

E-Newsletter/ Home Page/ Bulletin - Wednesday October 20, 2021

From the Desk of Fr Tim...

ShareLife – Triple Your Donations until November 15, 2021

Thank you to all those who have supported *ShareLife* this year! We have collected \$201,000 towards our parish goal of \$237,000.

As a special incentive to meet our goal we thank one of our parishioners who will match any new donations up to \$9,000...these matched donations will in turn be matched by a generous benefactor at the Archdiocesan level...resulting in a tripling of each dollar of new donations... and the reaching of our parish goal shortfall of \$36,000!

If you have yet to contribute to ShareLife or would like to make an additional donation, I invite you to do so before November 15 by placing your ShareLife envelope in the collection, or by donating online at www.sharelife.org.

Together, we are living the Gospel by providing for those in need! Thank you for your support.

Bible Study “Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible”

We will be having our registration evening for our next 8-week bible study from Ascension Press entitled “*Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*” on Thursday October 21 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Ascension Press is doing some exciting new things in bible study and faith resources, and we hope you will enjoy this study. Registration will be \$30 per person and materials will be provided, however the bible study itself will continue to be offered virtually through ZOOM. The study begins on Thursday October 28 and will end Thursday December 16.

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive, this weekend October 23/24

At each mass this weekend members of the Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Peace Council 8668 will be on hand to answer and questions about how to join our local Knights and enjoying spiritual fraternity as they reach out to those in our parish actively engaging in the corporal works of mercy.

I encourage all men of the parish to consider joining the Knights of Columbus and thank Grand Knight Mike Genua and my brother Knights for all their good work!

Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Food Drive *Thank you*

Thank you to all our parishioners who donated to the Thanksgiving Food Drive for the foodbank at the Salvation Army at Glen Erin and the Collegeway. Your generosity was greatly appreciated and will help people facing food insecurity.

Catholic Christian Pakistani Refugee Family Arriving Soon!

Younas Gill, his wife Saleema, adult sons Adeeb and Shan, daughter Sunena and her husband have been living in a refugee camp in Thailand since 2015 following death threats in Pakistan for standing up for the rights of Pakistani Christians. Our parish has agreed to sponsor them, and I am delighted that they are in the final stages of medical and security clearances before arriving in Canada within the next few months.

We thank an anonymous parishioner for providing for most of the finances needed to support this family, and we will be asking for help to furnish their home later (when the arrival date is clearer). At present we need parishioners to join our Refugee Committee to assist with the planning and welcoming of this family, and their orientation and adjustment to life in Canada. If you can assist, please leave a message at the parish office, or send an email to us...we are meeting virtually on October 27 to begin arrival planning.

An Evening with Deacon John Brown: *The Role of the Catholic Church in Indian Residential Schools* on Wednesday November 3 from 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

What were Indian Residential Schools? Why did they happen? How did they happen? What role did the Catholic Church play? How and why is this dark chapter in our history continuing to impact Indigenous people today? What should we do?

Deacon John, whose family on his father's side is Sto:lo from the Fraser River valley in B.C., will address these questions, and your questions, in an informative and interactive session on Wednesday November 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Please book using *Eventbrite* at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/an-evening-with-deacon-john-brown-tickets-190438726357>

Limit 60 participants, with a waiting list (in case of cancellations or the scheduling of a 2nd presentation date).

Eternal Rest Grant unto Them O Lord

Beginning on All Souls Day (Tuesday November 2) and each weekend mass throughout the month of November the Church's tradition of praying for our deceased relatives and friends will be observed at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish by the offering of all Saturday evening and Sunday Masses for our beloved relatives and friends.

Again, this year you are asked to record the names of those you wish us to remember at Mass in November on the envelopes provided for that purpose (available at the doors of the church) and to place your envelope in the basket near the altar beginning on the weekend of October 30/31, where this Basket of Remembrance will remain throughout November.

If you are not currently attending mass in person, please send the names of your loved ones to the parish office and our staff will ensure that these names are also placed in the Basket of Remembrance.

Please note that no offering is required - we are much more interested in recording the names of those you wish remembered at mass! However, any donations are received they will be used to support our Pakistani Christian Refugee family (see above).

All Souls Day Masses on Tuesday November 2 at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

We will celebrate All Souls Day with masses at 9 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to be offered for our beloved deceased relatives and friends. While both masses will be livestreamed into the parish hall (for extra on-site capacity) the 9:00 a.m. mass will also be livestreamed to the parish website for all those joining us from home.

Livestream of Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass

For those not comfortable or able to return to mass quite yet we continue to encourage you to view the livestream of our Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass via our new parish website:

<https://stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org> .

Healing Retreat – Journeying through the Challenges of Living and Dealing with Cancer

This retreat will be held in-person at Queen of Apostles Retreat House, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga on Thursday November 11 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Cost \$40 per person. To register call, please call, (905) 278-5229 or office@qoa.ca .

Society of St Vincent de Paul “Bundle Sunday”

The SSVp will be holding a Bundle Sunday on October 30/31 in the front parking lot. You may drop off your gently used clothing and household items before and after all weekend masses. Volunteers will be happy to assist you!

Your Financial Support is Appreciated

Thank you once again for your generosity and support of our parish community and ShareLife as we return to church, especially by placing your envelope in the offertory basket before mass or mailing in your donations, or donating via Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG forms available through parish website) or by credit card, or single or monthly donations through the “Donate now” button (at www.archtoronto.org or through our parish website www.stignatiusloyolami.archtoronto.org).

Free Webinar: Estate Planning from A Catholic Perspective

Please join us virtually on Saturday, November 13 at 9:00 a.m. and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney and Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation facilitated by the Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team and Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services. A FREE estate planning guide will be mailed to attendees.

To register: development@archtoronto.org . Please include ‘webinar on November 13’ in the subject line and provide your name and mailing address in the body of a message.

Thought for the Day

Vocation...everyone has one. What's yours?