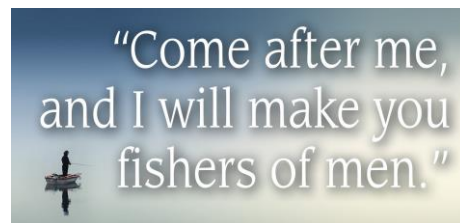


3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THIS WEEKEND

Saturday January 20th

4 pm + Souls in Purgatory

Sunday January 21st

9 am ** Speedy Recovery of Brock MacDonald
11 am + Adrian VanMil & all + Family Souls



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Jonah 3: 1~5, 10

Psalms 25: Lord, make me know your ways

Second Reading: Corinthians 7: 29~31

Gospel: Mark 1: 14~20



When St. Paul wrote that the present world is passing away, he believed Jesus would return within his lifetime. Two thousand years later, we know St. Paul was wrong but not his approach. We do not know how many hours or days we will be given in this life. Every day we get closer to our meeting Jesus. The Kingdom of God is near, and when you feel that twinge of God's invitation to change (to go to bed on time, to speak kindly, to apologize, to nourish your body, or to quit telling lies of

omission, for example), stop putting it off till tomorrow. Start now. When you fail, start again. Our own strength can fail us, but God is doing the heavy lifting. Our culture tells us that once we've messed it up, it's probably not worth fixing. Jesus tells us to come and follow Him – again and again.

ARCHDIOCESE MARRIAGE SUNDAY

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place **at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto).**

COUNTDOWN TO LENT



Lent begins on February 14th (Valentine's Day). Lent is a time of repentance, change of heart, and prayer. Through forty days of closer attention to God's word and of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery.

On Ash Wednesday, ashes will be distributed at both a 9:15 am and 6:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome and encouraged to attend! **Ash Wednesday is also a Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.**

REMINDER: Friday's during Lent Mass is in the evening at 6:00 pm followed by Stations of the Cross.

PARISH COMMUNITY SACRAMENTS

Confirmation: The next class is on Wednesday January 24th @ 4:30pm in the parish hall.

First Holy Communion: The first class will be on Sunday February 25th after Mass.

BIBLE STUDY

ALPHA IN A CATHOLIC CONTEXT COURSE

St. Joseph Parish will be hosting an Alpha Course. This course is an 11-week long series in which the faithful can learn about and deepen their faith in Jesus Christ in a friendly group environment. The first class will be on **Thursday February 1st @ 6:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. We will gather for snacks, followed by a video from the series, a discussion and prayer. Please feel free to invite others from our community to attend. All are welcome! **Facilitator** ~ Mr. Steven Marischuk

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On **Sunday February 11th**, following the 11:00 am Mass, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake brunch. Please join us for a celebration before Lent begins. *A free will offering is appreciated.*

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday February 22nd at 7:00pm, the KOC will host their Trivia Night in the

parish hall. We look forward to some great trivia questions from our moderator Bro. Kirk Schuller. Entry fee is \$5.00. Random teams of 4 or 5 per table will be assigned, depending on the numbers.

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

January	Time	Mass for
Tuesday 23 rd	6:00 pm	** Good health of Natty
Wed. 24 th	6:00 pm	+ Margarita Amoya
Thurs. 25 th	6:00 pm	** Good health of the Maier Family
Friday 26 th	9:15 am	+ Souls of all the Priests
Saturday 27 th	4:00 pm	Pro Populo
Sunday 28 th	9:00 am	+ Patrick & +Bernadette Bryson
	11:00 am	+ Cullen Family Souls

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Jean Adams, Colleen Andrews, Irene Cantwell, Colette Bryson, Barry Giblin, Donna Giblin, John Kearsley, Richard Kloefer, Brock MacDonald, Ralph Slaney, Rosemary Thompros, Marie Vandenberg & all the sick of the parish.

DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Building Fund	\$ 425.00
Calendars	41.00
Food Bank	50.00
Initial Offering	30.00
Sunday Envelopes	1,012.10
& Loose	

We thank all who are donating online or electronically and we Thank you for your kind & Generous donation!