

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary time

September 10, 2023



# ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2023 (5:00 PM)



Ezekiel 33:7-9 | Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 | Romans 13:8-10 | Matthew 18:15-20

†Stella & Alberto Severin

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 (9:00 AM) [No Livestream this Sunday](#)

For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 (11:00 AM)

Special intention of Ann Fernandes

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Colossians 1:24-2:3 | Psalm 62:6-7,9 | Luke 6:6-11

NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 (7:00 PM)

Colossians 2:6-15 | Psalm 145:1b-2,8-11 | Luke 6:12-19

Special intention of Louise Wilson

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023 (9:00 AM)

Colossians 3:1-11 | Psalm 145:2-3,10-13ab | Luke 6:20-26

†Secondo & Maria-Luisa Dalle Carbonare, †Joseph & Elizabeth Giraudi, †Souls in Purgatory and Sp. Int. of Emanuela Riddell

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 (9:00 AM) 11:28-30

Numbers 21:4b-9 | Ps 78:1bc-2,34-38 | Philippians 2:6-11 | John 3:13-17

†Elda Marcon

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 (9:00 AM)

1Timothy 1:1-2,12-14 | Psalm 16:1b-2a,5,7-8,11 | John 19:25-27

†Anthony Menezes

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 (10:00 AM)

1Timothy 1:15-17 | Psalm 113:1b-2,3-7 | Luke 6:43-49

†Christine Golec, †Anne Hendrick and Special intention of Renzo Zuccarelli

## EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Wed. & Thurs. 9:30 am - 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

Many thanks to Samantha for her lovely reflection on her experience at EDGE Camp. I echo her words at the end, if you know a middle school child who is interested in growing in their love of God through prayer and catechesis along with overcoming fears and being challenged in a team setting, think about this camp. It brings a smile to my face every time a child can boast about their encounter with God at Adoration or overcoming a fear of heights by taking a "leap of faith".

But...all good things must come to an end and that means summer break with all its camps, activities and free time. We now return to school with all its joys and hardships. We are certainly praying for all those making significant leaps in their education especially for those going into grade 9 at a new high school or for those going into their first semester at college/university.

Regardless of how old we are, we should never stop learning and being formed intellectually. I much prefer learning something because I want to learn and grow rather than learning in a classroom or educational institution. And there are so many ways that we can do that with the advances in technology. Podcasts, video tutorials, audiobooks, e-books all make learning and reading so much more accessible.

In the summertime I mentioned some movies that I watched and enjoyed. Now that we are back to school, here are some podcasts and books that I have been listening to/reading to help my mind be formed intellectually:

### **Pints with Aquinas** (You can access by podcast app or on youtube)

These interviews are quite lengthy, so save them for a long commute into work or break them up into bite sized chunks. The ones that have peaked my interest and would recommend to you are:

### **June 21st - Freedom After a Homosexual Lifestyle with Kim Zember**

When I preached last weekend about not conforming to the world but being transformed by the renewal of your mind, here is a woman who literally had that experience. It is honest, raw and vulnerable and gave me a lot of food for thought in ministry to those who experience Same-Sex Attraction.

### **June 23 - Catholic Infighting, Liturgy Wars, and Knowing Jesus with Michael Gormley**

If you follow Catholic news and everything that is happening within the Church, this is a great listen. Michael Gormley is a passionate guy and a great evangelizer who communicates the message of the Gospel so well.

### **August 10 - Real Life Exorcist Shares His Story with Father Carlos Martins**

If you have listened to the podcast, "The Exorcist Files" then this is a good follow up. I find that in this day and age, exploring how the evil one operates in our lives from the perspective of an exorcist will greatly assist us in the spiritual battle.

### **Understanding Gender Dysphoria By Mark A. Yarhouse** (Book/Audiobook)

Given the rise in this topic in the news and the experiences of ministry that have been shared with me by various priests, parents, teachers/principals, youth ministers, I figured it is time that I inform myself a little more into this topic to assist me in my ministry as a priest. I listened to it as an audiobook which was helpful. Only pitfall of the book is that it was written in 2015 and the cultural landscape has changed dramatically. However, the foundations and studies of the book provide a good introduction into the topic.

### **Living Beyond Sunday: Making Your Home a Holy Place by Adam and Haylee Minihan and David and Pamela Niles**

A short little book for any family that is getting back into the practice of the faith or a new family that is just beginning to grow the habits and virtues of family life. In all fronts, a good "Back to Basics" book that I would encourage any family to read and be formed into how to live as the domestic Church. (This book would have been a good resource when things were locked down and we talked a lot about the domestic Church...alas).

So there you have it, a little into my reading and learning. This also gives a glimpse into my mind and what I am thinking. Enjoy responsibly!

Fr Michael Simoes

## SSVP – AUGUST SUMMARY

Calls for help have increased this year, and in August, our members made 38 visits, distributing \$3700 in gift cards and \$217 in bus tickets. We inform our Neighbours in Need that what we give is due to your generosity. We also encourage them to use the services of the Compass.

Thank you for helping us.

## SSVP HELPLINE

**For assistance, please call:  
647-628-2058**

Leave your name, number and a brief message and someone will get back to you at the earliest.

## THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

### TABERNACLE

Special intention of Louise Wilson  
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### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Special intention of Yvonne Pereira  
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### OUR BLESSED MOTHER

In thanksgiving  
For the souls in purgatory

### ST. JOSEPH

In thanksgiving

## SHARELIFE

Many of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants – dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action.

We have currently raised **\$87,410 (69.9%)** towards our suggested goal of **\$125,000**

Please support our fight against hunger at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in our community and beyond.

## CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. MICHAEL & CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO

**Friday, September 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.  
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurković will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life, takes place between Sept. 27th and Nov. 5th, each day from 7:00am-7:00pm. Please join with 589 cities worldwide including 18 cities in Canada for a peaceful prayer vigil for pre-born children, on-site near the Mississauga abortion facility. 40 Days for Life Opening Mass will be held at St. Mary Star of the Sea on Sunday September 24th at 11:00 am. For more information go to the Right to Life Mississauga & Area website [www.righttolifemb.com/40daysforlife/](http://www.righttolifemb.com/40daysforlife/).

# LIFE CHAIN

On Sunday Oct. 1, Respect Life Sunday, the annual national Life Chain will also be taking place, in front of parishes and at key intersections in Mississauga & Brampton uniting with 300 sites across Canada to pray for our pre-born children, elderly and infirm. For more information, go to the Right to Life Mississauga & Area website [www.righttolifemb.com/life-chain/](http://www.righttolifemb.com/life-chain/)

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