

WELCOME BACK TO ST. BRIGID'S PARISH ~ LET'S WORSHIP SAFE TOGETHER

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / JUNE 21

Jesus said to the Twelve: "Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna" (Matt 10:26-28).

A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR FATHERS

*God, bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. Amen. **Happy Father's Day to all the Fathers, Grandfathers and Father Figures in our Parish and in our community ~ God bless you!***

FROM FR. CARLOS SIERRA

Dear Parishioners of St. Brigid's Catholic Church, I pray that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy during this most challenging time. Know that you have been close in prayer during daily private Mass. We also pray for the sick, those who have been called home to the Lord and our front-line health care and essential workers.

We are delighted that we are able to re-open our churches once again. As we implement our re-opening plans, we must do so with prudence and caution, ensuring that we do everything possible to reduce the potential transmission of the virus. As you can expect, things will look a little different when we return to church. For that reason, we have circulated a few resources to help us understand what things will look like. Yes, these are uncomfortable practices and they may seem overly restrictive - I understand that. However, to prevent us from having to close once again and to keep everyone as safe as possible, we must all do our part and make the best of this challenging situation.

One of the biggest challenges is that, to re-open, we must do so in phases where our capacity of people who can attend church will be limited due to directives from the Province of Ontario's medical experts.

Please refer to our resources on our website to give you a better sense of what you can expect and how you can help out before you arrive at church, when you arrive and at points in between. We will offer reminders/signs when you are here but it is good to review these guidelines at this time.

One key point that I would like to highlight is that the diocese, after consulting with the Chief Medical Officer for the Province of Ontario, is recommending that all those (over the age of 3) who come to church wear a mask/face covering to mitigate the potential spread of the virus. While not mandatory, they are highly recommended. Again, I recognize this is uncomfortable, but it is out of care and love for our neighbour. Please follow this direction and consider bringing a mask/face covering with you when you return to church.

Finally, I invite you to consider how you might share your time and talents as a volunteer. The many tasks required

for re-opening are significant and we need more volunteers than ever to help. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish office by calling: (416) 696-8660 or emailing: stbrigid@rogers.com.

Our joy of re-opening churches is measured with the restrictions that will be required. However, returning to sacramental life and gathering as a community is sustenance essential for our faith community during these trying days. I am overjoyed to welcome you back – be assured that you all remain in my prayers each day.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Carlos A. Sierra T.

HOW TO RETURN TO MASS ~ VIDEO

The Office of Public Relations & Communications has produced a video that explains the temporary changes to the Mass that are being implemented in response to COVID-19.

This video is to inform all our parishioners of our WorshipSafe protocols before you leave for church, to improve the flow of worship when attending Mass.

To watch the video click: <https://bit.ly/ReturnToMass>

CONGRATULATIONS REV. MICHAEL NABOR

We are happy to let the St. Brigid's Community know that **Rev. Michael Nabor Corpus**, baptized at our Parish in 1977, is to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Presbyter for the Archdiocese of Toronto on June 27, 2020 at St. Michael's Cathedral. Congratulations Rev. Michael - be assured of our prayers.

LIVESTREAM MASS ON FACEBOOK AT 11:00 AM EVERY SUNDAY

Please join us live on our St. Brigid's Facebook page every Sunday at 11:00 am for the livestream of our Mass. If you are unable to watch us live, you can always find the link on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and on our website.

Facebook & Instagram: St. Brigid's Catholic Church

Twitter: @StBrigidsto

Website: stbrigid.archtoronto.org

SUPPORTING ST. ANN'S & ST. BRIGID'S JOINT VENTURE FOOD BANK

We would like to thank everyone that has dropped off food and made financial donations towards the St. Ann's and St. Brigid's joint venture active food bank. Your support continues to go a long way in helping to feed those in need.

St. Brigid's is still accepting donations of non-perishable food items. If you would like to make a contactless donation drop off, you may do so at the St. Brigid's Parish office Monday to Friday from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. You may also consider making a financial donation directly to www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/st-ann-food-bank. The money raised will be used to support the purchase of perishable and non-perishable food items. St. Ann's Parish is located at 120 First Avenue, Toronto.

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SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2020

Supporting Missions in the Global South

The Pastoral Mission Fund supports 226 projects in 25 countries in the Global South. These projects include programs run by the Missionary Sisters of the Society of Mary in the remote Colombian village of El Pozon. In this village marked by killings and disappearances, the sisters provide food, job training, and hope – through prayer meetings, Confirmation classes and Bible studies. A grant from the Pastoral Mission Fund is helping the sisters conduct their important pastoral and mission work.

