

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 2023



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023 (5:00 PM)

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 | Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 | Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 | Matthew 15:21-28

† Lourdes R. Torralba

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 (9:00 AM) **No Livestream this Sunday**

† Alan Sr. & † Alan Jr. del Puerto

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 (11:00 AM)

For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

Judges 2:11-19 | Psalm 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44 | Matthew 19:16-22

NO MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023 (7:00 PM)

Judges 6:11-24a | Psalm 85:9, 11-14 | Matthew 19:23-30

† Maria Donata & Nicola Perrotta

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023 (9:00 AM)

Judges 9:6-15 | Psalm 21:2-7 | Matthew 20:1-16

† Wieslaw Hutny and † Frank & Lynn Carroll

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023 (9:00 AM) 11:28-30

Revelation 21:9b-14 | Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 | John 1:45-51

† Alexander Pellizzari

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2023 (9:00 AM)

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 | Psalm 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24 | Matthew 22:34-40

† Anthony Menezes

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2023 (9:00 AM)

Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17 | Psalm 128:1b-2-5 | Matthew 23:1-12

Special intention of Annamaria Piraino and † Mary Kuriakose

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wed. & Thurs. 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Friday 9:30 am to 12:00 noon

DAILY DEVOTIONS

(after Mass)

Tues. – Sts. Anne & Joachim

Wed. – Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday - St. Jude

Friday – Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday – St. Michael

Confessions: Sat. 9:30 to 10:30 am

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PASTOR'S BLOG

August 20, 2023

I wish I had the Staples red button to press that says, "That was Easy!". My summons to jury duty came and went within an hour when all who were summoned were dismissed as we were not needed. As I have had random conversations about this, there was obviously a reluctance to perform this civic duty. There were many things that needed to be juggled, how long would it take, and finding coverage for Mass and Sacraments. I will be honest, I tried to get excused, but I was not persuasive enough.

However, there is a part of me that was excited about the prospect of sitting on a jury. Ever since I was a child, I enjoyed the "Law and Order" genre of tv shows. I grew up watching Perry Mason, Law and Order, and Murder she wrote. The police work, gathering evidence, making persuasive arguments, motions and trial procedures were all very intriguing to me. Quite frankly, if I was not called to the priesthood, I probably would have ended up in law.

Which reminds me of a funny story...I still laugh looking back on it. When I was in elementary school, we learned the basics of law proceedings and we also had to work on a mock trial. What makes this a funny story is that my laugh was on trial. I would constantly be asked to leave the classroom when I was in school because the class clown would always get me to laugh and my laugh was contagious causing all the students to laugh. The teacher asked me to leave and after settling down I would be invited back into the class. One time, I was sent out of the class because I was laughing. I settled down outside and the teacher brought me back in. However, as soon as I got back into the classroom, I started laughing again, I couldn't stop. So, I did not even wait for the teacher, I just went outside.

So, when we came to civics, and the mock trial, we thought it would be cool to put my laugh on trial. Obviously, I sat as the defendant and it was so fun to go through the process of collecting evidence, getting witnesses, examining them on the stand and all the petty, "I object" outbursts. We learned a tonne and had fun doing it. The good ole days...

By the time I was in High School, the teachers no longer asked me to leave class when I laughed and I never stopped laughing! Justice is necessary, as it still gets me in trouble, but mercy goes a long way. I truly believe that Jesus had the PERFECT sense of humour...I will try my best to imitate Him!

Fr Michael

ANNUAL MASS FOR
THE FAITHFUL DECEASED
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
CEMETERY, MISSISSAUGA

10:00 AM
SAT., SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

Annual Mass for the faithful deceased at
St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
2099 Dickson Road,
Mississauga, ON L5N 1Y6

Please note that there will be
NO MORNING MASS at
St. Mary Star of the Sea Church
on September 9, 2023

THIS WEEK'S
VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

TABERNACLE

Special intention of Devin Anthony
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SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Blessings for Lyette Alley
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OUR BLESSED MOTHER

In loving memory of Anita Coleman
For the souls in purgatory

ST. JOSEPH

In thanksgiving

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
(SSVP)

Our ministry is inspired by the work of our founder, Frederic Ozanam, and rooted in the love of Jesus. When we gather for our meetings, our prayer includes the following: "Lord Jesus, make us responsive to the Christian calling to seek and find the forgotten, the suffering or the deprived, so that we may bring them Your love. Help us to be generous with our time, our possessions and ourselves, in this mission of charity." Our members pray before going out on visits. Thank you for supporting our work.

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MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION
AUGUST 19/20, 2023

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