

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 2024



**ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024 (5:00 PM)



Special intentions of Vanessa Trimboli

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024 (9:00 AM)

For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024 (11:00 AM)

†Aldo Lista

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024

NO MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 (7:00 PM)

Special intentions of Stephanie & Dharma

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Virginia Reck, †John Vincent MacAree, †Pietro Bottero and  
Special intentions of Michael Saunders, Nikola Mladenovic and  
Vincent Ghisleni

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Nilanthi Goonesekera

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2024 (9:00 AM)

Special intentions of John Sanchez and family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†John David Keyser, †Helen Mary O'Neill, †Danilo Pasut,  
†Horace & Shirley Crage and Special intentions of Shantie Toolsie  
and Fr. Neil McMillan

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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

Friday - 9:30 am to 12:00 noon

**DAILY DEVOTIONS**

(after Mass)

Tuesday - 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**

**Support Your Parish:**

1. Drop off or mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office.

2. Contribute to your parish offertory by credit card. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to your parish's offertory or other special funds.

3. Contribute through Pre-Authorized giving (PAG). You can obtain a form from the parish office or [click here](#) to download the form.

4. You can contribute to the offertory via on-line banking.  
Email [campaign@archtoronto.org](mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org)

## PASTOR'S BLOG - OCTOBER 20, 2024

In the spirit of thanksgiving, my thanks to Sam for looking after last week's blog. We certainly have a lot to be thankful for here at St. Mary's. For myself, I am very thankful for my family, friends and my parish family who show their generous hearts to me in varied ways. I had a wonderful supper with my family on Monday and with good division of work, it was a pleasant meal. Mom took care of food prep, I did the cooking of the prepared food and dad was on clean up. (He drew the short straw...)

With regards to my friends, last week I was able to get away from Monday to Friday on a road trip with a priest friend from the Archdiocese down to America to visit a mutual priest friend who studied at St. Augustine's Seminary. It was a fun road trip with all the antics one might expect from priests. Great food, great company and being able to celebrate Mass with a different parish community was a blessing. I am very thankful for the warm hospitality that the parish community showed us. Every parish has its own vibe and character and it is good experience to get a sense of what that is. Like always, these vacations always provide me with clarity of mind and a bunch of new ideas that need to be adapted to our parish but I think will work. More to come...

And with regards to the parish family, well of course there was our thanksgiving food drive. On behalf of the Good Shepherd Centre in Toronto, thank you. When I was a seminarian, I would volunteer my time during summers helping in the kitchen and clothing warehouse. The need has only grown and it is good that we do whatever we can do to help and support these centres. But then comes our extended family. One of the side trips we made while in America was to the University of Notre Dame. It is my dad's *Alma Mater* and I have never been. We went on a good day because the campus was getting reading for a "game day weekend". The excitement on campus was tangible. It is unfortunate I have never been to a game, but now I have something on a bucket list! Anyways... we also went to the Basilica on campus. It is beautiful and like the older parishes, tells the story of salvation...and reveals through art and architecture who we are as a church, the bride of Christ. While we were walking along and touring the building, we ran into a tour guide and began to speak with her. Long story short, found out she was baptized in Minnesota and then moved to Mississauga Port Credit and made her first communion at St. Mary's! What a small world! She added me to her prayer list and I will remember her in my personal prayers.

Next week, I will be on the mandatory priest's seminar. You can guess what my blog will be about...

Fr Michael

FRONT STAIRCASE CLOSED FROM MONDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup> TO FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

Please use the side entrances on Peter St and John St to access the Church

## CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2025



"Registration for Confirmation is now open! Please see the Parent Information Package on the website for details to register and for the schedule <https://stmarystarofthesea.ca/confirmation>

## SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR WORLD MISSIONS - THIS WEEKEND

Envelopes are available at all the entrances/exits of the Church for a second collection to be taken up this weekend for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.

## SSVP LOONIE/TOONIE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!

This is the first time we have done this, and we are asking for your help, as we have been distributing considerably more money in gift cards and bus tickets for our Neighbours in Need than we have been receiving in donations. All of us are aware of the increased reliance on helping agencies such as ours, food banks and social services. St. Mary's parishioners have always been generous and supportive, and we appreciate any assistance you can provide. We invite you to put a loonie or toonie (or any amount) in one of the poor boxes (at each entrance) or to give your donation to one of our members at the Bundle Up truck. God bless you.

## SHARELIFE

**Our parish goal is \$108,000**  
**Thus far we have raised \$54,741 (51%)**

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or online at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

## SSVP HELP LINE

**For assistance, please call: 647-628-2058**  
Leave your name, phone number and a brief message and someone will get back to you at the earliest.

## SSVP BUNDLE UP THIS WEEKEND!

Donations received through the Bundle Up Collection provide the following:

- Merchandise for our retail outlets for voucher customers and the general public
- Clothing and footwear for persons in our Special Works
- Surplus materials to sell to wholesalers to assist in this operation and to support our Special Works

**We are focusing on the collection of textiles, shoes, clothing, bedding, draperies, and small household goods. No dishes, furniture or videos.**

The truck is in the parking lot and will be open all day on Saturday and Sunday. You may drop off donations any time. Saint Vincent de Paul members will be available before and after each Mass to greet you and assist. Your donations have a significant impact on fundraising and assisting our neighbours in need. Thank you.

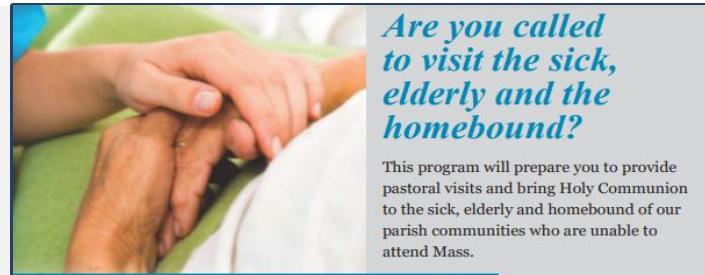
## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

**TABERNACLE**  
Michael Saunders  
In thanksgiving

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS**  
Michael Saunders  
For the souls in purgatory

**OUR BLESSED MOTHER**  
Michael Saunders  
In thanksgiving

**ST. JOSEPH**  
Michael Saunders



*Are you called  
to visit the sick,  
elderly and the  
homebound?*

This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass.

### Ministries of Care

## Lay Pastoral Visitors Training

Wednesday Evenings  
October 23 & 30  
November 6, 13, 20, 27, 2024  
7 to 8:30 p.m.



New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

There is no cost to attend but registration is required. Space is limited.

Participants are required to attend all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment to receive full training.

Register by October 22, 2024:  
[https://bit.ly/LPVT-  
RegisterOctNov2024](https://bit.ly/LPVT-RegisterOctNov2024)

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