

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Please Pray For All The Sick

Ann MacGillivray, Kenneth Hill, Fred Weber, Miyanna Figueroa, Brian Cabral, Mariana Weglinski, Boguslawa Cop, and Aissa Aro.

And we pray for those whose death anniversaries occur about this time that they may live in glory forever with God and all the Saints.

Ascension of the Lord

“When they had gathered together they asked him, ‘Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?’”

The readings today mark an extremely important transition in the life of Christ and His Church, of which we are members. We have heard the end of the Gospel according to St. Luke, and the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles. We celebrate the end of that time when Jesus walked the earth in the midst of people who could turn to Him in their needs. His Ascension was necessary, though so that we could receive Christ in His Holy Spirit. The Ascension of the Lord Jesus, then, prepares us for the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the event which we will celebrate on the feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church.

Whenever we ourselves face transitions in life, we might tend to forget that when one door closes in life, another door tends to open. The Ascension reminds us of this, but also promises us something much more important. Not only do doors open and close in life, but as Christ said to the apostles, He sends down to us the promise of the Holy Spirit, to guide us as we choose which doors to go through and which doors to close behind us.

God is always with us, appearing to us in different ways. The Holy Spirit manifests His presence in our lives through his gifts of wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, fortitude, piety, and due reverence for God. These gifts are at work in our hearts if we actively seek the presence of the Holy Spirit, whose entrance into our hearts we should pray intensely for during these next ten days. And so the Ascension is the prologue of the story of the Church, our story. We can celebrate the Ascension because while Jesus is no longer physically present as one of us, he is still with us: His Spirit is with us, and He is with us in his sacraments. But Jesus has passed on his mission to us. It's up to all of us, bound together by the Holy Spirit, to show the world what God is like. Because the Holy Spirit, as a spirit, can only be seen through human beings. And with Jesus in heaven, it's up to us to show the face of God to others.



There is a promise of marriage between

Jeffrey Scott DeMenezes & Laura Marie Martins
Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 12:00pm

Masses For The Week

8:30 am **Monday, May 30**

For all souls in purgatory;

Requested by the Artes Family

For the repose of the soul of Anthony Acquaviva;

Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of Charles Edward Rathe;

Requested by Carmen Mendez

8:30 am **Tuesday, May 31**

For the repose of the soul of Fernando Da Silva;

Requested by Emelia Da Silva and Family

For the repose of the soul of Basil Thomas;

Requested by the Thomas Family

For the repose of the soul of Prince Machado;

Requested by the Devarajah Family

8:30 am **Wednesday, June 1**

For the repose of the soul of Stan Couto;

Requested by the Couto Family

For the repose of the soul of Gloria Remedios;

Requested by the Travasso & D'Souza Family

Special Intentions for Austin Saucó;

Requested by the Saucó Family

8:30 am **Thursday, June 2**

For the repose of the soul of Mary Liang;

Requested by Lily Young

For the repose of the soul of Lawford Sylianco;

Requested by the Family

Special Intention and Healing for Huong Nguyen;

Requested by the Family

8:30 am **Friday, June 3**

For the repose of all deceased souls;

Requested by the Pinto Family

For the repose of the soul of David Jushkevich;

Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of Bebiana Sequeira;

Requested by the Sequeira Family

9:00 am **Saturday, June 4**

For the repose of the souls of Terence & Maffi D'Cunha;

Requested by the Family

5:00 pm

For the repose of the soul of Walter Thomas;

Requested by the Thomas Family

SUNDAY, MAY 29th, 2022

Special Intentions and Healing for Carmen and Rudy;

Requested by Carmen Mendez

For the repose of the soul of Loraine Singh;

Requested by Roland and Family

8:00 am

Sunday, June 5

For the repose of the soul of Tiago Leite;

Requested by the Family

Special Intentions and Birthday Blessings for Sonny Anden & Conrad Amio;

Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of Lydia Villa;

Requested by Mandy Agbay and Family

10:00 am

For the Intentions of the Parishioners.

12:00 noon – Multiple Intentions

- + *Mary Liang*
- + *Manuel Rebelo*
- + *Felino Reyes*
- + *Miguel Melo*
- + *Conçeição Matias*
- + *All deceased members of the Menezes & Machado Families*

Special Intentions for Hector Family

Steubenville Toronto Youth Conference 2022

Friday, July 15, 2022 09:00 AM - Sunday, July 17, 2022 05:00 PM
Canada Christian College. 300 Water St., Whitby



Steubenville Toronto group registration is now open! Steubenville Youth Conferences bring together some of the best Catholic speakers and musicians in North America and provide opportunities for our high school teens to encounter Christ and experience the Church in a whole new way. A group can be a parish high school youth ministry, high school altar servers, a high school chaplaincy, or even simply a group of friends with parent chaperones. If you'd like to bring a group to Steubenville for the first time, but don't know where to start, feel free to reach out to us – we'd be happy to help.

EMAIL: youth@ocytoronto.org
WEBSITE: www.steubenvilletoronto.com

ShareLife

ShareLife supports more than 40 agencies across the archdiocese providing vital health, social and community services to those in need.

Today is World Communications Day.

One of those agencies is Silent Voice, an agency that provides services to people who are deaf. Here's what they have to say about ShareLife:

"It truly means the world to members of vulnerable populations whom we serve. You help remove barriers faced by Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families. You open the world to members of the Deaf community through Silent Voice programs and services, education and engagement, completely accessible in American Sign Language. You are a partner in transforming lives."

Thus far we have raised \$28,577.00 toward our goal of \$67,000

Our next collection for ShareLife will be next weekend June 5.

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation Program:

Annual Day of Reflection for Women

Saturday, June 4, 2022

9:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. (for virtual),
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (for in-person)

St. Augustine's Seminary invites all women to an in-person event with the Sisters of Life. On Saturday, June 4, 2022, the Sisters of Life will facilitate a day of reflection for women, celebrating what Pope Saint John Paul II called the "feminine genius." The Sisters will accompany all participants as they reflect on the gifts of women and their unique call to holiness. Brunch and mass will be offered (please bring a bible and Rosary). For those preferring a virtual experience, virtual attendance is welcomed.

COST: in-person-\$50 plus HST, online-\$25 plus HST

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WEB : <http://www.staugustines.on.ca/>

REGISTER: staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/annual-day-of-reflection-for-women



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