

St. Bernard de Clairvaux Church



MEMORARE OF ST. BERNARD

Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee do I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday	5:00 pm	English
Sunday	9:00 am	Italian
	10:30 am	English
	12:00 pm	English
	3:00 pm	Malayalam Community

Confessions: ½ hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment

Daily Masses in English:

Monday & Friday at 7:00 pm
Wednesday at 7:00 pm with Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help with Rosary at 6:30 pm
Saturday at 9:00 am

Daily Masses in Italian:

Tuesday & Thursday at 8:00 am

Pastoral Team:

Fr. Boniface Perri, Pastor
Fr. Jose Johnny, Associate Pastor/Chaplain to Sacred Heart Kerala Community
Fr. Francesco Pica, In Residence
Gina Orofino, Parish Secretary
Brenda Carvalho, Bookkeeper

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday:	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
	1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Saturday:	9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Baptisms: Parents seeking to have their child baptized must call the Parish Office to request a "Baptism Request Form". Baptism certificate for Catholic parents and Confirmation certificates for the Godparents is necessary. When documentation is complete call the Parish Office to set up an appointment with the Pastor. Upon approval from the Pastor, a Baptism date will be given.

Marriages: Couples must contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. A marriage course is a pre-requisite.

Parish Groups:

Over 50 Club
Knights of Columbus
St. Bernard Catholic Women's League
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Parish Activities:

First Friday Adoration
Visitation of the Homebound

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS

**LETTER FROM MOST REV. FRANCIS LEO,
ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO**

October 31, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
May Jesus and Mary be in your soul.

It has been a true blessing and joy to spend time with so many Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto since my arrival in March 2023. This includes the dedicated priests and deacons, religious women and men as well as the numerous laity, parishioners, volunteers and all those who are working to strengthen the Body of Christ in our archdiocese in ecclesial movements and associations, as well as those serving in education, healthcare, social services and institutions.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is blessed with an abundance of workers in the vineyard of the Lord. I am grateful for your role in reflecting the face of Christ to all those we encounter each day. In his Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 5-7), our Divine Lord Jesus taught us that, as his disciples, we are salt of the earth and light of the world (Mt. 5:13-16). In fidelity to the mission to evangelize entrusted to the entire Church, let each one of us make every effort so as to proclaim Jesus Christ, bear witness to the Gospel and serve with a compassionate heart.

In 2013, our Archbishop-emeritus Cardinal Thomas Collins launched a Pastoral Plan to focus our attention and identify areas of emphasis to help bring us closer to the Lord, our faith and one another. It is now an appropriate time to review the current Pastoral Plan, updating the vision through the lens of 2023 and our current reality.

I would ask for your assistance in helping to identify what you believe to be key priorities and objectives as we move forward as a faith community. To be clear, this is not a synodal process – the synodal consultation requested by the Holy See, you may recall, took place locally in 2021-2022. Rather, I am reaching out to our archdiocesan family to solicit your thoughts and dreams, what you believe to be your **three key priorities** for our archdiocesan Pastoral Planning for the next decade. I encourage you to ground your reflection and responses in prayer to the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, so that He may inspire, guide and animate this Archdiocesan ecclesial process of consulting the Body of Christ.

I invite you to visit www.archtoronto.org/consultation to participate in our wide-spread consultation. We have made every effort to ensure the process is brief and efficient. Options are also available should you consult with others and wish to offer a group or hard copy submission. Please make sure every effort to complete your feedback by **December 15, 2023**. We will then gather and analyze the results which will help guide us as we discern and craft an updated Pastoral Plan, to be shared at an appropriate time in 2024.

Be assured of my ongoing gratitude for all that you do and witness and prayers for your loved ones and communities. Let us entrust this consultation and reflection to the maternal mediation of Mary, Mother of the Church and through the powerful intercession of our archdiocesan patron, Saint Michael the Archangel.

