

**Teach me
Your ways,
O Lord . . .**

The blind beggar in this week's gospel reading knew exactly what he wanted and was not afraid to do everything in his power to reach out for help. We are told that on following Jesus he cast off the cloak of his former lifestyle. Maybe we need to abandon the trappings of our present behavior, which is preventing us from seeing others as our brothers and sisters and living the Christian life fully! Our blindness remains because we haven't the honesty to admit we are hurting or the humility to ask for healing. The good news is that Christ is always passing by, ready to hear our call and willing to answer our plea for help.



Mass Intentions

Monday	Departed Soul
Tuesday	Souls of Thomas Joseph Donnelly, Helmet Klein, Elizabeth and Joseph Gatti and Tanto Sutikno
Wednesday	Mass of Thanksgiving
Thursday	Soul of Isa Qualela
Friday	No morning Mass – All Souls Day Evening Mass

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE
SIGNING CAMPAIGN

In the last decade, a growing number of people around the world have been forced to flee their homes and cannot return home. Today, 68.5 million people are living in forced displacement – the highest level in modern history

The war in Syria and Iraq has been a major factor of forced migration but many other countries such as Burma (also called Myanmar), Afghanistan and some African countries have become unsafe. St. Luke's has sponsored many refugees from Syria and Iraq, including two full sponsorships. Permanent resettlement is one solution but it can't be the only solution.

Development & Peace works on the ground with organizations around the world to provide for the most urgent needs of those impacted by some of the worst forced migration crises in the world today. Protecting and caring for displaced people when they escape to safer regions or countries is essential and is the responsibility that all countries share. However, in addition to humanitarian work to protect and assist refugees there is also the need to address the root causes of this forced migration.

Some of the root causes are Violence, armed conflict, persecution based on religion or ethnicity, extreme poverty, and environmental causes such as drought, famine, natural disasters, including climate change are root causes and major factors that drive people from their homes, communities and countries.

The main call to action for the D&P signing campaign this year is the signing of an Action card that will send a clear message to the Canadian government that it must do more to tackle the root causes of forced migration – of refugees fleeing their country of origin. We cannot turn our back on the increasing number of refugees. Addressing root causes is one way to help.

Please sign the D & P Action card on Sat/Sun Nov 10/11.

Natalie Doucet

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

October 28, 2018

All Souls Day

Feast of all Souls

On Friday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. the parish will join in the celebration of the feast of All Souls. It is a time to remember and make present our deceased family members and once more entrust them into the loving care of our God.

The names of those who have died since last November 1st 2017 will be mentioned in a special way. Our deceased parishioners who were buried from St. Luke's, will be automatically included.

If a family member or friend was buried from another parish, **within the past year**, and you would like them remembered, please call the parish office at ext. 221 or e-mail st.lukesparish@rogers.com with their names. **All names should be in by Tuesday, afternoon, October 30th.**

All Souls envelopes are provided in the pews for intentions at the November 2nd Mass. After All Souls Day the envelopes will be placed near the altar during the month of November.



BUNDLE UP for **SAINT VINCENT de PAUL**

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to Saint Vincent de Paul's Bundle -Up days last weekend. Your donations will be a great help in our efforts to assist our neighbors in need. Also a heartfelt thanks to the volunteers who loaded up the truck-*you made this possible.*

THANK YOU!!!

OUT OF THE COLD **VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP** **Sat/Sun Oct. 27/28 & Nov. 3/4** ***In the Narthex***

Sadly this Program is still necessary and it would not happen without the generosity of time and talent from St. Luke's parishioners. Please sign-up .



BINGO NIGHT ***Saturday, October 27th*** ***6:30 pm – Parish Hall***

Are you looking for a fun social activity to do on a Saturday evening? Come to St. Luke's Bingo Night on Saturday, October 27th at 6:30 pm.

There is no entrance fee but donations will be welcomed. *This is an initiative of the CWL and Knights of Columbus.*

CONFIRMATION PARENT **INFORMATION SESSION**

When: Thursday, November 15th. 7:00 pm-7:45pm.

Where: St. Luke's Church Sanctuary

Contact: Greg Garda, Youth Minister. Email:

SaintLukesYM@Gmail.com OR 905-881-2786 ex.232.

Families who are seeking to have their children Confirmed in the 2018-2019 school year are invited to join Greg Garda on **Thursday, November 15th at 7pm** in the church for a Parent Information Meeting. At this meeting we will cover the parish and school approach to Confirmation this year, important dates to keep in mind, and address questions from families. Parents are invited to register their child(ren) at <http://tiny.cc/SaintLukesConfirmation>.

THE 28TH ANNUAL MASS OF MEMORY **ST. PAUL'S BASILICA**

Sunday, October 28, 2018 at 3:00 pm

Sacred/Celtic Music Prelude by:

The Irish Choral Society of Canada 2:30 pm

All those who have passed away this year will be remembered in a special way. If you would like to have their name read out at the mass please call or email with their name and city/country they were born in. For information call Mairead 416 264-5363 mss015@bell.net or Colette 416 651-3953 colpat30hillary@yahoo.ca

Reception to follow, downstairs in the Basilica Hall.