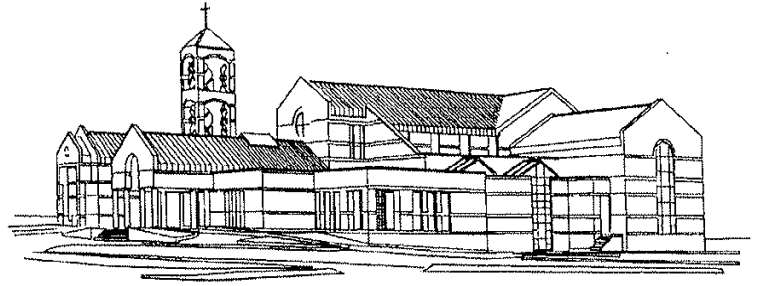


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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 20, 2022

In Loving Memory of Fr. Vito Marziliano

Fr. Vito Marziliano passed away suddenly at the age of 66 on February 12, 2022. Fr. Vito was very dear to the Immaculate Conception Parish community and the priests who serve this parish. On behalf of our parish community, we extend our most heartfelt condolences to the Mariziliano family and to Fr. Vito's many friends.

P. Vito Marziliano è venuto a mancare sabato 12 febbraio, 2022 all'età di 66 anni. P. Vito era molto caro alla comunità dell'Immacolata Concezione e I sacerdoti che servono questa parrocchia. A nome della nostra comunità parrocchiale, porgiamo le nostre più sentite condoglianze alla famiglia Marziliano e ai tanti amici di P. Vito.

Parish Office Closure

The parish office will be closed on **Monday February 21, 2022** for the Family Day Holiday. Wishing you a safe and restful long weekend!

*L'ufficio parrocchiale rimarrà chiuso **lunedì 21 febbraio, 2022** per la Giornata della Famiglia. Vi auguriamo un buon long weekend!*

Pre-Authorized Giving

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings. To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, the parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account. There are various benefits of participating in pre-authorized giving, both for you and for your parish.

Advantages for you:

- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away.
- Continual support of ministries and programs funded through the parish

Advantages for the Parish:

- Regular, dependable contributions to the parish.
- Reduction of cash on hand.
- Reduction of paperwork.

For information on how to enrol, please contact the parish office.

Income Tax Receipts

Income tax receipts for the 2021 taxation year may be picked up from the parish office during office hours.

Le ricevute delle tasse per l'anno 2021 sono pronte e possono essere ritirate in ufficio parrocchiale durante gli orari d'apertura.

Parish Donation Envelopes

If you would like to receive a box of donation envelopes or have yet to pick up your 2022 box, please contact the parish office.

Contattate l'ufficio parrocchiale se volete avere un pacchetto di buste parrocchiali o se non avete ancora ricevuto le vostre buste per il 2022.

Livestream Mass

We are currently livestreaming the Holy Mass from our parish every **Sunday at 9:30am**. Please remember to subscribe to our Parish YouTube channel for updates regarding our livestreams.



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Synod of Synodality

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. To learn more about the Synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, please visit:
www.archtoronto.org/synodality

Stewardship Reflection

In the face of today's secular culture, various Christian values may seem far too radical or outdated. Many people, with well-meaning intentions, may think that "being good" is all that matters in this life. However, the Gospel responds with the challenge to be more than good, but rather, to be holy. One of Jesus' radical messages that can help us work towards holiness is the call to love our enemies. In the time of Jesus, and even to this day, the notion of loving those who wrong us or hurt us seems like an impossible ideal. We often have a hard time loving those whom we should naturally love. How then are we expected to love our enemies? We must first realize that it is a long process to truly love them but it begins with small acts of prayer. We often wish for bad things to happen to our enemies, or at the very least, we hope things don't go well for them. We can begin to heal the unforgiveness in our hearts by praying for God to bless them. Prayer is powerful. Let us begin to pray for the good of our enemies and slowly rid ourselves of feelings of anger or hatred. For example, perhaps we can pray one Hail Mary a day for God to bless the family and work life of those whom we find it difficult to love. We can always look to the example of Christ on the cross, who boldly prayed for those who crucified him. Let us strive to be stewards of God's love and mercy.

Vocations Seeds

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Eugene.