

# The Church is open for personal prayer and meditation from 7:30am to 12:00pm (Tuesday to Friday)

### Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese alle 6:45pm

#### Adorazione / Adoration

1° Venerdì del Mese First Friday of the Month 6:45pm

# ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI

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ADMINISTRATOR: Ge'ez Rite Community: Reverend Keflemariam Okbamichael Office Administrator: Nina Marino Office Assistant: Maggie Mirabelli

Lay Pastoral Associate: Matt Sardinha

#### **MESSE DOMENICALI**

9:00am : Italiano 10:30am: Inglese 12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

#### MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato 7:30pm: Mercoledì & Venerdì: Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

#### **BATTESIMI**

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

#### CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima della Messa. Altri giorni su appuntamento

#### MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

#### RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

# SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

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# SUNDAY MASSES 9:00am : Italian

10:30am: English (with Children's

Liturgy)

12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

8:00am: Tuesday to Saturday

7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial

mass (upon request)

#### **BAPTISM**

By appointment and after instruction. Parents must be registered members of our parish community

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Every day before Mass and after mass and upon request

#### **MARRIAGES**

One year notice and marriage course mandatory

#### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

#### SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

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# 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time - February 19th, 2023

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY



SUNDAY MORNINGS 10:30 AM MASS The Children's Liturgy is now resuming. As you know, this is a great opportunity for our children, as it enriches their experience of the Mass while they listen to the Sunday Gospel at their own level. Any

young adult wishing to help out in this ministry, please call the office and leave your name and phone number. Fr. Bruno will be in touch with you and you'll be invited to attend some training workshops. The Children preparing for the First Reconciliation-Communion are highly recommended to attend.

# DOUBLE BIG MAC TO SUPPORT ST. NICHOLAS



Please give your church 1 Double Big Mac every Sunday! St. Nicholas church will appreciate the donation of at least the value of 1 Double Big Mac

(\$10.00) to support the church expenses. The donation is tax deductible. Thank you for your support to your Church. God bless you!

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## Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 22nd is Ash Wednesday. If you desire, please bring back blessed palm branches from previous years to prepare ashes for the beginning of Lent. You may leave the branches in the basket at the entrance of the church. Ashes will be distributed at the

8 AM Mass and also at a special celebration at 7:30 PM. We will also have Ash Wednesday services for **Stella Maris** at 9AM; **St. Paul VI School** at 10 AM; **St. Nicholas School** (at the school) at 1:30PM, which are open to anyone. **Please remember that this is a day of fast & abstinence.** 

#### **Tax Receipts**

Tax receipts for 2022 have been mailed out. Thank you for your generosity!



First Communion
Session #5: Your First Reconciliation
Date: Thursday, March 2nd, 7-8PM
Parents and children to attend



Confirmation
Session #5: Confirmation
Date: Tuesday, February 21st, 6-8PM

#### RENT THE PARISH HALL

St. Nicholas of Bari Parish Hall is available for Rent for small parties. Please contact the Parish Office at (416) 654-8908 for more details.

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

## **Growing in Stewardship and Holiness**



Holiness and perfection. These are the ideals that the readings this Sunday call us to. In the first reading from Leviticus the Lord tells Moses, "be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy." Similarly, in the Gospel Jesus exhorts us to "be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Is Jesus calling us to an im-

possible standard? Of course not, for Jesus would not call us to something and not strengthen us to achieve it.

Many people may think that holiness is the prize for the elite reserved only for popes and bishops and saints. However, the Second Vatican Council decrees that all children of God have a universal call to holiness. The Council says that "all Christ's faithful, whatever be the conditions, duties and circumstances of their lives—and indeed through all these, will daily increase in holiness, if they receive all things with faith from the hand of their heavenly Father and if they cooperate with the divine will" (Lumen Gentium, 41).

Essentially, Lumen Gentium teaches us that we can reach holiness by gratefully acknowledging the gifts God has given us and cooperating with God in giving these gifts back for the service of the Church. This is the crux of what it means to be a steward. So we can strive for holiness through our path of stewardship. Let us take some time to reflect on how we can become better stewards in our parish community so that we may move closer, through God's grace, towards holiness.

#### Welcome, Bishop-designate Frank Leo!



On behalf of Father Bruno, our staff team, and the entire St. Nicholas of Bari parish community, we congratulate and welcome Archbishop-designated Frank Leo on being appointed the new Archbishop of Toronto by Pope Francis! We pray that Christ will guide

him as the spiritual leader of Canada's largest diocese.

#### Thank you, Cardinal Collins!



The St. Nicholas of Bari parish community would like to thank our Archbishop, Thomas Cardinal Collins, for his selfless and faithful service to the Archdiocese of Toronto. His magnetic faith has always been felt by every-

one who met him and his impact in Toronto will last for generations! We wish him a blessed upcoming retirement.

Our Collections - February 12, 2023 Offering: \$1,288.30

Thank you for your generosity!

