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A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

*In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You
thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all
who struggle with hunger and want.*

Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.

*And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.*

Amen

MASS INTENTION

SATURDAY (October 12)

5:00 PM +Lucy & John Texeira,
+Maria Nguyen

SUNDAY (October 13)

7:30 AM For the Parish
Community

9:00 AM +Hernan Gonzales

11:00 AM +Jason Avelino Mistry,
Special intention of Samantha
Mistry

12:30 PM +Anthony Dias

MONDAY (October 14)

9:00 AM Thanksgiving of De Belen
Family

TUESDAY (October 15)

7:30 AM Thanksgiving of Ezekiel
Thomas, +Adoracion Doctor

WEDNESDAY (October 16)

7:00 PM + Rev. Pompeo De Mesa,
+Simeona Azanon, +Cecilia
Savelino

THURSDAY (October 17)

7:30 AM Open

FRIDAY (October 18)

7:00 PM +Virginia Borral

SATURDAY (October 19)

9:00 AM Open

5:00 PM +Exequiel Naje Sr., +Alex
San Diego

Offering a Mass is easy, just
approach the Parish Desk.

**CANADIAN THANKSGIVING
MASS WILL BE HELD ON
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14
AT 9 AM**



If you put yourself in the shoes of the young man in today’s gospel, what would be your version of the story? The young man has done all the right things since he was a kid. He was successful. In addition, he had power, position, and prestige and yet, it seems he felt something lacking - “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”, he asked Jesus. This question is not just about going to heaven. It is also about meaning.

I personally think that the young man is asking the wrong question. He is asking what must he do. I can’t blame him, because it has always been his life since the start - doing something is the secret of his success. I think that behind the question really is about what for. I think we all want our lives to matter not because of what we do but because of who we are. I think this is the really the subtext of this gospel story. What do you think?

What is the one thing that I do not have? The phrase “the one thing...” is actually repeated many times throughout scripture. In the Book of Psalms: “One things I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.” (Ps. 24). “Martha, Martha, you are worried about many things, there is need of only one thing and your sister Mary has found it and it will never be taken away from her.” So what do you think is the “one thing” in your life that is missing?



*With the explosion of colours all around us,
may your lives be filled with joy, gratitude and
all the blessings of the season!*

**A HAPPY CANADIAN
THANKSGIVING TO ALL
PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS**

SUNDAY OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,474.95
Building Fund	\$ 3,327.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 255.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 115.25
Wedding	\$ 500.00
Candle Offering	\$ 370.50
Flower	\$ 120.00
First Communion	\$ 315.00
Rectory Fund	\$ 290.00
Bishops’ Collection	\$ 35.00
Indigenous	\$ 1,341.30
Baptism	\$ 110.00
Parish Picnic	\$ 500.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 20.00
Confirmation	\$ 500.00
Total	\$ 10,984.00

PARISH HEAD COUNT

The Parish Head Count is counted once a year as mandated by the Archdiocese of Toronto. We will be doing this head count quietly and without fanfare at every Mass on the weekends of October 19/20 and October 26/27. Thank you for your cooperation.

Congratulations to our Altar Servers who are being honored this year for their service!

ALTAR SERVERS' AWARD
 Wester Pastoral Region
 Zones 7, 8, 10
 Saturday, October 26, 2024 at 10 AM.
 Our Lady of the Airways Parish
 7407 Darcel Ave.
 Mississauga, ON

COME AND SEE
 Discernment Weekend Retreat
 St. Augustine Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, Nov. 15 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, Nov. 17 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

REGISTRATION: Must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee
CONTACT: For more information, please email vocations@archtoronto.org.

**ANSWER THE CALL TO
 COMPASSION**

100,000 people in Toronto are expected to turn to food charities for the first time in 2024. Through our parish's support, ShareLife, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto and a generous anonymous donor are committing \$750,000 to fund food banks and meal programs throughout the archdiocese. Reaching our parish campaign goal will help to make these grants possible. We have currently raised [insert total raised] towards our suggested goal of [insert goal amount]. Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion.

**PONTIFICAL MISSION
 SOCIETIES**

Since 1922, the Pontifical Missions Societies through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith has supported the temporal needs of missions as well as created awareness of the work of the missions throughout the world. Some examples of projects include: building churches, pastoral centers, cathedrals damaged by tsunamis and earthquakes, religious houses of formation, homes for the clergy, formation programs for lay missionaries, radio and television production, audio-visual materials for remote mission areas as well as support of pastoral work in various rural dioceses. For more information, please visit the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: www.missionsocieties.ca

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
 October 19/20**

There will be a second collection today 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.

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**FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE
 PLANNING WEBINAR**
 Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

Send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar October 19" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



OCTOBER
 is the month of the Holy Rosary
 and of the Missions

**HOLY NAME OF MARY COLLEGE
 SCHOOL**

Join us at Holy Name of Mary College School's Open House event on Wednesday, October 23rd at 6:30 pm. Explore how our vibrant and progressive Catholic school for girls in Grades 5-12 ignites intellectual curiosity and fosters personal growth. Meet our dedicated faculty, tour our facilities, and learn about our rich educational programmes and co-curricular activities designed to broaden horizons and nurture future leaders. Register now at www.hnmcs.ca or call Giselle Fernandes at 905-891-1890, ext. 103.



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