Yours Sincerely in Jesus with Mary,
Most Rev. Francis Leo
Archbishop of Toronto



*We will be having a Memorial Mass
on Tuesday, November 21st, at 7:00 pm.
Everyone is invited to remember their loved ones.
You will receive a candle as you enter, which will be
lit for your loved ones during the Mass.*

*Martedì 21 di novembre alle 7pm.
Sara' celebrata una messa per ricordare
tutti i nostri cari defunti.
Vi sarà data una candela all'entrata della chiesa e
sarà accesa per ricordare la persona a voi cara.*



SUNDAY MISSALLETES ON SALE
This year we are able to offer the Sunday Missalettes for the New Liturgical year at a cost of \$ 5.00 each. These will be available from the parish office during office hours or after the weekend Masses from the ushers.

**Bundle Up for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
Spring Cleaning – Year Round**
The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes, linens and household goods to support our neighbours in need **the weekend of November 25 – 26, 2023**. Please bring your donation and help others in your community. Thank you!!! “The truck arrives Friday afternoon and leaves Monday morning

The Heralds of the Gospel will be at the Parish on the weekend of December 2 & 3, to offer "St. Faustina & the Divine Mercy", a book designed to introduce children and adults to the profound message of Divine Mercy in an engaging and accessible way. After all Masses, pick up a copy of this book for a suggested donation of \$5. Let's come together as a parish community to embrace the message of God's infinite love and share it with the next generation.



**CHRISTMAS POT LUCK
AND SING A LONG**

Our last Pot Luck was a great success.

It was wonderful to see our Parish come together.

Unanimously, we all felt that it would be great to do something like that again. So, for this reason, we thought it would be a good idea to keep the momentum going, by planning the next event on **Saturday December 9th, after the 5:00 pm Mass.** To help us get in the Christmas mood we will have Christmas Carols with coffee and hot chocolate. What we would ask is for people coming to bring in food that is simple to eat and of course some Christmas baking. For now, we ask you to mark your calendar to join us and think about what you want to bring.



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

**ENSURING FAMILIES WILL HAVE DINNER
THIS CHRISTMAS LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND
"FOR IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE"**

St. Francis of Assisi

A mission that sets St. Vincent de Paul apart from other ministries is that it is home-based; that is, we make visits to the homes of the people in need in our community. During home visits, we offer spiritual support, food and other help as funds permit. During Christmas, we would like to give all families that come to us for help, food vouchers so they can buy a meal that is culturally meaningful to them. But we can't do this alone.

We need you.

Please give a generous donation on December 3rd, so we can help as many neighbours as possible.

If you wish, you can also donate non-perishable food items by December 15th.

Thank you and please keep our members and those being served in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOV. 18th TO SUNDAY, NOV. 26th

Sat 18 th	5:00 pm	Adelia Barazza Catherine Mc Intyre Fernando Patron Sr. Franca Leone and Deceased Baccari Family Melina Marchese
Sun 19 th	9:00 am	Michele & Annina Risi Mauro Ardizzi Pia Ardizzi Iolanda Florio Maria & Benito Bellissimo Antonio & Fiorina Bongiovanni Salvatore & Santa Sanzo
	10:30 am	PRO POPOLO
	12:00 pm	Rosina Caira Osias Pasion & Gertrudis Pasion Wijnandus Geldermans
Mon 20 th	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
	7:00 pm	Maddalena & Antonio Pasquariello
Tues 21 st	8:00 am	
	7:00 pm	Yearly Community Memorial Mass
Wed 22 nd	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
	7:00 pm	For the Health of Samuel & Melba Cayetuna
Thurs 23 rd	8:00 am	
	7:00 pm	Ida Lio (1 month Memorial Mass)
Fri 24 th	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
	7:00 pm	All Souls in Purgatory Carlo Corbo
Sat 25 th	5:00 pm	Rocco Vitulli Vito Pedota Kate & Josip Cerjanec Catherine Mc Intyre Elide Buset Loreta Alati Melina Marchese
Sun 26 th	9:00 am	Maria Domenica Tatangelo Giuseppe & Maria Castellucci Francesco Conforti Mauro Ardizzi Pia Ardizzi Iolanda Florio Pietro Patriarca Adolfo Molella Antonio & Fiorina Bongiovanni Radio Roscetti & Valentino Di Pompeo Nicola Di Carlo & Defunti Fam. Di Carlo
	10:30 am	
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