

Sunday April 7, 2024 - Divine Mercy Sunday

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WEEKLY BULLETIN



ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

Banns for Ordination

Michael Carrera is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto on May 25, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral.

Please remember him in your prayers. Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.



Keeping Michael Carrera in Prayer as he prepares for Ordination to the Diaconate

Michael Carrera and his family have been parishioners at St. Benedict Parish for over two decades. Michael has a Masters Degree in Exercise Science and has worked as a Fitness Coach for more than 25 years. He is an author and co-author of 4 books in the areas of sports conditioning, fitness and catholic spirituality. Two of his books have been translated into multiple languages. He publishes short videos on Catholic spirituality on Instagram @freedombench.

Calling All Moms!

Our next gathering is on

Wednesday April 10 @ 7:00 pm

Discussion: Materialism vs. Motherhood

In our modern technology-driven world we have gone from forging relationships face-to-face to living behind screens and following the seemingly beautiful lives others present to us. What is important and how do we get back to being authentic?

Come for prayer, catechesis, and fellowship.

RSVP and questions: rema@catholicmomsgroup.com

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Catholic Moms Group.com
LOVE. LAUGHTER. MOMENTS OF GRACE.

Celebration of Life Mass

Tuesday April 23 / 7:30 pm



All parishioners are invited to a Celebration of Life Mass with families who celebrated a Mass of Christian burial or a Memorial Mass for a loved one in our parish over the past year.

"I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in me will live, even though they die"
Jn 11:25



Divine Mercy Sunday: April 7

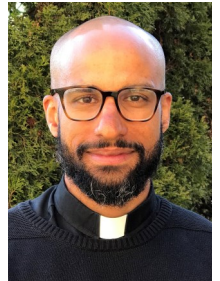
Divine Mercy Holy Hour
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm in church

"I will not allow myself to be so absorbed in the whirlwind of work as to forget about God. I will spend ... free moments at the feet of the Master hidden in the Blessed Sacrament."

Sr. Faustina

*Happy Birthday
Fr. Branden!*

As Fr. Branden Gordon celebrates another year of life on April 10, we praise God for the blessing of his life and ministry here among us.
Birthday Blessings!



The Visitation

Friday April 12 / 7pm in Church

Join us for a prayerful evening of adoration with praise & worship led by youth.

Priests available for the sacrament of reconciliation.

Following adoration, gather in the parish hall for Mamma's House: a time for fellowship, fun, and light refreshments. **Come with your family.**

SARAH MARCHACK



TORONTO
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FRIDAY APRIL
19TH, @ 7 PM

Hawthorn School for Girls,
101 Scarsdale Rd, North York, Toronto

ADMISSION:

Tickets:

Pre-sale \$20 - At the door \$25

Children Free | Free parking!

Presale starts on March 23rd

Reserve your seat by emailing

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April 28
ShareLife Sunday

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$55,500

Your ShareLife gift is a lifeline to families in need

Many individuals and families silently suffer from depression, anxiety, grief and trauma. ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services agencies provide a lifeline to those dealing with mental health challenges.

"Your generosity allows us to assist some of the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our community. Without access to free support, they would be left alone and unable to get the help they need. Each donation impacts a life for the better. Thank you." – Elizabeth Pierce, Catholic Family Services of Durham

Thus far we have raised **[insert total raised]** toward our goal of \$55 500. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Fr. John McCarthy, SJ

APRIL 26 - 28, 2024

Do Monkeys Go to Heaven?
The Beauty and Wisdom of Faith and Science

There persists a seemingly widespread notion that religious faith and empirical science must, by necessity, be in conflict. Properly understood, science and religion are not in conflict but act as fruitful partners in a healthy dialogue that seeks the truth of the fullness of human experience. Placing biological evolution in dialogue with the Christian theology of creation, we will examine the wisdom and beauty of the dance of science and faith.

Suggested Offering: \$ 250.00 pp This includes your two night's accommodation, meals, retreat program and spiritual direction.

Register online at: manresa-canada.ca OR
email: registration@manresa.ca

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2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON L1X 1V4
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Fr. McCarthy joined the Society of Jesus in 1983 and holds advanced degrees in Theology. He also holds a PhD in Boreal Forest Ecology, a Masters in Soil Science and a BSc in Forest Tree Biology. He currently works as "visiting scholar" at the herbarium, Department of Biology, Laurentian University.

Last Week's Collection

Holy Thursday Offering (envs & loose only):	\$2,828
Good Friday Offering (envs & loose only):	\$4,474
Easter Sunday Offering (envs & loose only):	\$9,529
Sunday Offering (envs & loose only):	\$8,341

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

To request a mass intention, contact Susan:
speresso@stbenedicts.ca/416-743-3830 X0

Monday, April 8

8:00am In Thanksgiving to St Anthony of Padua by Bianca Sassi

Tuesday, April 9

8:00am Maria & Piotro Wojdat by Marcelli family
7:30pm Natale & Teresa Clemente by Maria

Wednesday, April 10

8:00am Susan D'Souza by D'Souza family

Thursday, April 11

8:00am Jozo Lozancic by Mirjana Barisic

Friday, April 12

8:00am Jozo Lozancic by Mara

Saturday, April 13

8:00pm Mae & Ken Sutton by Sutton family
5:00pm Maria Bucci by Lena Bucci

Sunday, April 14

8:00am For the People
9:30am Deceased members of the Di Francesco & DeLuca families
by Santina Di Francesco & families (Ital/Ch)
9:30am Chinemerem Nwosu by The CFD Group (Eng/Hall)
11:00am Marcella & Domenico Simone by family
12:45pm Manuel Fernandez-Gocotano
by Fernandez, Gocotano & Clarke families

Pray for the Sick

Frank Losiggio, Mary Lynne Gallagher, Lois McDowell,
Fr. Frank Kelly, SDB, Lidia Scaccia, Cathy Proietti,
Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreira, Steve Cawthorne
& Assunta Di Felice

Parishioners wishing prayer from our parish family are
asked to call Susan Peresso: 416-743-3830



Pray for the Dead
Mary Theresa McGourty

Gifts of Securities

Securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds)

Donating shares or mutual funds is currently the smartest way to give in Canada. When you donate shares to a registered charity, there is no capital gains tax applied to any benefit received from the sale of these securities.



To donate listed securities, you can obtain our form, the Letter of Direction from your parish office or download a copy from the archdiocesan website: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/social-justice--outreach/development-and-sharelife/home/gifts-of-securities/>

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