# 7º Domenica del Tempo Ordinario - 19 febbraio 2023



# February 19 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am - Nicola Imeneo; Antonio Cirillo, Bruno, Concetta e Francesco; Michele Iannetta e defunti famiglia

10:30am -

12:00pm - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

# February 20 Monday/Lunedì

- Non c'è messa oggi

## February 21 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am – Maria Antonia e Carmine Cutillo; Repose of the soul of Florencio Perez, Gina, Flor de Maria Perez de Gonzalez, Darlin Conrad, for all persecuted Christians in the world, for the generosity of St. Nicholas's parishioners

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

6:00pm-8:00pm - Confirmation - Session #5

# February 22 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am - Ash Wednesday (Italian & English)

9:00am - Ash Wednesday - Stella Maris School & Loretto College

10:00am - Ash Wednesday - St. Paul VI School

1:30pm - Ash Wednesday - St. Nicholas School (at the school)

7:30pm-Memorial Mass - Maria Faustina Bicho Cunha With distribution of ashes (Italian & English)

#### February 23 Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Gina, Florencio Perez, Darlin Conrad, Repentance, confession for the families of Carlos, Mauricio, Karla, Austin, Ivette, Arturo, Moshen, Dinora, God's help upon Ania

11:00am - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

# February 24 Friday/Venerdì

8:00am - Repose of the soul of Rev. Priest Miro, Justina Chibua, Stella Chibua, Egle Judith Cove, Repentance, confession for the families of Ania, Julian, Michael, Luana, Paul Michael, Alice, for the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake, God's help upon Ania, Healing of Heide Park, Mary Wahba, Hipolita Medrano, Florence Parker

6:45pm - Via Crucis (Mass in Italian)

7:30pm - Memorial Mass - Giovanni laquinta

## February 25 Saturday/Sabato

8:00am - Healing upon Ruth Parra, Heide Park, Gina Pinargote, Diego Castaño, Mary Wahba, Otto Rivera 6:30pm - Spanish Group Mass

#### February 26 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am - Famiglia Calabrese e Famiglia Carini; Antonio Mottola, Nicola Rosa, Pasquale, Rosalinda Laverghetta, Vincenzo de Gregorio, Pasquale de Gregorio, Luigi Montedorisio, Antonio Marino, Rocco, Pasquale, Antonietta e Carmela de Gregorio 10:30am -

12:00 pm - Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

#### Letture

Prima lettura: Levitico 19:1-2, 17-18 2a lettura: 1 Corinzi 3:16-23 Vangelo: Matteo 5:38-48



#### Crescere nell'amministrazione e nella santità

Santità e perfezione. Sono questi gli ideali a cui ci richiamano le letture di questa domenica. Nella prima lettura dal Levitico il Signore dice a Mosè: "Sii santo, perché io, il Signore tuo Dio, sono santo". Allo stesso modo, nel Vangelo Gesù ci esorta a "essere perfetti come è perfetto il Padre vostro celeste". Gesù ci sta chiamando a uno standard impossibile? Certo che no,

perché Gesù non ci chiamerebbe a qualcosa e non ci rafforzerebbe per raggiungerla.

# Benvenuto, vescovo designato Frank Leo!



A nome di padre Bruno, del nostro staff e dell'intera comunità parrocchiale di San Nicola di Bari, diami gli auguri e Benvenuto al Arcivescovo designato Frank Leo per essere stato nominato da Papa Francesco nuovo Arcivescovo di Toronto! Preghiamo che Cristo lo guidi

come guida spirituale della più grande diocesi del Canada.

#### Grazie, Cardinale Collins!



La comunità parrocchiale di San Nicola di Bari desidera ringraziare il nostro vescovo, Thomas Cardinal Collins, per il suo servizio disinteressato e fedele all'arcidiocesi di Toronto. La sua fede magnetica è sempre stata percepita da chiunque lo abbia incontrato e il suo impatto a Toronto durerà per generazioni! Gli auguriamo un im-

minente pensionamento benedetto.

#### Mercoledì delle Ceneri



Quest'anno, celebreremo le Sante Ceneri Mercoledì 22 febbraio. All'entrata della chiesa, abbiamo preparato un cestino nel quale accogliere palme benedette degli anni scorsi. Queste verrano bruciate per ottenre le Sante Ceneri.

Messa: 8:00am e 7:30pm; Stella Maris e Loretto College: 9:00AM; St. Paul VI school: 10:00AM; St. Nicholas School: 1:30PM (In scuola). Ricordiamo che il Mercoledì delle Ceneri e il Venerdì Santo sono giorni di digiuno e astinenza

#### 2 caffè Cappuccino per la Chiesa



La Chiesa di San Nicola ha bisogno di 2 caffè Cappuccino ogni domenica. Si chiede di offrire alla tua chiesa almeno il valore di 2 tasse di Cappuccino (10 dollari) ogni domenica per le spese della chiesa. Riceverai alla fine dell'anno la ricevuta fiscale. Grazie

per il tuo sostegno alla tua chiesa! Dio ti benedica!

#### COMMUNIONE & CONFESSIONE PER GLI AMALATI

Si ricorda alle persone impossibilitate ad uscire di casa che, se lo desiderano, possono rivolgersi a Padre Bruno per ricevere la Santa Comunione e Confessione a casa.

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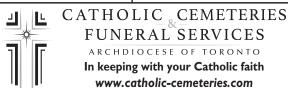
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