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# St. Gregory's Parish

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(Temporary days and hours)

Father Sean Lee Lung Parish Priest

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Adam Kozak Catechist/Sacramental Personnel

**Weekend Masses** 

**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 9:00 and 12 noon (Temporary hours)

Weekday Masses

**Tuesday:** 7:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:** 9:00 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

**Tuesdays:** 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or upon request

**Adoration Chapel** (Temporary hours)

Every Thursday after Mass until 12 noon Please consider spending some time with our Eucharistic Lord.

#### **School**

St. Gregory's Elementary Catholic School 416-393-5262 Fax 416-393-5189

#### **Sacraments**

Baptisms - Please call for appointment

**Marriage** - Couples planning to be married must contact the parish one year in advance. A marriage preparation course is mandatory.

#### **Other Catholic Organizations**

- Catholic Pastoral Centre

website – archtoronto.org

- Office of Vocations (Serra House)

website - vocationstoronto.ca

- Catholic Cemeteries

website - catholic-cemeteries.com

-The Vatican

website - www.vatican.va

## 2nd Sunday of Caster



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun., April 11 Acts 4.32-35 ~ 1 Jn 5.1-6 ~ Jn 20:19-31

9:00am

Manuel De Melo

deceased

12 noon

For our parishioners and their families

Mon., April 12 Acts 4.23-31 ~ Jn 3.1-8

Tues., April 13 Acts 4.32-37 ~ Jn 3.7b-15

Saint Martin I

7:30pm

Patty O'Brien, Ignazio Mantia deceased

Wed., April 14 Acts 5.17-26 ~ Jn 3.16-21

**9:00am** For the

For the deceased members of the

Vincentelli & Salas families

**Thur., April 15** Acts 5.27-33 ~ Jn 3.31-36

9:00am

For the intentions of George Poroniuk

Fri., April 16 Acts 5.34-42 ~ Jn 6.1-15

9:00am

Leonel & Lisete

deceased

Sat., April 17 \_Acts 6.1-7 ~ Jn 6.16-21

Saint Keteri Tekakwitha

5:00pm

Michael Elliott, Tom Sullivan,

Paul Pastor

deceased

Sun., April 18 Acts 3.13-15,17-19 ~ 1 Jn 2.1-5 ~ Lk 24.35-48

9:00am

Jose da Silva

deceased

12 noon

For our parishioners and their families

Please pray for the sick especially those whose names are recorded in our Parish book of intentions and for the repose of the souls of those who have died; may the souls in Purgatory, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please call the office if you would like to add an intention in our Parish book of intentions.

### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Observance of Divine Mercy Sunday is still new enough to the Church that many Catholics are unfamiliar with its history.

Saint John Paul II announced the institution of Divine Mercy Sunday, which is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, at the canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska in 2000. Saint Faustina was a Polish nun who died in 1938. She wrote extensively on the subject of her visions and encounters with Jesus, who she said told her she was to be "an apostle of his Divine Mercy".

St. John Paul II referred to those encounters during his homily in 2001 on the first observance of Divine Mercy Sunday, describing how Jesus told Sr. Faustina, "humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy.' Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity."

The psalms and gospel readings heard on this day directly address the subject of God's mercy. Consider, for example, the psalm, which speaks of God's goodness, while the gospel detailing St. Thomas' encounter with the risen Lord reveals God's patience with us. The Collect of the day specifically refers to God's mercy.

This devotion held a special place in St. John Paul II's heart. In 2002 he announced there would be indulgences associated with day for those who receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, offer prayers, including for the papal prayer intentions, and receive Communion. The sacrament of Reconciliation is particularly linked to this solemnity, as it is a very clear indicator of the mercy readily available to us.

Other practices associated with the devotion include praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, especially on the Second Sunday of Easter and Fridays at 3p.m., the day and time at which Mark's gospel says Jesus died. In her writings, Sr. Faustina spoke of Jesus' desire for a Divine Mercy Novena, being said over the nine days between Good Friday and the first Sunday after Easter.

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Taken from "Living with Christ" April 2015



#### St. Gregory's Temporary Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am & 12 noon

Tuesday - 7:30pm Wednesday to Friday - 9:00am

No registration required. We work on a first come first serve basis. Please be respectful and follow the instructions of our Ministers of Hospitality.

\*Confessions by appointment only.

While the city of Toronto remains in the Grey control and lockdown zone, the parish office will remain closed, however, we do check our emails and phone messages on a daily basis.

#### **ShareLife Collections for 2021**

#### Supporting mental health in our community

Our parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway.

ShareLife Sunday is April 18th.

In this time of Lent, please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your generous support of ShareLife. Last year, generous ShareLife supporters enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our

community.



1<sup>st</sup> Collection – April 17/18 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – June 19/20 3<sup>rd</sup> Collection – October 2/3

Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$267,000.00.** Please give generously.

Archdiocesan Week of Prayer for Vocations - Monday, April 19 - Saturday, April 24, 2021



During this week, Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director, Office of Vocations, has asked that we all take some time, as a community, to pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious and consecrated life. At this time, we also ask that you pray for our 6 soon-to-be priests along with all those who are discerning and who are currently in formation. For more information, please contact your parish office, or email the Office of Vocations at **vocations@archtoronto.org** 

#### A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

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"The Joy and Challenge of Preaching by Fr. Joshua J. Whitfield," author of The Crisis of Bad Preaching.

Friday, June 04, 2021 08:00 AM - 03:00 PM

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Everyone is welcome! We encourage the participation of lay preachers and anyone interested in this primary apostolate.

The webinar includes three conferences, materials and access to a recording.

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