

DOERS OF THE TRUTH

Do you want to live? Just follow the instructions, the commandments and the ordinances given by the maker, the Creator. Be careful not to take “human traditions” as commandments of God. And you should not add or take away any detail of my commandments.

DOING THE TRUTH! It is not enough to know the truth; we must do it.

The first step is to know the whole truth. Many problems and many mistakes happen today because we do not know the truth of the law of God. Many times, we consider the law of God what is only a human tradition or a social custom. But many other times we consider simple tradition what it really is the Law of God. We must have an “informed conscience” which will be able to guide our life according to the truth. Most of the times our conscience will be good enough to guide us; but many times, the social and cultural ideologies of the time will be able to confuse even a good conscience. Ignorance in this field is not acceptable, as ignorance in the driving rules is not acceptable if you want to avoid dangerous accidents. If you want to live, says the Lord, you must follow the instructions, the commandments of the Lord.

But the most important thing to do is to do what is expected of us. I may know the driving rules, but what is it, if I do not follow them? What good is it to know that I have cancer, if then I do not follow the doctor’s orders? We must be DOERS of the truth, not only experts of the truth.

“This people honor me with the lips, but their hearts are far from me” says Jesus. You abandon the commandments of God and hold to human tradition. Isn’t it what we do today in our lives? We follow the human traditions and customs presented to us by the media, but we do not follow the commandments of God!

Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021 **St. Augustine**

8:00am + Manuel, Maria & Gilberta Veivieros
12:00pm WEDD: Michael Fusillo & Chanel Danbrook
6:00pm + Carl Ellioff

Sunday, Aug. 29 **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am + Lucy Fernandes
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
1:00pm + Aurora Arellano
4:00pm + Mima & Franco Giordano
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, Aug. 30

8:00am Thanksgiving from a Parishioner
7:00pm + Lina Mancini

Tuesday, Aug. 31

8:00am + Oswald & Marguerite Lobo
7:00pm + Santos Arevalo

Wednesday, Sept. 1

8:00am + Oswald & Marguerite Lobo
6:00pm *Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*
7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, Sept. 2

8:00am + Jeanne & Rod Gaudette
7:00pm In thanksgiving from Lorraine Lobo
8:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Friday, Sept. 3 **St. Gregory the Great**

8:00am Thanksgiving for graces & blessings from
Tom & Una Green
7:00pm Giovanna, Vincenzo, Guido & Paolina
Ciminelli
7:30pm *ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament*

Saturday, Sept. 4

8:00am + Sabina Maksimowski
6:00pm + Emilio & Giuseppina Morao

Sunday, Sept. 5 **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am In thanksgiving for 80th Birthday of
Collin linley
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
1:00pm + Georgina Arayata Arca
In honour to Our Lady of Refuge
4:00pm + Joseph Racioppo
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

El JUEVES 2 de Septiembre, 2021 (8:00 pm), participaremos en la SANTA MISA en ESPAÑOL.

El Viernes 3 de Septiembre, 2021. Es el PRIMER VIERNES del mes. Por lo tanto, NO HABRÁ ASAMBLEA VIRTUAL DE ORACIÓN Y ALABANZA del grupo de la Renovación Carismática Católica Hispana parroquial, para que participemos en la SANTA MISA (7:00 pm) y ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA (7:30 pm, en INGLÉS.

DE LUNES A VIERNES ESTÁ EXPUESTO el SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO EN EL TEMPLO de 8:30 am a 5:30 pm. Dediquemos un tiempo para la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA INDIVIDUAL.

HOY, rezaremos el SANTO ROSARIO (5:30 pm) y luego participaremos en la SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL (6:00 pm).

