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## A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all who struggle with hunger and want.

Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.

And let Your goodness flow through our hearts and hands as we reach out to one another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.

Amen

#### **OCTOBER 13, 2024 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** CYCLE B (MARK)

#### **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 7:7-11 Psalm 90:12-17 Hebrews 4:12-13 Mark 10:17-30

In this Missionary Month, Christ's call to follow him, to leave everything behind for the Gospel and eternal life, call us. He wants people who are poor at heart, who seek only to live by the riches of his Word, who pray to receive and radiate his wisdom. Being a disciplemissionary leads us to renounce the riches of this world and choose the only riches that can satisfy our hearts: the riches of the Lord's love, as today's psalm asks. "Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!" (Ps. 90). Pope Francis gave example of Borther Charles de Foucault who left everything to follow Christ and be a witness to his Gospel. "After living his youth being distant from God, without believing in anything other than the disordered pursuit of pleasure, he confides this to a non-believing friend, to whom, after having converted by accepting the grace of God's forgiveness in confession, he reveals the reason of his life. He writes: "I have lost my heart to Jesus of Nazareth". Brother Charles de Foucault thus reminds us that the first step in evangelizing is to have Jesus inside one's heart; it is to "fall head over heels" for him. If this does not happen, we can hardly show it with our lives. Instead, we risk talking about ourselves, the group to which we belong, a morality or, even worse, a set of rules, but not about Jesus, his love, and his mercy". (Catechesis 23. The passion for evangelization). The disciple-missionary has found the treasure of which Jesus speaks in today's Gospel. Continuing his catechesis on Charles de Foucault, The Pope speaks of this treasure: "When one of us gets to know Jesus better, the desire to make him known, to share this treasure, arises." Jesus' promise to anyone who leaves everything behind for the sake of him and the gospel is to enter eternal life, the Kingdom! This is impossible for man, but possible with God! In this Missionary Month, let us celebrate God's continuing call to all to follow him and give of ourselves for the Gospel and the Kingdom. Finally, let us allow God to make possible our desire to embrace mission wholeheartedly. This call is reflected in the theme of next Sunday, The World Mission Sunday: "God and invite everyone to the banquet" (Mat.22:9). The rich man in the Gospel who seeks eternal life has not found joy, but the sadness of materialism. On the contrary for those who have found true joy in giving everything and choosing Jesus, Pope Francis reminds us that today is an opportune moment to proclaim Jesus and the joy of the Gospel. The joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. The Cost of discipleship is personal renunciation and persecution by others. Let us continue to pray and thank God for the numerous missionary vocations for the task of evangelization to the ends of the earth.

Fr. Alex Osei, CSSp.



#### OCTOBER 12TH TO OCTOBER 19TH 2024

Sat Oct 12th 5:00pm - Natividad Germain +

Sun Oct 13th 7:30am - Natividad Germain †

9:00am - People of the Parish

10:30am - Remedios Palencia +

12:00pm - Emelda Suico Mapula †

Mon Oct 14th 8:30am - Virginia Madeiros †

Tue Oct 15th 8:30am - All Souls in Purgatory †

Wed Oct 16th 7:30pm - Mary Ann Lauzon and Joseph Arthur Lauzon +;

Paul; Harold; and Celeste Tremblay +; and for all souls in purgatory

Thurs Oct 17th 8:30am - Mary Bishop †

Fri Oct 18th 7:30pm - Neville D'Sa +

Sat Oct 19th 8:30am - Andrew & Janice Da

Costa-Schwab; Santos Ang †; deceased members of the St. Boniface Prayer Group

#### **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING WORKSHOP**



There will be an altar server's training workshop for new and current altar servers on Saturday, October 19th from 10:00am to **12:00pm in the church.** There will be a free pizza lunch provided.

These meetings are crucial to the ministry as it provides necessary

training to servers about the mass procedures as well as provide opportunities for fellowship.

#### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING Parish Office Closed**

Please note, the parish office will be closed on

Monday, October 14th for Thanksgiving.

We want to take

this opportunity to wish all our Parishioners at St. Boniface a warm and happy Thanksgiving weekend. Stay safe and healthy.

#### LIFE CHAIN—THANK YOU!

Many thanks to those who took part in Life Chain on Sunday. Your public silent vigil, signified your defence of human life.



There is always the hope that the message on your sign caught the eye of a passing motorist which resulted in the saving of a precious infant's life. May God bless you for being present and giving witness to your love for the tiny beings in the womb. Our collection from participants amounted to \$300, a generous amount that will be sent to Campaign Life Coalition.

St. Boniface Sanctity of Life Group

## TRAINING FOR PEOPLE GIVING COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The annual archdiocesan training for Lay Pastoral Visitors will be offered online on Wednesdays, Oct. 23, 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend.

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions, complete pre-homework and pass a final assessment to receive full training. There is no cost to attend but register early as capacity is limited.

#### TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT:

Saulina Amaral, samaral@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 ext. 518



#### **OUR SICK:**

Anne Dyer, Jocelyn San Juan, Amy McCordy, Roberto Ressa, Anne Smyth, Tonya Nedelkovski, Evelyn Santiago, Edgardo Ramos, Dina Sorbera, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon

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#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD RESUMES

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays of each month at the 10:30 am Mass. **The first one will be next Sunday, October 20th.** It is Geared towards children from ages 4 to 7 years of age.



#### **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20, 2024**

There will be a **second collection next weekend** for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities



globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God.

Thank you for your support of this important work.

### ST. BONIFACE RCIA COMMUNITY PRAYER

God of wonder and grace, we give you thanks for calling each one of us to embark on another exciting journey of discovery. Today, we recommit ourselves to the mission of bearing witness to our faith

through oneness in prayer.



And so, together as one family, we lift up to you St. Boniface RCIA candidates who are answering your call to "come and see." We pray that through the process of Christian Initiation, they may continue to walk in the light of your Spirit and be drawn to the beauty, the mystery, and the wonder of our faith. May they find the home that they

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, Amen.

### ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT

The Archdiocese is requesting your participation in its annual parishioner attendance survey for all parishes. This survey will take place the weekends of October 19th & 20th and October 26th & 27th 2024.

seek in the truth of the Catholic Church.



## 2024-2025 LIVING WITH CHRIST SUNDAY MISSALS

The 2024-2025 Living With Christ Sunday Missals are now on sale at the back of the church, and at the parish office. The cost is \$5.00 each.



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