



BLESSED FRÉDÉRIC OZANAM

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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Weekday Mass

Wednesdays

8:45am

St. Brother Andre Catholic High School
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Sunday Mass 10:00am & 12:00pm

St. Joseph Elementary School
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Pastor

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“The question which is agitating the world today is a social one. It is a struggle between those who have nothing and those who have too much. It is a violent clash of opulence and poverty which is shaking the ground under our feet. Our duty as Christians is to throw ourselves between these two camps in order to accomplish by love, what justice alone cannot do.”

– Frédéric Ozanam

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 22, 2017

GRATITUDE
THANKFULNESS
APPRECIATION

Dear Friends,
I was honoured and overwhelmed by your presence, love, and support last Sunday, as we celebrated my Installation as your pastor

with Bishop Kirkpatrick and my brother priests. I am grateful to be part of this newly formed family of faith; for the generosity of all of you who came to share in this special moment; the time and love of so many volunteers who worked behind the scenes to help prepare the church or prepare food and treats for the reception. I would like to thank all the musicians, ushers, eucharistic ministers, lectors and in particular, I would like to thank and welcome our newly formed group of altar servers. I hope that this becomes your second home, your parish family.

You know, one of my favorite books is called ~The Gift of Peace~ by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin. In it, he eloquently writes:

“Jesus, the Good Shepherd, the model for all my ministry, is the one who lays down his life for his people. Some live this calling literally shedding their blood as martyrs. Others live it in the unstinting giving of their time, their energy, their very selves to those they have been called to serve. Whatever the future holds for me, I pledge this day to live as a good shepherd who willingly lays down his life for you...I give myself to you. I offer you my service and leadership, my energies, my gifts, my mind, my heart, my strength, and yes, my limitations. I offer you myself in faith, hope and love.”

As we journey together as a family of faith, I make these words my own. Christ is our beacon of light, our Morning Star. Come, let us follow Him! *Fr. Joseph*

VOLUNTEER CATECHISTS NEEDED



We are looking for people to assist in preparing the Confirmandi to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please consider becoming a catechist to help our Confirmandi in their faith journey. Classes will run once a week for 6-8 weeks in the Spring during school hours. If you are interested or would like more information

on our program, please call Fr. Joseph at 289-554-0556 or email office@blessedozanam.ca. This is a wonderful opportunity for student teachers or supply teachers.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS – CHRIST THE KING



Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families to participate in the All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday November 4, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Masses will be held indoors at Christ the King Cemetery,

7770 Steeles Avenue East, Markham, **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT CEREMONY

THE ENROLLMENT CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE AT:
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017
10AM OR 12:00PM (NOON) MASS

**ST. KATERI
TEKAKWITHA CES** **WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 25, 2017 @ 7:00PM**

THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SCHOOL.
PLEASE BRING YOUR CONFIRMANDI TO THE MEETING.

If your child is in Grade 7 and you missed the parent meetings this past week, **OR**, if you have a child in Grade 7 that is attending a Private, Public or French Immersion school, please attend the Confirmation meeting at St. Kateri listed above for a Confirmation registration package. **Please note the deadline for Confirmation registrations is October 31st.**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE



"Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner: it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us just as we are. Is going to confession like a torture session? No! It is going to praise God, because I, a sinner, have been saved by Him. And is He waiting to beat me? No, he waits with tenderness to forgive me. And if tomorrow I do the same? Go again, and go and go and go. He always waits for us." – (Pope Francis) **Fr. Joseph will be available to hear confessions every Sunday from 9:00AM - 9:30AM at St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School.**



"Give ... to God the things that are God's." That includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? **Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org.** Visit the vocations website: www.vocationstoronto.ca.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING



Did you know that aside from offertory, you can also support the building of our new church through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG?). Next week, a staff member from the Development Office of the

Archdiocese will visit to tell you more about this new way to give. PAG allows you to support our parish continuously—a benefit to the parish as we are in the process of building our church. PAG enrollment forms will be made available as well. If you are ready to sign up, please bring a void cheque with you next week. For information, please call our parish office.