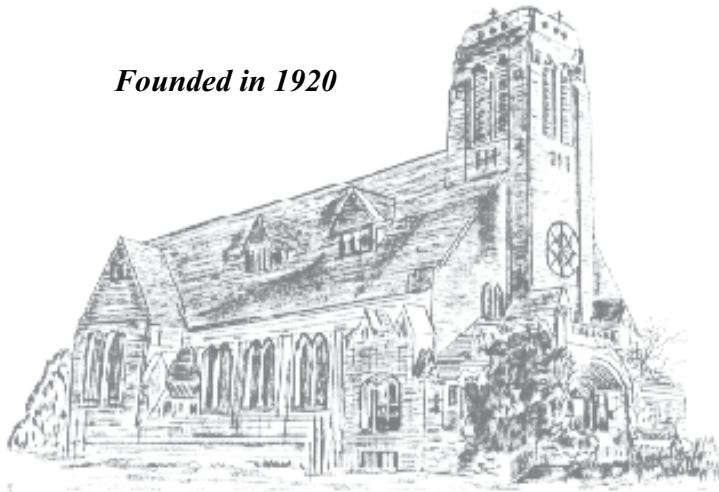


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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

9:45 a.m. (Italian)

11:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

## DAILY 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

Please contact the Parish office  
to set up a time to see the pastor

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*\*Seasonal Schedule*

## 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 at least one year in advance.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### ST. BRIGID CATHOLIC SCHOOL

50 Woodmount Avenue, Toronto, ON M4C 3X9

Principal: Kimberley Blanchet

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## ST. BRIGID'S OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And they went away in the boat to a lonely place by themselves. Now many saw them going, and knew them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great throng, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things (Mk 6:32-34).

### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CARDINAL THOMAS COLLINS

These past several weeks have seen a continuous flow of information and public outcry regarding the history of residential schools in Canada. In the coming weeks and months, we can also anticipate more news and opinions that will be most challenging and unsettling for many, including our clergy and staff. We have also seen acts of vandalism and violence against Catholic churches throughout the country in recent days.

A recent poll suggested that only 10% of Canadians have a thorough understanding of the history of residential schools. In addition to resources like the *Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report*, we have prepared a webpage at: [www.archtoronto.org/residentialschools](http://www.archtoronto.org/residentialschools) with numerous resources available. I am also including a link to our most recent resource, a lengthier frequently asked questions document that you may find helpful. It is available online at: <https://bit.ly/3r4L5GW>.

***Let us pray for the children who died in residential schools throughout Canada and for all those impacted by this tragedy, that there may be healing founded on truth and that the Spirit will inspire our ongoing commitment to reconciliation. We pray to the Lord.***

### CCCB'S RESPONSE TO THE RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS ISSUE

**From Msgr. Frank Leo, Jr. General Secretary:** Since the discovery of 215 unmarked graves at the former Indian Residential School in Kamloops, BC, the Church in Canada, at all levels, has come under enormous pressure in various forms and from various quarters, including all three levels of government, news media locally and nationally, Indigenous leadership, and the general public, including the Catholic faithful.

The purpose of this message is to inform you, in general terms, of the work which has been taking place behind the scenes at the CCCB since the Kamloops discovery and of the opportunities foreseen for communal discussion and discernment going forward:

Since the discovery in Kamloops, the Bishops Working Group on Indigenous Initiatives and the members of the Executive Committee have been meeting via videoconference almost daily to reflect on the urgent situation. Conversations are also being held with the Holy See regarding this matter.

The President has convoked a special meeting of the Permanent Council to discuss IRS gravesites, fundraising

initiatives/requests, media and political pressure, and the repeated request for a papal apology on Canadian soil.

The CCCB Secretariat has contacted three crisis management firms to assist the Conference navigate through this critical situation.

A significant block of time has been reserved on the schedule of the upcoming meeting of the Plenary Assembly to discuss and discern together our common efforts toward reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.

### ROADMAP FOR REOPENING PLAN: STEP 3

Last week, the provincial government approved that as of Friday, July 16th, we will be moving to Step 3 of the “*Roadmap for Reopening*” plan. Following are the updated guidelines from the Archdiocese of Toronto:

**For Sacramental celebrations:** There is no capacity limit for places of worship. However, physical distancing of 2 meters is still required between parishioners attending Mass who are not from the same household.

**For funerals:** The Bereavement Authority of Ontario is no longer implementing a maximum capacity restriction for funerals. Similar to other Sacramental celebrations, there are no capacity restrictions for funerals as long as 2 meters of physical distancing can be maintained between attendees who are not from the same household.

We are ensuring that the WorshipSafe guidelines are followed. The usage of masks indoors will continue at this time, even for those who are fully vaccinated.

**Congregational singing** is not permitted at this time; however, a cantor or small choir may be utilized if participants are 3 meters from one another and any member of the congregation.

**Livestreaming of services** will continue and the dispensation from the Sunday obligation continues. The elderly and those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be encouraged to exercise caution about any outings, including attendance at Church.

We are hopeful that in the weeks ahead, we will be able to remove additional restrictions that have been in place over the past year. Thank you once again for your patience and flexibility as we care for the faithful and one another.

### FIRST ANNUAL DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY: SUNDAY, JULY 25

Next Sunday, July 25th, is the First Annual “*Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*” promulgated by Pope Francis.



