

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

THE ROCK

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church... Matthew 16:18

One late Sunday afternoon, I was surprised to look out a window and see a stranger dropping off my teen son with his bike, a towel wrapped around his arm. Riding with friends, he'd had a fall, and the brother of one of the friends came and got him.

He stood in the bathroom and gingerly unwrapped the towel. I had peroxide and bandages ready, but I took one quick look at the gaping wound on his elbow and said, "This is too much for me. We're going to the ER." And I was right. The wound ended up being rather complex, and closing it required stitches. An orthopedist on call made sure no grit had gotten to the bone or tendon level. It was, indeed, too much for me.

So it is with faith and all of its mysteries. I am graced to be created in God's image with the freedom to be in communion with the Lord. But I can't answer all the questions. I can't fix all the wounds. I'm just a small part of this Church built on the rock – and I need it.

Amy Welborn

From: Living Faith

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As we come to the end of the summer schedule, we are happy to remind you of our **Parish Office Business Hours**:

Monday – Friday 9:00am – 12noon, 1:00 – 5:00pm

Evening Receptionist (effective Sept. 13th)

Monday & Wednesday 5:00 – 8:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 13th – 8:20am

† EILEEN WAN

Requested by Emma & Vito Wong

Wednesday, September 15th – 7:00pm

† MARCELINA MARQUEZ

Requested by Lilia Marquez

Thursday, September 16th – 8:20am

† MARCO GENERAO, SR.

Requested by the family

Friday, September 17th – 8:20am

THANKSGIVING MASS

Requested by Tellis family

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. Sept. 12 **24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

Mon. Sept. 13 **Parish Office** – Evening Receptionist

Resumes Monday & Wednesday 5:00 – 8:30pm

Sun. Sept. 19 **25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- "Stewardship Sunday" in Archdiocese, message from Cardinal Collins

- **41st Annual Terry Fox Run** across Canada!

Mon. Sept. 20 **FEDERAL ELECTION**

- "Time to get out and vote"!

- **71st Parish Anniversary**

St. Margaret of Scotland Parish established 1950

Thur. Sept. 23 **7:00pm FINANCE COUNCIL** meet for planning session

Sun. Sept. 26 **26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Guest homilist: Fr. Ray Douziech. C.Ss.R.

- **Annual Collection for the Canadian Church**

Thur. Sept. 30 **NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

Day for prayers, reflection and education

Sun. Oct. 3 **27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Homilist: Fr. Andy Macbeth

- **2ND SHARELIFE INSTALMENT COLLECTION**

- **NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY** across Canada

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 29, 2021

Offerory	\$4,094	PAG	\$963.75
Budget	\$8,300.00		(\$3,242.25)

BUNDLE UP FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, linen, toys (new or nearly new) and household to share with others.

St. Eugene's September 11 – 12

St. Margaret's October 2 – 3

A St. Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate & sell these donations to support our outreach efforts. Thank you for your continued support.

The container will be open all day Saturday and all day Sunday until 4:00pm. Volunteers will assist with the loading before and after each Saturday & Sunday Masses.

Note: We do **NOT** accept appliances, furniture, books, mattresses, construction materials, cassettes, or dishes.

RE-SCHEDULING CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENTS FROM 2020 & 2021

For all families, whose children were to celebrate sacraments in 2020 or 2021, this is to let you know that, we are starting to make plans for the **Fall of 2021** and the **Spring of 2022**.

It is **very important**, for all families concerned, to have completed a **Registration Form** for each particular sacrament, **including your email address!** Beginning in late August, we will be forwarding information to all registered families, via your email address.

NB If your child, has not already completed the necessary registration forms for: **Confirmation in 2020, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation in 2021, you need to contact the parish office, as soon as possible**, to have your email on our list, for the upcoming information.

TERRY FOX RUN FOR CANCER RESEARCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

"WORKING TOGETHER TO OUTFRAN CANCER"



Unfortunately, after many years Fr. Andy will not be participating in the Terry Fox Run. So he will not be asking for any sponsor. Once again Fr. Andy wants to thank all those who sponsored him over these past years! However, The **TERRY FOX RUN** continues and you can still share in Terry's Dream to find a cure for cancer.

There are number of RUNS throughout the Toronto area and there are pledge forms available at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to participate. **For info or to donate:**

☎ (416) 924-8252

@ Ontario@terryfoxrun.org 🖨 Terryfoxrun.org

FEDERAL ELECTION RESOURCES FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

With a federal election scheduled for September 20, Catholics are encouraged to learn more about the parties and candidates seeking our vote. Catholic Conscience is Canada's non-partisan Catholic civic and political engagement organization. They have prepared a number of resources that will assist Catholics in voter education and engagement in the days leading up to the federal election. These resources can be accessed at: www.catholicconscience.org/Canada-federal-current. All those eligible to vote are encouraged to do so on, or before, **September 20, 2021**.

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM 2021-2022

This program is for **Catholic students** who are **not attending** Catholic Schools who wish to receive any Sacraments in the coming year. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic restrictions, the parish can only offer 2 preparation classes:

**First Reconciliation & First Eucharist for Grade 2 and up
Confirmation for Grade 7 and up**

Saturday classes 10:00 – 11:30am in the parish hall, will start on **Oct. 16th**. Students will be required to wear masks. Families need to register in the parish office with a copy of the child's **Catholic Baptismal Certificate**, before **but no later than Friday, Oct. 1st**

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021

Living the Gospel by supporting residents of long-term care

The Houses of Providence in Scarborough is a ShareLife-funded agency that provides long-term care for seniors. "It's been hard during COVID-19," says Mary, one of its residents, "but we understand the precautions that staffs are taking. Providence staffs have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job. I thank them every time I see them for their hard work." Did you know that you can contribute to ShareLife agencies like the Houses of Providence through Pre-Authorized Giving? Please consider making a monthly contribution to ShareLife using PAG.

October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

Donations to date \$86,859

Goal for 2021 \$150,000

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS 2021-2020

CONFIRMATION

Registration Forms to Candidates

St. Margaret's - Wed. Sept. 29th 2021

PHCP - Sat. Oct. 2nd 2021

Information/Registration Meeting (For ALL candidates with their parents or guardians)

Thurs. Oct. 21st at 7:30pm in church

- **Received:** Registration Forms & Baptismal Certificates
- **Distributed:** Pack of documents & form for Rite of Enrolment

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Registration Forms to Candidates

St. Margaret's - Wed. Sept. 29th 2021

PHCP - Sat. Oct. 2nd 2021

Information/Registration Meeting (For parents or guardians of all candidates)

Mon. Nov. 1st at 7:30pm in church

Catechetical Session: (Fr. Andy) - For parents or guardians of all candidates

Thurs. Nov. 25th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall

(Parents' resource book for purchase \$10)

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF – NATURAL DISASTERS IN HAITI

The Archdiocese of Toronto has opened a humanitarian relief fund to assist Haiti, which in recent days has been stricken by a 7.2 magnitude earthquake and a tropical storm.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations through Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of Catholic humanitarian organizations with a long history of disaster relief. Caritas is already on the ground assisting Haitians, as it has been when other disasters have struck that country. Donations to Caritas will be used for food, water, shelter, clothing and medical supplies.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

Name of Parish – Natural Disasters in Haiti – Disaster Relief

Please continue to pray for the people of Haiti and all those who suffer after natural disasters. Thank you for your continued assistance.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in September 2021 and supports the bulletin service.

Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call **Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422**.

CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS

- ☺ That moment when you walk into a spider web suddenly turns you into a karate master.
- ☺ Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life outta nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.
- ☺ The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

