers or aliens in our community. We must be open to the many ways that God's love will manifest itself among us. Sometimes the working of God's love will surprise us, as it did Peter. Since God's love is always present among us, we may experience it through the least likely people and situations.

You and I are often the unsuspecting channel of God's love for people who least expect it from us. When we learn to accept the great mystery of God's eternal love for each of us, when we make the time each day to allow God's love to reach deeply within us, when we decide to expect to find God's love in each person we meet during the day, then we will find ourselves experiencing the great transformation that Jesus has come to make in us. We will learn to treasure being Jesus' friend and try to be friend to everyone we meet. We will be mindful of St. John's words: "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that God has loved us." It is not that others have loved me first; rather, I have loved them. This is how Jesus has loved us. It is the way that he asks us to love one another. May our God be praised in our efforts to love!

Gospel Reflection CF: <https://oblates.squarespace.com/sundays-salesian-feed/sixth-sunday-of-easter-may-9-2021>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Next Week's Readings

**First Reading:** Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26

**Second Reading:** 1 John 4:11-16

**Gospel:** John 17:11b-19

## 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.

## Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council's Rosary

### Sundays

**Every Sunday in May at 7:30 p.m.**

### Online event

Join us as we accept Pope Francis' invitation to dedicate the month of May to praying the rosary for an end to the COVID-19 pandemic. Every Sunday evening in May, let us come together to pray the Glorious Mysteries. We will be going live on the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Council of the Archdiocese of Toronto's YouTube channel and Facebook page every Sunday in May at 7:30 p.m.

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**Email:** [ccrctorontoinfo@gmail.com](mailto:ccrctorontoinfo@gmail.com)

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

**Facebook:** <http://bit.ly/CCRCTorontoFacebook>

**Youtube:** <http://bit.ly/CCRCTorontoYouTube>

## Catholic Conscience presents: The Catholic Leaders Mission

The Civic Engagement Leadership Council of Merciful Redeemer Parish invites you to join us in a formation opportunity, designed to equip each of us better to engage respectfully, responsibly and effectively in the building up of our civic and moral culture.

Working as a Catholic in a civic or political vocation is more than a job or volunteer experience. In the vision of Catholic teaching, civic participation is a vocation—one of the most important for nourishing the true common good of all. For Catholic civic leaders, proper formation is critical. Whether one is a politician or just seeking to live the Gospel and their vocation as a Catholic citizen of this city and province and country, it is imperative that each of us be informed and effective.

This is the purpose of our Catholic Leaders Mission: our two-day workshops offer spiritual and moral formation, methods of discernment, and practical skills needed for working in politics and civic vocations. Attendees emerge ready to serve their communities in a spirit of political love, through commitment to the principles of Catholic social teaching and the enhancement of the dignity of every Canadian – including the unborn, the elderly, the young, families, and those who are too often forgotten by society, as well as workers, farmers, business owners, and all future generations.

### Who will benefit from the Catholic Leaders Mission Program?

Catholic politicians and political candidates;  
Catholics who are discerning a decision whether to or not to stand for election or seek appointment to political office, whether that office be trustee, city council, or provincial or federal office;  
Catholics who work in politics, including political staff and public servants;  
Catholics who work for or volunteer for Catholic charities and advocacy organizations; and  
Catholics who serve in community leadership roles, such as service on a board of directors, a parish council, or a committee.

**To register, visit** <https://catholicconscience.org/catholicleadersmission/>

## ShareLife Campaign

Thanks to your generosity, so far we've raised \$73,989, which is 30% of our goal! To donate, please visit our parish website!

# NEWS AND UPDATES!

## Welcome Back to the Adoration Chapel!

<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.

### EWTN Live Coverage of Canada's National March for Life

**Thursday, May 13 at 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**  
Watch on EWTN

This year, we can't all march to Parliament Hill but we can still show our support for ending over 50 years of abortion on demand! EWTN brings Canada's 24th

National March for Life to your home by offering complete live coverage of the events. Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall, Marcel Damphousse, celebrates the National Mass for Life at 10:30 a.m., with greetings from Archbishop of Toronto, Cardinal Thomas Collins and Archbishop of Montreal, Christian Lépine. The March for Life will air from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Contact:** EWTN Canada

**Email:** [nflores@ewtn.com](mailto:nflores@ewtn.com)

**Website:** [www.ewtn.com/tv/extra-watch-live/canada](http://www.ewtn.com/tv/extra-watch-live/canada)

### Summer Retreat with Fr. Jacques Philippe

**Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Online event**

The Newman Centre is excited to invite you to a summer retreat with world-renowned spiritual director, Fr. Jacques Philippe. He will present an inspiring retreat on the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will pray the rosary together as well as the Litany to the Sacred Heart. With over one million copies sold in 24 languages, Fr. Philippe's writings on prayer, interior freedom and peace of heart have become classics of modern Catholic spirituality. This will be a live webinar and seats are already filling up.

Please register and spread the word!

**Register:** <https://summer2021retreat.eventbrite.ca>

**Contact:** [lenita.lopes@newmantoronto.com](mailto:lenita.lopes@newmantoronto.com)

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

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

**Saturday, June 5 at 9:30 a.m. to 12 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>

**Phone:** 416-261-7207

**Email:** [lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca](mailto:lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca)

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



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

**Schedule and time Slot:** Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Next Life Night:** May 22nd, 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 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**Next Edge Night:** Saturday, May 15th, 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*

#### **May Prayer Time**

Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.

