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THE PRAYER OF SAINT OSCAR ROMERO
PROPHETS OF A FUTURE NOT OUR OWN

It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view. The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God’s work. Nothing we do is complete, which is a way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us.

No statement says all that could be said. No prayer fully expresses our faith. No pastoral visit brings wholeness. No set of goals and objectives include everything.

This is what we are about. We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay the foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.

We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, an opportunity for the Lord’s grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own.

Archbishop Oscar Romero was assassinated in March 1980 because he spoke out against social injustice in his country of El Salvador. He was canonized on Oct. 14, 2018.

This prayer encourages a spirituality that strengthens us inwardly but leads us outward to answer God’s call to justice – a spirituality that is not guided by numbers or successful outcomes of events. It calls us to trust that the Holy Spirit is with us -- that doing one’s best, is enough to sustain us and our trust in God – that God will send other people after us to continue the journey of justice in the world.

Natalie Doucet

The Ascension, which marks the final departure of Christ from his friends on earth, celebrates hope. It proclaims that Jesus achieved the work he was sent to do and is now in the company of God the Father, beyond the boundaries of death and decay. The feast gives us a glimpse of the destiny that awaits us. It spells out that our homeland is in heaven. Where Christ has gone we hope to follow once our earthly journey is over.

In his own person, Christ has made available a sharing in his complete happiness which death cannot take from us. This is the joyful hope we have as a safe and sure anchor for our lives. The Ascension assures us that the longing for happiness and fullness of life, which is deeply imprinted within every person, can ultimately be realized.



- Monday Soul of **Natalie Carmela Pooran**
- Tuesday Soul of **Reginald Kingsford**
Soul of **Manuel & Angelina Pacheco**
Soul of **Rosa & Hubert Henkel**
Soul of **Luciana Tarentino**
Soul of **Carmen Butcher**
- Wednesday Soul of **Duane Soares**
- Thursday Intentions of **Pio Jung**
- Friday Soul of **Leo Braganza**

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

PARISH NEWS

SL ShareLife

*Helping the whole community
through Catholic agencies*

2019 PARISH GOAL - \$147,000.00

Collection to date - \$ 90,686.55

Living the gospel by supporting mental health wellness

Last year, over 3,200 people accessed individual, couple and family counselling at Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a ShareLife funded agency. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain employment and stay out of poverty.

Today is ShareLife Sunday

Please give generously



CWL WHITE ELEPHANT SALE **JUNE 8/9 – ST. LUKE’S PARISH HALL**

Got too much stuff? Downsizing? This is a great opportunity to create space in your home and support another CWL initiative! You can start dropping off any new or gently used items to the parish hall starting now until June 7th. **Please no clothing or furniture of any kind.** All proceeds will go to support parish activities. Please see the bulletin board or a CWL member for more information.

BE BOLD - BE BRAVE

Fundraiser for the Youth Council of Cuddles for Cancer

A seminar for women, a marriage of science and spirituality with expert speakers talking about overcoming obstacles, finding courage and following your dreams, success strategies and emotional health and wellness.

WHEN: Sunday June 9, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

WHERE: Bayview Golf and Country Club, 25 Fairway Heights Dr., Thornhill

TICKETS: \$40.00 with all proceeds supporting Cuddles for Cancer Youth Council’s upcoming trip to the UK to deliver blankets to children’s hospitals in the UK

TOTUS TUUS Day Camp 2019

Totus Tuus registrations are still open for the day and evening programs.

Day Program

Who: Students entering grades 1-6

When: July 22-26 from 9am – 2:30pm

Cost: \$60 first child & \$30 for each additional child

Evening Program

Who: Students entering grades 7-12

When: July 21-25 from 7pm-9pm

Cost: \$30

To register please visit:

<https://stlukesth.archtoronto.org/Ministries/youth-ministry>

OR <http://eepurl.com/gkvfU1>

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Friday **June 7th** is the first Friday of the month and we will be having a one-hour Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 7:30pm.

Come spend time with Jesus.

Blue Mass 2019

Saturday, Jun 15, 2019 – 11 am

Blessed Trinity Parish, 3220 Bayview Ave

Please join Bishop McCaig C.C. (Companions of the Cross), our Bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Canada in celebrating the Blue Mass, to thank our first responders - men and women who serve in their ‘Blue’ uniforms throughout our communities.

We are expecting police cruisers, dogs and horses, fire engines and ambulances, the respective chiefs and their representations and families. This is a good opportunity to show particularly our younger generation, the respect we owe our uniformed. Congregations from other parishes and schools are welcome. Light refreshments will be served and there will be time to socialize following the mass.

Large groups, please contact HenryTang@TangInc.com or 416-464-8215 to make seating arrangements.



MARYGROVE CAMP

The Marygrove Summer Camp collection will be taken up next weekend on June 8th & 9th. Each year, 1,100 girls from less fortunate families, attend summer camp, which is **fully subsidized** by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul through this collection – thank you for your continuing support.

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