The ShareLife office would like to extend their gratitude for the support they are receiving despite living among this pandemic. **Due to COVID-19, a revised collection schedule will be released soon.**

By supporting ShareLife, you bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Please continue to give generously!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Fr. Carlos Sierra would like to thank all those that have dropped off their weekly donation envelopes, ShareLife donation envelopes and Purple Lenten Bag to the Parish office. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Next week, we will be posting this weekend's collection amount. If you cannot attend Mass and would like to make a donation to our Parish, please consider the following options: **1.** Contactless drop off of your donation envelope(s) in the mailbox at the Parish office. **2.** Sign up for Pre-Authorized Giving by contacting the Parish office or by clicking on the following link: stbrigids.archtoronto.org/About-Us/pre-authorized-giving.

3. Use the "Donate Now" function on our website: community.archtoronto.org

XII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Il popolo di Dio ha sperimentato, durante tutta la sua storia, la violenta opposizione dei popoli vicini. Il mistero della persecuzione, pur essendo connesso al mistero della sofferenza in genere, ne è distinto. La sofferenza costituisce un tormentoso problema, perché tocca tutti gli uomini anche i giusti e gli innocenti. La persecuzione colpisce i giusti proprio perché giusti; raggiunge specialmente i profeti a causa del loro amore a Dio e della loro fedeltà alla sua parola. Geremia occupa fra i perseguitati un posto speciale: egli ha espresso meglio degli altri lo stretto legame che esiste tra la persecuzione e la missione profetica.

UNA PREGHIERA PER LA FESTA DEL PAPÀ

*Benedici, o Signore, il mio padre! Benedici la sua lunga e operosa giornata. Concedigli la forza di affrontare il lavoro con serenità, di adempierlo con gioia, di concluderlo con soddisfazione. Fa che tornando trovi nella sua casa pace per il suo riposo e nei nostri affetti il migliore compenso per il suo sacrificio. Concedigli, anche per noi, una lunga vita rasserenata dal nostro affetto. **Buona festa del papà a tutti i padri e i nonni nella nostra parrocchia e nella comunità ~ Dio vi benedica!***

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

Padre Carlos Sierra vi ringrazia tutti coloro che hanno fatto arrivare la loro busta per la colletta settimanale. Allo stesso tempo, vi chiede di non dimenticare le buste della colletta per ShareLife e la purple bag della campagna Quaresimale. Sempre se vi è possibile, fatte arrivare le vostre contribuzioni all'ufficio parrocchiale. Se proprio vi è difficile di farle arrivare le buste in parrocchia, conservatele a casa e così quando avremo superato questo duro traguardo, le porterete con voi quando venite a Messa.

Ricordatevi che quest'anno e l'anno del nostro Centenario, ma per questa epidemia che ci ostacola la nostra celebrazione sociale, noi lo faremmo nell'anno 2021, tutto ciò che era stato programato per quest'anno. Nella mia Messa personale ogni giorno siete sempre ricordati davanti al Signore e alla Madonna.

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENZIONI DELLA MESSA

Saturday, June 20th ~ Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 9:00 a.m. San Pio Di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera di S. Brigid +Eric Meyer, req. by Vanesa Coxson
5:00 p.m. Special 50th Wedding Anniversary Blessing for Ernesto & Carolina Gigante, req. by the Family
+Luciana & Giuseppina Ruggiero, req. by Lucy & Rocco Colangelo

Sunday, June 21st

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
9:45 a.m. +Antonio Ammirato, req. by the Family
+Carmelo Grosso, req. by Nicolina Grosso
+Salvatore Biagini, req. by the Family
+Antonia, Carmelo & Tindaro Gumina, req. by the Family
+Santo Visconti, req. by Antonietta Visconti & Family
+Francesco Annicchiarico, req. by the Wife & Children
+Giuseppe Raffa, req. by Tina Morlando & Family
+Giovanni Toso, req. by the Wife Agata Toso
+Carmela Avarino & Francesco Camera, req. by Vincenzo & Maria Camera, Children & Grandchildren
+Giuseppe Salvatore Distefano, req. by the Parish
11:00 a.m. +Leo Procewiat, req. by the Family
+Domenico Arabia, req. by the Family
+Concetta & Francesco Cappeluzzi, req. by Dattoli Family
+Nick Lamacchia, req. by the Family
+Irene Charrie, req. by the Family
+Ambrogio & Leonardo Masellis, req. by the Family
+Maria & Paolo Calo, req. by the Family

Monday, June 22nd ~ St. Paulinus of Nola & St. John Fisher

- 12:00 p.m. +Thomas Richardson, req. by the Parish

Tuesday, June 23rd

- 12:00 p.m. +Joe Galea, req. by the Parish
7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Pietro Turco, req. by the Family

Wednesday, June 24th ~ Nativity of St. John the Baptist

- 12:00 p.m. Wedding Anniversary Blessing for Joven & Mida Fernandez

Thursday, June 25th

- 12:00 p.m. +Gaetano Di Pietro, req. by the Parish

Friday, June 26th

- 12:00 p.m. +Viola Maclsaac, req. by the Parish

Saturday, June 27th ~ St. Cyril of Alexandria

- 9:00 a.m. +Nonni Barbieri, req. by Nicola Viscomi
5:00 p.m. +Salvatore Morlando, req. by Joe & Tina Morlando & Family