*Join us every Tuesday this month as we pray the rosary in devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary.*

#### **Edge Friendship**

19 May from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A space to share, connect and grow in fellowship with your fellow Edgers!

#### **Lifeteen Games Night**

12/26 May at 3:30 pm

Come hang out with your Core leaders for some fun games and activities.

#### **Edge Fellowship (Games Night)**

May 13/27

Play some online games with us and show off your competitive side. Open to all those in Gr. 6-8.

#### **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.

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  
(905) 812-0030 ext. 7

### Msgr. Owen

Merciful Redeemer Pastor  
pastor@mercifulredeemer.org

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) by Sunday 9 May 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 to be made sooner rather than later, as staff would have to be hired, funding arranged, activities planned, and safety anticipated.



# God's Story Is Your Story, Part 3: The Narrative Thread

As a loving Father, God has not only provided us with a family setting in which to grow up. He also has a will for his family, a plan, a lovingly thought out destiny. His plan is the world's true story and by it we gauge our own progress and find an anchor for life's many storms. Those who are members of the Catholic Church step into a new corporate and personal story which can only be understood and lived in the context of family.

All throughout history people have had a natural tendency to frame experiences in terms of a drama or story. This desire, common to all of us, is very important for understanding both the Bible and our own lives. We tend to approach the Bible and life assuming that both will make perfect sense, both complete with introduction, body, and conclusion. We were born, we will grow up and find that beautiful mate with whom we will live happily ever after, then discover the right occupation, raise two-point-five perfect children and finally retire with adequate funds to take us through the golden years. In the same way, we expect to pick up the Bible and read it cover to cover with the story-line hitting us squarely in the face. Neither our lives nor the Bible are quite so simple.

William Kilpatrick explains:

*"the same impulse that makes us want our books to have a plot makes us want our lives to have a plot. We need to feel that we are getting somewhere, making progress."* - William Kilpatrick, *Why Johnny Can't Tell Right from Wrong* [New York: Touchstone, 1993], 192

Perhaps this desire accounts for our being drawn to novels that take the form of a journey or adventure such as *The Odyssey*, *Moby-Dick*, *Swiss Family Robinson*, or motion pictures like *Love Story* or *Rudy*, the story of an unlikely football hero.

## A Comprehensive Storyline

Indeed, good stories are powerful. They provide us with a path, an opportunity to make better sense of our lives. Many times stories alert our hearts to the fact that life is a journey, a quest that goes beyond merely surviving. But many find themselves tired, empty, living day-to-day without a story. Kilpatrick observes:

*"[When we] turn our attention to those who attempt suicide, we find that the problem is not so much that they have lost their self-esteem but, more importantly, that they have lost the narrative thread of their lives.*

*Life has become pointless, without plot or direction. We are willing to endure suffering when the suffering has meaning, but meaning is exactly what is absent in the case of a potential suicide. When suffering can be set within a narrative scheme, we manage to keep going; but if life itself is pointless, why put up with its thousand mockeries and cruelties?"* - *ibid.*, 194

Our desire and fascination with stories suggests that there is an ultimate story of which we are an integral part, a story to which we are drawn that is bigger than ourselves. As man's longing for God provides evidence for his existence, so the ultimate story, written by God, is evident by our endless search for a plot in which we can envision ourselves participating in a way that will make sense of our lives.

St. Augustine once said concerning our need for God, that "our heart is restless until it rests in you" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 30). We could also say that no story will leave us with a sense of completeness and belonging until we enter his story. For his story provides the comprehensive story-line by which every life finally makes sense. Ironically we often find ourselves resisting our heavenly Father much like a teen resists being identified with parents at a high school function. We wrestle with those who are there to nourish and teach us.

You are invited to come on this family adventure. Along the way you will begin to see why God created you and what your future holds. Look for new parts in this series on Saturdays in August.

Article CF: <https://media.ascensionpress.com/2020/08/15/his-story-is-your-story-part-3/>



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BUSY LIVES – RESTLESS  
SOULS:

NURTURING HOPE IN  
DIFFICULT TIMES

WITH

DR. ANNE JAMIESON

DATE:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021

TIME: 7:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.



**Overview:**

*Dr. Anne Jamieson will share with us a message of finding hope and peace even in these uncertain times. Please join us for this busy persons' retreat.*

**About the Facilitator:**

*Dr. Anne Jamieson is a wife, mother, teacher, author and life-long learner. Anne served for 12 years in the Diocese of Hamilton as the Director of the Catechesis Office and is now the Executive Director of the Institute for Catholic Education in Ontario. She has been both an elementary school teacher and a lecturer at St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto. She holds her Doctor of Ministry from the University of Toronto. Anne and her husband David live on the family farm raising the 7th generation of Jamiesons to live and work on the farm.*

## Zoom Webinar

Important  
DATE!

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Please click this link to join webinar:

<https://zoom.us/j/99032622660?pwd=aUIZYnJLSjh5K2RMZitLSUJsMXNkQT09>

Password: cu8WhX