

St. Luke's Parish

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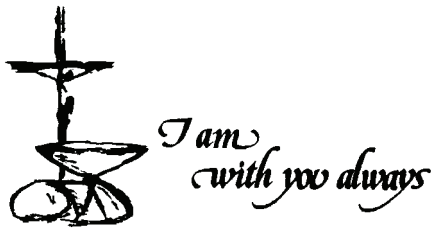
Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M.
 Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.
 Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 8:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.
 Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - 7:00 P.M.
 Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after Devotions
 Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30-4:00 (905) 881-2786

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Name	Phone.....
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Children & Dates of Births:	
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Change of Address <input type="checkbox"/>	Moving out of Parish <input type="checkbox"/>



Sometimes it feels like only other people (maybe even only those in Bible stories) get messages from God. But Moses promises that God will speak through people, while Paul reminds us that anxiety is not God’s plan for any of us. Jesus casts out a demon, and the people don’t recognize who Jesus is until the demon names Him and is cast out. God is speaking in your life – perhaps through the voices of friends, family members, colleagues or strangers? Perhaps in your own frustration and irritation? Maybe even through the demons who attack your confidence, fill you with worry, tempt you to the same old sins? Whatever you need right now, God is speaking in a still small voice. If you are having trouble hearing, ask Him to help you listen, that you might hear the words He is whispering to give you new life.



Mass Intentions

- Monday Soul of **John Gallagher**
- Tuesday Souls of **Anna Cristinzo, Kevin DeGrace,**
and **Winnie Yao**
- Wednesday Soul of **Kevin DeGrace**
- Thursday Soul of **George Chin**
- Friday Soul of **John Frederick Jack Wilson**

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

A PRAYER FOR AWARENESS

Loving God

Stretch my vision so that I do not forget those who hunger and search for shelter each day.

Remind me when I am using and buying material things, to do so with care.

Enable me to use the Earth’s resources responsibly so that there will be enough to go around for all.

Awaken me each day to gratitude for all that I so easily take for granted.

Let my eyes do more than just read the stories in the daily paper. Let my eyes take those stories to my heart where I am one with all who dwell on the Earth.

Touch my compassion so that I know the pain of the hungry, the violated, the homeless, the burdened.

May I be attentive and alert to how You would have me live my abundant life. Grant me the generosity to share it with others.

Help me to make good decisions about my daily living so that who I am and what I do can have a positive effect on my brothers and sisters everywhere on this vast planet.

Joyce Rupp

To be attentive and alert to how God would have us live our lives – to be an instrument of God’s love is not easy. Sometimes we may think we are not up to the task or worthy enough. We may want to wait until such time that we attain some sort of illusive perfection of skills.

However, when we put most of our focus on our faults and our flaws – on what we think we can’t do - this makes us focus our energies on our shortcomings rather than on our gifts and talents.. Striving for perfection restricts us from trying new things.

There is an interesting twist on the old adage: If something is worth doing, it is worth doing well. The twist is: If something is worth doing, it is worth doing poorly until you learn to do it well. This way of using the adage dispels our fear of failure and emphasizes that we grow into our gifts – sometimes quickly – sometimes more slowly. We are on a journey with God by our side. There is a lot of space to on that journey, to make our mistakes and to grow from them and to trust that God is guiding us.

Natalie Doucet

January 28, 2018



The Community of St. Luke's will be celebrating our Pastor **Father Mark's 25th Anniversary** of his Ordination into the Priesthood at our parish church on **Sunday, May 27th at the 12:15 mass. This will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.** Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this special event.

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT
CHANGE OF DATE!
SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2018

The date of our **International Night** has been changed to **Saturday, April 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** Please save the date.

PARISH BREAKFAST
This Sunday, January 28 - After all the Masses
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to provide a Bursary for a First Nations Student at Nipissing University

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For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.

MANY THANKS

The **Out of the Cold Program** has finished for another year. A heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this Program happen. Without your commitment, energy and enthusiasm to putting faith into action this program would not be possible.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

On Friday, February 2, the Church celebrates the World Day for Consecrated Life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. This World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at a **special Mass on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.** at **St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto** in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN
UNITY 2018
ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Come and join us in an ecumenical prayer service with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins and other city-wide religious leaders on:

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – 3:00 p.m.
Metropolitan United Church
56 Queen Street East (Queen & Bond St)

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