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## PASTOR

Rev. Carlos A. Sierra T.



## COORDINATOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

Attila Jagodits



## PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Maria Frassica



## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. (Italian)

11:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

## WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASSES

Monday - Friday 12:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

*Mass is celebrated at 9:00 a.m.  
on weekday statutory holidays.*

## DEVOTIONALS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Mass & Novena

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.

Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

## ROSARY

Monday - Friday 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Those interested in having their child(ren) baptized must contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples engaged to be married must contact the Parish office one year in advance.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### ST. BRIGID CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Principal: David Hogan

Telephone: (416) 393-5235

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## 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians. In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

### LABOUR DAY: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Please note that the Parish office will be closed all day on **Monday, September 3rd** and **Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel at 9:00 am**. On behalf of Father Carlos Sierra, we wish you all a happy, safe and blessed long weekend.

### PRAYER TO BEGIN A SCHOOL YEAR

*God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### EXCERPT FROM CARDINAL COLLINS ON THE ISSUE OF CLERGY ABUSE

***"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it."***

In recent days, there has been much media attention regarding the Pennsylvania grand jury report on clerical abuse in that state. In response to this and other global accounts of abuse within the Church, Pope Francis has issued a letter to the faithful. It is an important communication for all, but most importantly, should be studied by bishops, priests and anyone in a position of leadership in the Church. We recognize that since the days of Judas, some of those entrusted by Our Lord with the sacred apostolic mission have turned away toward evil. To our shame, some clergy have used the gift of the holy priesthood to betray innocent young lives through abuse and control. We have seen examples of this even among bishops; a sickening display of power, lust and self-centeredness. We must ensure that there is a culture of accountability for all who serve in leadership within the Church. Bishops, both in Canada and throughout the world, must model the behaviour, transparency and accountability we expect of our priests. We must lead by example, through a life centered on Jesus, to serve with integrity as shepherds, pastors and spiritual fathers...

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE: HUMANITARIAN RELIEF – KERALA, INDIA

In late July, the state of Kerala, India was devastated by severe flooding due to unusually high rainfall during the monsoon season. Over 10,000 kms of roads have been ruined and more than 20,000 homes destroyed. In an effort to support people in Kerala who have been impacted by this disaster, the Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting funds that will be channeled through the Kerala Catholic Bishops' Council. Funds will be used initially to provide food, drinking water, clothes and medicine to people who have been displaced. In the long term, funds will be used for the reconstruction of communities. **Those wishing to help may do so by putting a donation in the Humanitarian Relief envelopes provided on the pew.**

### CONFIRMATION COURSE FOR ADULTS AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS STARTING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Calling all adults and secondary school students who have been Baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. We will be holding four Saturday sessions from **10:00 am to 12:00 Noon** starting **September 22nd**. The three subsequent Saturday sessions will take place on **September 29th, October 20th, and 27th**. If you are interested please contact the Parish office.

## CAR AND BIKE SHOW

### LE PARC BANQUET HALL – PARKING LOT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 / 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Please join us for our annual **CAR AND BIKE SHOW** on **Sunday, September 9th** at **Le Parc Banquet Hall (Parking Lot)** and help support St. Brigid's Catholic Church and the Feast of the Assumption. Anyone interested in showcasing their vehicle(s) may do so or join us and enjoy the displayed vehicles (old and new). All are welcome. **The event will be held from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm!**

**ADMISSION IS FREE! Cash BBQ lunch, musical entertainment, raffle draws, bouncy castle, ice cream truck and lots more.** Bring your family and friends and enjoy this fun-filled day!

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

### ONLY ONE MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 11:00 AM PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY

We are preparing the Parish Pastoral Assembly for all parishioners. This is an opportunity to get to know what we have accomplished in all the pastoral areas of the parish. This will take place on **Sunday, September 23rd, immediately following the Mass and just before the community picnic and BBQ.**

### COMMUNITY PICNIC & BBQ

Following our tradition of gathering together as a united community, we invite everyone to our annual community picnic & BBQ to be held on **Sunday, September 23rd**. The cost for each ticket is \$5.00. To obtain your tickets, please

see an usher after each Mass OR call the parish office. We look forward to seeing you there! **NOTE: Only one Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am in English and Italian.**

If you are interested in helping us to prepare for our annual event or if you would like to share your favourite **desserts** with the community, or if you are interested in showcasing your musical talents, please contact the parish office at: **(416) 696-8660 or e-mail us at: stbrigid@rogers.com.**

### WEEKLY & MONTHLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on August 26th, 2018 was **\$2,738.45**. The P.A.G. collection for the month of August was **\$5,124.10**. **Please remember St. Brigid's Church in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)!**

### XXII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO / B

In base a questa polemica di Gesù contro il fariseismo gretto si è finito col dare a questo nome, originariamente sinonimo di pietà e di perfezione, il significato di ipocrisia, di osservanza esteriore e priva di convinzioni. Eppure questo è fare un torto a delle persone che nelle loro intenzioni e alle origini erano sincere. Cristo ha degli amici tra i farisei. Paolo stesso è uno di loro. Severi custodi dell'osservanza in un'epoca di fortissima influenza pagana, essi erano stati i salvatori dell'anima del popolo. Per preservare questa anima i farisei avevano attenuato notevolmente le aspettative e le speranze messianiche, ritenute politicamente pericolose; avevano accentuato, invece, le pratiche cultuali, dando loro la precedenza sui doveri della fraternità umana e della giustizia sociale.

