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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*



In today's gospel, the young man's wealth was the baggage hindering him from moving freely through the narrow gate into eternal life. We are all in search of happiness, trying to discover a meaning to our lives and thirsting for inner peace, but are we looking in the right place? Our longing for fulfilment runs deeper than the standards of the world. Living in a society that measures success in terms of riches, there is a danger that our own values can centre on material possessions rather than on the salvation Jesus is offering. There is a growing recognition in our time that something has been lost along the way. We need to give space in our lives to things spiritual - that which satisfies the deepest yearnings of the heart. The danger of holding attachments too tightly prevents us from entering more fully into the life of discipleship and missing the one thing that matters most - eternal life.

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>	
Monday	Soul of Maryann Fung
Tuesday	Intentions of Jessie Schmoll Soul of Herminigilda Peñoso and Jacinta Alde
	Soul of Gladys Wongchong
	Soul of Do Sean Whang
	Soul of Frances Anne Morrison
Wednesday	Intentions of Lottie Jung
Thursday	Soul of Jesse Pedro and Anthony Wood-Salomon
Friday	Soul of John Thomas Nugent

Please pray for the sick in our community.
 May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens, especially:
Elizabeth and Tonya Liversidge, Marie Wright, Chantal Soriano and Wilfredo Soriano

We're really upside down and don't know it

James and John didn't understand that Jesus kingdom was not of this world. They came to Jesus asking for a piece of the action, a privileged to share in his anticipating success, his power and glory. Jesus answered them that they did not know what they were asking for, since his power and glory will come through his passion and death, his self-abandonment. ...He came into the world for that purpose: To die. That is what he meant by "the cup that I drink...". Jesus says to James and John that he will indeed answer their request, but not in the way they have in mind, sharing with them the earthly success and power and reign that they expected. They would get a far higher kingdom and power and glory - namely, heaven and holiness. They would become Saints, not Caesars. Because that is the only way to true happiness and joy. When the others heard about the request of James and John, they were envious and angry. So Jesus sat them down... and said to them...that his kingdom and his power and his glory,... are the opposite of what they thought: not being served but serving, not getting but giving, not being first but being last. They didn't understand that; that's why Jesus had to repeat the lesson many times in many ways. One of those ways was by washing his disciples' feet on Holy Thursday, doing the job of the lowest slave. That action spoke louder than words. It said: "Do you want to be first in my kingdom? Fine. ...It's by being last. By serving. By giving up your life, by burning your candle, not hoarding it." his supreme example of this lesson would be literally dying for them, giving them his life, his very body and blood, on the cross and in the Eucharist. This is life's greatest paradox. ...The only way to be the greatest in Christ kingdom is to be the least, to have the least left in your own ego and self-will, to pour out your whole self for others as he did for you. It is a very strange kingdom that this king invites us into, because it is the kingdom of God, and God is very strange. God is love; God is agape, and that means that God is the total gift of self from each of the three persons of the Trinity to each of the other two. In inviting us into his kingdom of agape, Jesus is inviting us into participation,...not imitation,...the sharing in the very life of God, who is the source of everything real and true and good and beautiful and joyful. This truth about God is also a truth about us because we are designed and created in God's image. We are designed to run only on the fuel that God runs on, to live only with God's life. That's why we get joy only by giving joy; we find ourselves only by losing ourselves; we live only by dying to our own natural selfishness. It's not an ideal: it's a fact. It's not what we are, what we are made for. The reason it looks paradoxical to us is that...We are fallen; in fact, we are upside down. If Jesus seems to stand us on our heads, that's because we're really upside down and don't know it; We think he is upside down. And which of the two of us do you think is more likely to be right?"
 Peter Kreeft, Food for the Soul p.739-740

October 13, 2024

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The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Open Houses for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 17 & Tuesday, October 22 beginning at 7:00 pm.

You are invited to register at: www.applySMCS.com

St. Michael's College School offers a generous Financial Assistance Programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.



This year we will be celebrating the Feast of All Souls on **Friday evening, November 1st at 7:00 p.m.** It is a time to remember and make present our deceased family members and once more entrust them into the loving care of God.

The names of those **who have died since last November** will be announced in a special way during the service with all names placed in the memorial basket at the altar to be prayed for at each mass during the month of November.

If a family member or friend has passed **within the past year**, and you would like them remembered, e-mail their name to stlukesth@archtoronto.org by Tuesday, October 30 for their names to be included in the program.

* There is no change to our Friday morning mass at 9:00 am.



FEAST OF ST. LUKE

Please join us for mass, followed by refreshments on Friday, October 18th as we celebrate our Patron Saint,

St. Luke, the Evangelist



The CWL team would like to thank all their members and parishioners that helped support our 1st Annual Bake Sale. The sale was a huge success with lots of yummy items of deliciousness.

Thank you all for being so generous who donated their time, goodies and gave cash donations. We collected approx. \$1100, and all proceeds will be donated to the Richmond Hill Food Bank. Thank you again, we could not have done it without YOU!

"Together we can make a difference"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – ST. LUKE'S COUNCIL 4393

are sponsoring a Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
The topic is: *What are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why.*

How can you determine if the leader has these virtues?

The contest is open to catholic students in grades 8-12.

For more information, contact: James McDonald at 647-419-9534 or Luis Santalla at gk4393@ontariokofc.ca

The due date is November 1st at 12:00 noon.

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Saturday, October 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

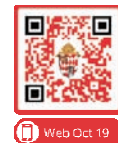
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- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

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