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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,

For fields of grain

Gold and ripe from summer's rain,

For hillsides bright with scarlet trees

That rustle in the autumn breeze,

For friend so dear,

For those we love,

For all things sent from

heaven above...

We thank thee,

Lord.



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 10, 2021



Living the Gospel by supporting frontline workers

Day in and day out, frontline workers have been working tirelessly during the pandemic. While they are there for us, who is there for them?

Catholic Family Services agencies have served countless people who are on the front lines during the pandemic, providing counselling and support. Your gift to ShareLife is helping them cope with the stress and anxiety of being exposed to illness.

October 31 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

Our parish goal is: \$9,800

To date, we have raised: \$3,151

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Please support Good Shepherd's Thanksgiving Food Drive and help those experiencing homelessness by making a food donation. Parishioners and members of the community are encouraged to drop off donated items in the front lobby of St. Nicholas of Bari Parish until **this Tuesday, October 12**. Donations will be accepted during the week when the church is open and before/after Sunday Masses.

Items are needed: canned soups & stews, canned legumes (e.g. chickpeas, black beans), pasta sauce & canned tomatoes, canned vegetables, tuna, breakfast cereals, tea bags, packed cookies/granola bars, chocolate bars, rice, and jam.

Thank you all for your kind support."

FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Dates for this year's celebrations

First Communions

Saint Paul VI (Oct 9) : 11am-Last names A to Fed
2pm-Last names Fer to Z

Stella Maris & Others (Oct 16):

11am-Last names A to Da
2pm-Last names De to Z

Confirmations

Saint Paul VI (Oct 23): 2pm-All Families

Stella Maris & Others (Oct 30):

11am-Last names A to K
2pm-Last names M to Z

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalm: Psalm 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" —Mark 10:23

We may not consider ourselves wealthy people. But to most of the world, we are extremely wealthy. Once, a very poor man in Haiti said "If you eat every-day, you are rich." We put a lot of value on our "stuff," so much so that we begin putting our possessions before our desire to love and serve the Lord and one another. Jesus told the rich young man to sell what he owned and give to the poor. Practically speaking, Jesus probably isn't asking all of us to sell everything we have. However, we could start by looking at what our needs are and what our wants are. This can help us detach ourselves from our "stuff" and free us to attach ourselves to God and others.

Dear Lord, sometimes we get caught up in what we want to buy, where we want to eat dinner, where we should go on vacation, and more. Please help to be more concerned with sharing what we have with others who don't have as much.

REFLECTION OF STEWARDSHIP

As Christians who are called to imitate Christ, we may sometimes feel that Jesus, being God, doesn't know what it's like to struggle here on earth. However, St. Paul says "we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin." Therefore, when we face trials in our stewardship, let us turn to Jesus and ask Him to help us overcome our struggles just as He did during His time on earth.

2022 MASSES NOW AVAILABLE

The calendar of Masses for the year 2022 is available for booking. For more information call the office or come in person to book Masses.

OUR COLLECTIONS

Please consider supporting your parish, even if you are unable to come to the church!

For information on how to donate, please see our website (<https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-Us/donate>).

Thank you for your generosity!

28° DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – 10 OTTOBRE 2021



October 10 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am - Antonia Pallotta, Vittoria Albanese, For the healing of Jessica Carmen, Leon Stanco, and Rosa Stanco

10:30 - MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED - Marcella Barbiero, Eri Andrade, Luis Francisco Cordova, Edelmira, Josefa, Carlos Marcelo Martillo, Alfre Alfonso Martillo

12:00pm - Catholic Ge'ez Rite -LIVESTREAMED

October 11 Monday/Lunedì

No MASS TODAY / NON C'È MESSA

October 12 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am - Celeste e Francesco Bianco; For an end of abortion and euthanasia; Thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father for all the sacraments; For Irena's healing and acceptance of God's will; Healing of Ivette Rodas, Maria Villanueva, Ania Misko

11:00am - Catholic Ge'ez Rite

October 13 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am - Michael Tosan Nilo Shorekela; Maria e Antonio, Elio e Augusta

10:00am - SCHOOL MASS, LORETTO COLLEGE

1:00pm - SCHOOL MASS, LORETTO COLLEGE

October 14 Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am - Centracco Vittoria; For prisoners, the dying, sick, lonely, unemployed, and the poor; for the Holy Spirit's guidance upon Pope Francis and all political leaders in the world

11:00am - Catholic Ge'ez Rite

October 15 Friday/Venerdì

Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus / Memoriale di Santa Teresa di Gesù

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Tadeusz, Gienek, Krystyna, Lescek, Kristof; Repentance, confession, conversion, peace, and unity in the world; for the unborn, orphaned, and unbaptized children, all priests living and deceased, Birthday blessings upon Laura Miklas

7:30 pm - Peter Albanese



October 16 Saturday/Sabato

Memorial of St Marguerite D'Youville / Memoriale di Santa Margherita D'Youville

8:00am - Michele Liscio, In onore di San Gerardo Maiella

11:00am - FIRST COMMUNION - STELLA MARIS & OTHERS

2:00pm - FIRST COMMUNION - STELLA MARIS & OTHERS

6:30pm - MISA DE VIGILIA EN ESPAÑOL

October 17 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am - Tina Chiarella

10:30 - MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED -

12:00pm - Catholic Ge'ez Rite -LIVESTREAMED

RIFLESSIONE SULLE LETTURE

Prima Lettura: Sapienza 7:7-11

Salmo: Sal 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

Seconda Lettura: Ebrei 4:12-13

Vangelo: Marco 10:17-30



Quest'uomo sembrava avere tutto. Egli era ricco e, in più, obbediva ai comandamenti divini. Si è rivolto a Gesù perché voleva anche la vita eterna, che desiderava fosse come una assicurazione a lunga scadenza, come quella che si ottiene da una grande ricchezza. Gesù aveva già annunciato che per salvare la propria

vita bisognava essere disposti a perderla, cioè che per seguirlo occorreva rinnegare se stessi e portare la propria croce.

L'uomo era sincero e si guadagnò uno sguardo pieno d'amore da parte di Gesù: "Una sola cosa ti manca, decisiva per te. Rinuncia a possedere, investi nel tesoro del cielo, e il tuo cuore sarà libero e potrà seguirmi". Ma né lo sguardo né le parole di Gesù ebbero effetto. Quest'uomo, rattristato, certo, ha tuttavia preferito ritornare alla sicurezza che gli procurava la propria ricchezza. Non ha potuto o voluto capire che gli veniva offerto un bene incomparabilmente più prezioso e duraturo: l'amore di Cristo che comunica la pienezza di Dio. Paolo lo aveva capito bene quando scrisse: "Tutto ormai io reputo spazzatura, al fine di guadagnare Cristo... si tratta di conoscerlo e di provare la potenza della sua risurrezione..."



Vivere il Vangelo sostenendo i lavoratori in prima linea

Giorno dopo giorno, i lavoratori in prima linea hanno lavorato instancabilmente durante la pandemia. Mentre loro sono lì per noi, chi è lì per loro?

Le agenzie Catholic Family Services hanno aiutato innumerevoli persone che sono in prima linea durante la pandemia, fornendo loro assistenza e sostegno. La vostra donazione a ShareLife li sta aiutando ad affrontare lo stress e l'ansia di essere esposti alla malattia.

Il 31 Ottobre è la prossima Domenica ShareLife. Per favore, donate generosamente durante la raccolta speciale o in qualsiasi momento su sharelife.org.

Il nostro obiettivo parrocchiale è: \$9,800

Ad oggi, abbiamo raccolto: \$3,151



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