

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
Address	Postal Code
Children & Dates of Births:	
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New Parishioner <input type="checkbox"/>	Envelopes <input type="checkbox"/>
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As we near the end of the church year, with the gloom of winter upon us, it is a good time to do some thinking about life in all its dimensions. We can be so caught up in our present existence that we lose sight of our eternal destiny. To gain a deeper perspective on the values of life, we need to take time to reflect on: Why am I here? What is the purpose of my being alive and of my existence in this world? Where is my pilgrim journey taking me? What message is God conveying to me through the words from sacred scripture. The last line of the gospel announces triumphantly “By your endurance you will gain your souls.” It stresses the importance of keeping faith and not losing heart. God calls us, not to success but to faithfulness. If we endure in our efforts to become loving persons who are respectful and caring of other people, our lives will have the meaning and purpose that is necessary. We need have no fear. It is God’s world, he is in control and things will unfold in accordance with his plan.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Soul of Angelita Serrantes Vilacorta
Tuesday	Soul of Maria Cioffi Mauro Soul of Alice Van Patten
Wednesday	Soul of Jet Jeturian
Thursday	Soul of Alice Van Patten
Friday	Soul of Aldwin Pedro Jr.

We pray for the sick in our community, that they may experience the peace of God’s presence, especially: **Ave Warren, Brian Dorrian, Tony da Camara Jr., Tracey Hutchinson, Kevin Arcand, Jairus Papio, San Hu, Grant Kennedy, Ashling Reilly, Timothy Hourigan, Christiane Parent and Elona**

PRAYER REQUEST LINE

905 881-2786 ext. 250

Thank you to everyone for your kind words, prayers & condolences at the passing of my mother on Nov. 1st.

Fr. Mark

Creating a World of Happiness

Just over a week ago I was awoken by my four-year old son Louis racing back and forth the length of our townhouse, screaming at the top of his lungs: ‘it’s Christmas, it’s Christmas, everyone get up, everyone get up, Santa is coming today, Santa is coming.’

Louis had woken up as usual but when he glanced outside to see the trees covered with the first snowfall, he went berserk. My wife and I had to gently inform him that Christmas is still over a month away and Santa will come then but the news did not diminish his joy, the beautiful white landscape had utterly captivated him. Inspired by the snow Louis convinced me that we had to go tobogganing right away, so we made our way to the hill behind our house. I was reluctant to go so early in the morning but after our first run, my feelings changed. The snow was a crisp soft powder and we had the time of our life.

As we made our way back to the house for some well-earned hot chocolate we passed by a neighbour. We smiled and commented to him, ‘isn’t it beautiful’ he smiled and commented back, ‘only in postcards.’ We had a laugh and I am sure he was 50% joking but it was interesting to note the different reactions my neighbour and Louis had to the snow.

Louis’ judged the snow as miraculous, gift, and consequently was filled with emotions of happiness and joy. My neighbour’s judgement was likely similar to mine ‘oh no here we go again’ and thus feelings of disappointment ensued. It is amazing how the same judgement of a life event can trigger such different feelings in two people and we know that our feelings are never wrong so it is paramount we are aware of the life-judgements we are constantly making that are generating our feelings.

These same judgments apply to how we see the future. If we see the future as improving, we will have a positive perspective with feelings of hope and happiness but if we see the future as getting worse our outlook will be negative with feelings of anxiety and despair. In this way, we have a hand in God’s creation, for in a way we create the world and feelings we experience.

With all that is happening in the world today it is easy to adopt a pessimistic attitude so we must strive to remain positive. We can look to the immortal words of Julian of Norwich for inspiration: ‘All shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well’ ...For Jesus is coming again and indeed his Spirit is already here.

John Humphries. For a video on this topic please see: <https://youtu.be/nu680PRnZys>



As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity.

For many of our retired shepherds, this means, "lending a hand" to accommodate their special needs so that they continue to live with dignity. **The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese the weekend of November 16/17.**

This fund does more than just support our priests in their retirement years; it is a tangible way to care for those who always cared for us and give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS PARTY **2019**

The Knights of Columbus – St. Luke's Council 4393 is inviting all parishioners for a Christmas Party at our Council chamber. The Knights will be providing food (chicken or veal dinner) and wine.

Venue: 10 Harlech Court, Thornhill, L3T 6L5

When: Saturday, November 30, 2019

Who: All Parishioners

Time: Karaoke 6:00 pm (Sing and Dance)

Dinner: 7:00 pm

Cost: \$30 single, \$50 couples,
(children under 12 are free!)

To register, please contact in person or by email:

Fletcher Pereira – fletcher.pereira@gmail.com

Bill Withers – billbrodiebill@gmail.com

George Hung – georgehung@gmail.com

Joseph D'Souza – joedsouza2006@gmail.com

MOSAIC INTERFAITH PEACE MEAL

Sunday, Nov. 24, 2:30-5:00 p.m.

Jaffari Islamic Centre, 9000 Bathurst St. Door #4

TOPIC: What Are Our Obligations To The Earth and Why?

Please bring a vegan dish to share - (no nuts or alcohol)

Women are asked to wear a head covering.

If you have any questions, please call Natalie at ext. 235

HOLYLAND ART

We are fortunate to have a variety of hand crafted olive wood religious items for sale in the parish hall this weekend - just in time for Christmas! Your support will help strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

ADVENT CANDLES & HOLDERS

Advent candles & holders will be for sale in the narthex the weekends of Nov 16/17 and Nov 23/24.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS - LITTLE BLUE BOOK

The *Little Blue Book* of daily Advent devotions, which so many of us love, will be available in the narthex next weekend after all masses.

GOOD SHEPHERD TUNA CASSEROLES

Good Shepherd Casseroles are due Sunday November 24th
(last Sunday of the month)

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be selling their knitted items on the weekend of Nov 23/24th weekend. All proceeds will go to charity. For more information, please call Helen at 905 770-7823.

RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARDS

We are offering beautiful cards in boxes of 10 and a free raffle ticket for an 18" Madonna & Child figurine with each box for only \$10.00. If you already have cards, please consider a donation to support life-saving Pro-Life education in our schools.

Visit our table in the narthex the weekends of Nov 23/24 and Nov 30/Dec 1st.

CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The CWL Christmas Bazaar will be held in the parish hall the weekend of Nov 30/Dec 1st. You don't want to miss it!

CHOIR CONCERT

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7, 7:30 P.M.

Once again, in our sanctuary, the choirs of St. Luke's will be ringing in the Christmas season like only music can. Come join us as the 4 choirs (yes the kids are included) of our parish sing both individually and together the delightful songs of the season to help prepare your hearts for the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus. Light refreshments will follow in the parish hall.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY **CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE**

Please bring your donations of non-perishable foods, such as canned food, cereals, pastas, rice, flour etc. and small toys to the Church on the weekends of Nov.30/Dec.1 and Dec.7/8. Donations will be sent to the Georgina (Keswick – Sutton) Food Bank to help feed those in need. Thank you for your generosity.

DATE CHANGE - A reminder to students in grades 5-8 to join us for EDGE on Friday, **November 22nd** from 7 – 9pm

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