**Pope Francis’ message to the elderly:** Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers, Dear Elderly Friends, “**I am with you**”

**always**” (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. **“I am with you always”** are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on the first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!

## **SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN 2021**

### **LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED**

During the week of August 23rd, a letter from our pastor, Fr. Carlos Sierra will be sent to our parishioners who have not responded to this year's Cardinal's appeal but have made a donation to ShareLife within the past two years.

Your ShareLife gift helps people of all ages, ethnicities, and backgrounds in our communities. To learn more about the different groups of programs funded through ShareLife please visit: <https://sharelife.org/>.

Thank you to those who have contributed to our annual appeal. So far, we have raised **\$20,901.00** toward our goal of **\$27,500**. **The next ShareLife collection will be taking place on October 2nd and 3rd.**

## **ST. BRIGID'S OUT OF THE COLD TAKE AWAY MEALS PROGRAM**

Our St. Brigid's Out of the Cold Take Away Meals Program continues to prepare nutritious meals and distributing them with socks and toiletry items to those in need. **If you would like to make a donation of non-perishable food items or if you would like to make a financial donation, please contact the Parish office.** All your contributions go a long way in helping our brothers and sisters in need.

## **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SUNDAY, AUGUST 15 AT 11:00 AM**

On Sunday, August 15th at 11:00 am, we will be celebrating a Solemn Mass in honour of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Mass will be celebrated in both English and Italian. We welcome you and your family to join us. The Mass will also be livestreamed on Facebook.

## **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

The regular collection for the week ending on July 11th was **\$2,070.00**. Please **remember St. Brigid's Parish in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.).**

## **XVI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO**

Il pastore è una guida che ama. È un uomo forte capace di difendere il suo gregge contro le bestie feroci; ed è pure delicato verso le sue pecore, conoscendo il loro stato, adattandosi alla loro situazione, portandole sulle sue braccia, amando teneramente l'una o l'altra «come una figlia». La sua autorità è indiscussa, fondata sulla devozione e sull'amore. Ma spesso l'autorità diventa una tentazione. Di fatto i pastori d'Israele si sono rivelati infedeli alla loro

missione. Non hanno cercato la via, si sono rivoltati contro di lui non occupandosi del gregge, ma pascendo se stessi, lasciando che le pecore si smarrissero e si disperdessero.

## **COLLETTA SETTIMANALE**

La colletta regolare del 11 Luglio e' stata **\$2,070.00**. **Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrocchia puo' essere “il terzo figlio della carità” nel vostro testamento?**

## **MASS INTENTIONS / INTENZIONI DELLA MESSA**

### **Saturday, July 17th**

- 9:00 a.m. +Matilda Mary Chaisson, req. by the Parish
- 5:00 p.m. +Robert Edward James, Santiago Quintana, Paul Strabec & Robert Coffey, req. by Maria Quintana  
+Eugenio Volpe & Concetta Morra, req. by Maria Angino

### **Sunday, July 18th**

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**  
+Camille Waywell, req. by the Parish
- 9:45 a.m. Per le Anime del Purgatorio, req. by Nicola & Chiara Grande  
+Agatina Rubera, req. by Carmelo Rubera & Family  
+Mario Renda, req. by the Paladino Family  
+Antonio Meglio, req. by the Gruppo di Preghiera di San Pio di Pietralcina della Chiesa di Santa Brigida  
+Giuseppe & Rosa Moncada, Salvatore Mallia & Rocco Pidonto, req. by the Family  
+Michelina Maraia & Nardino Perrina, req. by Schiavo Family
- 11:00 a.m. For all the deceased members of the Romano & Dwyer Families, req. by Lisa & Brian Dwyer  
+Maria Calo, req. by the Children  
+Paolina Gesualdo & Concetta Brancato, req. by Donato & Giovanna Filardi

### **Monday, July 19th**

- 12:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of the St. Brigid's community

### **Tuesday, July 20th ~ St. Apollinaris**

- 12:00 p.m. For the repose of the souls of all the children at former Indian Residential Schools, req. by the Parish  
Special 25th Wedding Anniversary blessing for Steve & Sylvia McDonald

- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Rosa Spataro, req. by the Camera Family

### **Wednesday, July 21st ~ St. Lawrence of Brindisi**

- 12:00 p.m. +Veronique Rapatel, req. by Emily Salmins

### **Thursday, July 22nd ~ St. Mary Magdalene**

- 12:00 p.m. For the repose of the souls of all the children at former Indian Residential Schools, req. by the Parish

### **Friday, July 23rd ~ St. Bridget**

- 12:00 p.m. +Luis Calleja, req. by the Parish

### **Saturday, July 24th ~ St. Sharbel Makhluf**

- 9:00 a.m. For the repose of the souls of those who died from COVID
- 5:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of St. Catherine of Siena

God our Father, we bring before you today those who suffer from illness or disability—those whose lives are profoundly affected by their illness. When they feel fragile and broken, remind them that you call them by name and hold them in the palm of your hand. **We pray for all those suffering from illnesses, for their families, friends, and for those who care for them.**


## **JOIN OUR MASSES - LIVE ON FACEBOOK**

Please join us live on our St. Brigid's Facebook page every Sunday at 11:00 am and every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:00 Noon for our livestream Masses. Simply click on this link: [www.facebook.com/pg/stbrigidchurch/videos](http://www.facebook.com/pg/stbrigidchurch/videos)

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