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# St. Luke's Parish

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# Teach me Your ways, O Lord...

As members of the body of Christ, God chooses all of us to be bearers of his word and we must always be ready to respond to Isaiah, but we are invited to reflect his glory and witness in a less conspicuous way in the ordinariness of life. Whereas Peter was summoned to leave his nets and launch out into the deep, our call to personal holiness is more likely to come as we wash dishes, help children with their homework, nurse a sick neighbour or look after an elderly parent. What is important is that we respond willingly. However, unworthy we may consider ourselves, once we realise our need for a redeemer, the forgiveness of God is always there for the asking.



Monday Intention of Lucas Kim-Seagrim

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PRAYER REQUEST LINE

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## From the Pastor's Desk

Time fly's by and it is already almost four years since I arrived at St. Luke's Parish.

It is a very special place with many ministries and groups and wonderful talented choirs. Many come here because it is so special and this is thanks to all of you and most of all to our Lord.

We have made it a habit of not talking about finances unless we have to and at this time, we must.

We have a Parish Council that meets to keep track of Parish funds and a trend over the last many years is the weekly collections, our main source of revenue, stays about the same, but as everywhere, expenses do not. We try but inflation happens.

We are at a point now where we need to raise about 25% more in all offerings to keep up. This can be done if we all try to raise our donations just a bit from what we give presently. If we do, we can keep the programs and staffing we have, and respond to the maintenance needs of the property. As always, donations are tax deductible.

If you have questions, please contact the Parish office, the Finance Council members or me. If you have never formally donated to St. Luke's, please consider us if you can. With just a bit of attention we can solve this situation and not have to speak of it again.

Thanks for all you do. God Bless Fr. Mark Van Patten



#### FRIAR'S STUDENT WRITING AWARD

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a 500 word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue" (cf Deuteronomy 16:20).

#### Deadline for entries is February 18, 2019.

For complete details, please see the bulletin board.

#### A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

MASS WITH CARDINAL COLLINS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2019

The Archdiocese of Toronto will celebrate Marriage Sunday the weekend of February 9/10, 2019.

On Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. couples from across the archdiocese will gather for "A Celebration of Marriage" with Cardinal Thomas Collins at St. Clare of Assisi Parish (150 St. Francis Avenue, Woodbridge). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome!

Couples celebrating special milestone anniversaries during 2019 are asked to register online at:

www.archtoronto.org/marriage to ensure reserved seating.

Call (416) 964-8694 or visit the website above for more information.



#### The Lenten Little Black Book is Back!

This little devotional book has become popular among parishioners of St. Luke's.

With the daily turning of a page during lent, you will be offered a few minutes of guided meditation through short prayer and reflection. As well, throughout the book, there are snippets of interesting and enjoyable information. Lent begins on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Our Circle of Friends has been given the privilege of offering these booklets for sale on **February 16-17 after each mass.** See you in the Narthex!

#### OLEG SAMOKHIN PIANO RECITAL

#### Saturday March 2, 7:30 p.m.

Oleg is holding a recital here in the sanctuary on the above date. You and your friends and relatives will not want to miss his dazzling performance of the wonderful music of Beethoven, Schumann, and Schubert.

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Please join us Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> in the Parish hall at 7:30 pm, for an evening of **Praise & Worship.**Our special guest will be Audrey Johnson who will talk to us about "**Love and the Word of God**". All are welcome!

#### St. Luke's CWL News

Our CWL will be hosting a **Pancake Breakfast** on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> after all masses. Looking forward to seeing everyone there as we prepare for Lent 2019!

Join us for a spring trip to **Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre** on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. There is limited seating so purchase your tickets this weekend in the narthex or see the bulletin board for more information.

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