### FESTA DEL LAVORO: LUNEDÌ, 3 SETTEMBRE

Si prega di notare che l'ufficio parrocchiale sarà chiuso tutto il giorno il **Lunedì, 3 Settembre** e la Messa sarà celebrata nella Cappella alle 9:00 am.

### MESSAGGIO DALL'ARCIVESCOVO THOMAS COLLINS

*Ai sacerdoti e fedeli dell'Arcidiocesi di Toronto: Cristo, nostro Buon Pastore, è il modello di tutti i sacerdoti, i quali sono chiamati ad essere santi ministri del Signore Risorto. Questi giorni di Pasqua, giorni di speranza, sono stati, purtroppo, penosi per tutti noi Cattolici. Non è trascorso un giorno, nelle ultime settimane, senza sentire di sacerdoti cattolici che hanno abusato sessualmente di quelli affidati alle loro cure, o della mancanza, da parte dei loro superiori, a trattare in modo giusto questo problema. Dovremmo essere sempre grati quando il male viene rivelato, perché può portare al rinnovamento; davanti a queste continue critiche, i sacerdoti cattolici e i fedeli possono sentirsi scoraggiati, arrabbiati, confusi e pieni di vergogna. E allora vi offro queste riflessioni. Noi formiamo una Chiesa con più di un miliardo di cattolici, sparsi in tutto il mondo. Godiamo della testimonianza fedele data a Cristo dai Cattolici: laici, sacerdoti e religiosi; però, quando manchiamo, individualmente o come comunità, allora dobbiamo riconoscerlo. C'è un motivo molto buono perché Gesù ha dato ai suoi discepoli il Sacramento della Riconciliazione come dono di Pasqua. Tutti ne abbiamo bisogno...*

## DOMENICA 23 SETTEMBRE

### ASSEMBLEA PASTORALE E PICNIC

#### CI SARÀ UNA SOLA MESSA ALLE 11:00 AM

Seguendo la nostra tradizione di radunarci insieme come una sola comunità unita, vi invitiamo tutti alla nostra Assemblea Pastorale annuale e Picnic ~ **Domenica, il 23 Settembre**. Il prezzo per ogni biglietto è \$5.00.

Abbiamo bisogno di **VOLONTARI** per aiutare a preparare per questo grande evento. Se siete interessati ad aiutare, si prega di contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale: **(416) 696-8660**.

### COLLETTA SETTIMANALE E MENSILE

La colletta regolare della settimana 26 Agosto 2018 e' stata **\$2,738.45**. La raccolta di P.A.G. per il mese di Agosto è stata **\$5,124.10**. Grazie per la vostra contribuzione per aiutare alle spese della chiesa. Dio vi recompense. **Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrocchia può essere "il terzo figlio della carità" nel vostro testamento?**

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, September 1st

- 9:00 a.m. +Maria De Manche, req. by the Parish
- 5:00 p.m. +Rhonalynne Mae Palma, req. by Joven & Mida Fernandez

### Sunday, September 2nd

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. Benedizione Speciale per Marta Grande Delle Fave, req. by Pasquina & Joe Bavaro  
Per Tutti i Defunti Della Famiglia Lombardi, req. by Pasqualina Villacci  
+Virgilio Distasio, req. by the Wife Maria Distasio  
+Giovanni Spada, req. by Visconti Family  
+Santo Visconti, req. by Antonietta Visconti & Family  
+Tindaro & Antonia Gumina, req. by the Family  
+Eugenio Altomare, req. by Giuseppina & Family  
+Franco Amati, req. by Lucia Loizzo  
+Lisa Mandarino & Tina Bellino, req. by Guido & Maria Carpino
- 11:00 a.m. +Giovanni & Maria Naccarato, req. by Joe Naccarato  
+Emilia Frassica, req. by the Family

### Monday, September 3rd (Labour Day) ~ St. Gregory the Great

- 9:00 a.m. For all the Deceased Members of our Community

### Tuesday, September 4th ~ BL. Diana Bélanger

- 12:00 p.m. +Michael & Josephine Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande
- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Marco Lobo, req. by the Family

### Wednesday, September 5th

- 12:00 p.m. In Onore Della Madonna Delle Lacrime, req. by Lucia Del Grande
- 6:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours
- 7:00 p.m. **Novena Mass:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### Thursday, September 6th

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- 12:00 p.m. +Angelo Cornacchia & Antonietta Cagna, req. by Gilda Cornacchia

### Friday, September 7th

- 12:00 p.m. For All the Souls in Purgatory, req. by Maria Calo & Family

### Saturday, September 8th ~ The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 9:00 a.m. +Paolo Calo, req. by Maria Calo & Family
- 12:00 p.m. **Wedding Mass:** Michele Galvao & Alexandra Di Stefano
- 5:00 p.m. +Teresa & Crescenzio Ruggiero, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero  
+Angela Ferrari, req. by her Mother & the Family



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