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Thanksgiving

Be joyful always

Pray continually

Give thanks for everything.

Monday, October 12th

8:30am NO MASS

Wednesday, October 14th

12:15pm + Neil Brown

Thursday, October 15th

12:15pm + Mario Veltri, + Peter Bavaro,
+ Kevin Kennedy

Friday, October 16th

12:15pm + Margaret Southern

Saturday, October 17th

5:00pm + Ariel Aquino

Sunday, October 18th

9:00am + Daniel MacDonald

11:00am + Severino Pulla
+ Melvyn Fernandez

6:15pm For Our Parish Community

PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM 2026

Thank you to all who supported and donated such wonderful, thoughtful gifts in support of this program. With the many donations of items we will be able to send many Christmas envelopes to the schools in Northern Ontario that request them for the children.

NEW FLOORING

We are very pleased and thankful to have been able to replace the flooring in many area's of the parish this past summer. Please take great care when in the hall to protect the floors by lifting chairs, tables etc. Do not scrape along the floor. Also, if anything spills, it is important to wipe it up immediately. Thanks for helping to keep the floors in great shape.

Calling ALL Moms!

Join a Virtual Catholic Moms Prayer Group
Pray the Rosary with us twice a month LIVE on Zoom Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 8:00pm

REGISTER at www.CatholicMomsGroup.com

**THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH FOR THE
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**



Adult Faith Formation

The Pivotal Players – Volume 1

Join us in the Parish Hall OR via ZOOM on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 pm starting October 15 and ending Thursday, December 3rd. Each evening we enjoy an engaging video presentation, lively discussion, fellowship and treats. The highly recommended but optional Study Guide is \$40. Please register via the Parish website or after one of the weekend Masses. For more information, please contact Beth Cook at bethcook905@outlook.com.

Day of Reflection and Prayer for the Bereaved Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, ON

Saturday, October 31, 9:15am - 5:00pm

“Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?” Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey.

Facilitated by: Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland
Suggested Offering: \$75 per person (includes lunch)
Please contact: Mary Hyland - 905-441-0957

World Mission Sunday Special Collection, October 18

Pontifical Missions Societies through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith support the temporal needs of missions throughout the world. Some examples 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

LEGION OF MARY

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It would be a great blessing to have you with us as we celebrate the 105th Anniversary of the Legion of Mary. We invite all members to join us on **Saturday, October 17, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass**, for a time of fellowship in the parish hall as we celebrate the Marian Month together. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you .

Knights of Columbus

**Knights General meeting will take place on:
Sunday, October 18th 7:30 pm in the parish hall**

BOTTLE DRIVE – OCTOBER 24/25th

A trailer will be available in the parking lot to collect bottles, beer cans and pop cans, following the 5pm, 9am and 11am masses.

Turn Your Everyday Shopping into Support

Did you know you can purchase the **same gift cards you already use at your favourite retailers** through FundScrip — and help support **St. Gertrude's Knights of Columbus** at the same time?

FundScrip lets you purchase gift cards for everyday purchases like groceries, gas, restaurants, clothing and more. **You pay \$100 and receive a \$100 gift card to spend at the retailer as you normally would.** The difference is that the participating retailer provides a percentage of the purchase as a donation to St. Gertrude's Knights of Columbus.

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How to get started: Visit **FundScrip.com**

Click **"Support Your Group"**

Enter invitation code **7HUQ7X**

Register and start purchasing gift cards!

Thank you for helping turn everyday purchases into support for our parish and community!

LADIES POTLUCK LUNCH

The next luncheon will be on Saturday, October 17th at 1:00pm in the parish hall. Please join for some fellowship.

LECTOR TRAINING

Saturday, October 24th at 1:30pm in the parish hall. New and current lectors are encouraged to attend. Please contact Beth Cook at bethcook905@outlook.com with any questions.

USE OF PARISH HALL AND KITCHEN

As many of our programs have now started back up we must remind everyone of the importance of leaving the spaces clean and tidy. Please take garbage out to the bin, do not leave any dishes in the sink to dry, clean the floor and countertops and remove your items from the fridges. Please do not use the serving door unless necessary. It is fine to leave it in the up position to avoid damaging it going up and down. Also, remember to check bathrooms to ensure no taps are dripping or toilets running. Thanks for your attention to keeping our spaces clean.

ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY!

The children's Liturgy and Choir programs present their first All Saints Day Party

Sunday, November 1st after the 11am Mass

Costume Party: Children are invited to dress up as their favourite Saint (or any Saint) and participate in the All Saints Musical Parade showcasing their costumes, play games, trivia & activities. Prizes for best costumes based on why they chose their Saint!

Families are invited to participate in a Saint-inspired Potluck! Bring a dish that connects to your Saint's country or patronage.

A sign up sheet will be coming soon, placed at the entrance doors of the Church. Join us for a day of faith, fun and fellowship! Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints!

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBINARS

Liturgical Ministries: Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

This webinar is for new and experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who serve in parishes at Sunday or weekday liturgies. It is designed to provide practical training for service in this ministry and will offer helpful tips for spiritual preparation.

DATE: Tuesday, October 20, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/EMHCW-Register2026>

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org or 437-900-4287

Liturgical Ministries: Formation for Lectors

This webinar is for new and experienced lectors, those serving at Sunday or weekday liturgies and for RCIA team members. It is designed to provide practical training for service in this ministry and will offer helpful tips for spiritual preparation.

DATE: Wednesday, October 21, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/L-Register2026> CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org or 437-900-4287

Please remember your God, your Faith, and your Parish in your will.

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