Los siguientes son los enlaces del Internet para participar VIRTUALMENTE en la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA, el SANTO ROSARIO y la SANTA MISA:

<https://www.facebook.com/parroquiasantacatalina.desiema.9>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpfixRYsl7vLmI4hDDWEmNA>

<https://stcatherine.ca/live-mass/>

THIS WEEKEND

THIS SUNDAY: As announced last week we will have a special collection for **HAITI**.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY – This weekend (August 28-29) we will offer a cup of coffee after mass, outside under the tent. The idea is to have an opportunity to meet new friends. Sometimes we see each other at mass every Sunday and we not even know each other's name. You may just stop and say hello.

PARISH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS.

1 – We will continue the **BIBLE CLASS** every Thursday evening at 7:30pm with “Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible” guided by Fr. Tiziano. You may follow this week (August 26) in person at Zanon Hall, or streaming or by Zoom: 836 4620 6928 (Code: 388125)

2 – The Adult Spiritual Formation will continue every Tuesday evening at 7:30pm with the new program **ON PRAYER** (From the FORMED platform) guided by Fr. Walter. If you come in person you will also receive the copy of the Guide; you may also follow in streaming or in Zoom: 836 4620 6928 (Code: 388125).

3 – **FEAST OF THE NATIVITY** of our Blessed Mother: The Novena will start next week on Monday, August 30th. We will have the Rosary at 6:15pm, followed by NOVENA PRAYER and the Holy Mass. In the Morning we will have the Novena Prayer after the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. On September 8 we will have the morning Mass followed by breakfast and Word sharing; in the evening after the evening mass we will have fellowship with cake for the birthday for our Mother.

4 – **ALTAR SERVERS MONTHLY MEETING** and Instructions. On September the 10th, the second Friday of the month, we will have the Monthly Altar Servers meeting, both the new and the old. We will start at 6:30pm with the Rosary, the Holy Mass and

then Prayers and INSTRUCTIONS in church followed by Pizza downstairs. All should be over by 9:00pm. ALL ARE INVITED.

5 – **SEPTEMBER 11** – GREAT PARISH ASSEMBLY on the New Evangelization. We will start at 2:00pm of SATURDAY afternoon and will finish at 6:00pm with Holy Mass in church. Details will follow, but now please mark your calendar.

WHAT IS THE NEW EVANGELIZATION?

At the turn of the millennium (year 2000) St. John Paul II has launched for the Catholic Church the NEW EVANGELIZATION. Actually, “evangelization” means to bring the good news of the Gospel to people who do not know it; while the “new” evangelization is to bring the good news of the Gospel to those who have received it but have forgotten or abandoned it. These are the people who have been baptized and in many occasions received also the sacraments, but they never entered into a deep relationship with the living God, through Jesus Christ.

Jesus said that “those who believe and will be baptized will be saved”. Our church has put the carriage in front of the horse. We have been very occupied by giving the sacraments to people, but less occupied about making real believers. In many occasions our good people believe because they have been told so, but they never really encounter the person of Jesus Christ. This is the aim of the “new evangelization”; to hear again the good news, through a personal encounter with Jesus. Somehow we re-start our process of becoming disciples of Jesus Christ.

This entails a serious reflection on all aspects of our pastoral activity as a Christian community. Why is it that after baptism parents do not continue in teaching the faith to their children? Why is it that after first communion, children do not come to mass any longer? Why is it that after confirmation our young men and women abandon their Christian formation? Why is it that more than a half of our young catholic couples do not remain faithful to their marriage vows? Why is it that we have a crisis in the priesthood and religious life?

Maybe we need another Pentecost, to rekindle the fire of our faith and love for God. Maybe we need another encounter with the real person of the living God. This is what we would like for our parish, this is the NEW EVANGELIZATION. Come on September 11 and let us find new ways in which we can revitalize our catholic faith in our catholic community.

PS – **HELPING THE POOR** - For a few weeks now, you have seen poor people begging at the entrance of the church door on Sunday. We ask you NOT to give money because it is only an invitation to come back next week. We assure you that we help the poor. Every month we give \$700.00 to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, who is helping those in real need. By giving outside the door, you are not helping; you are only enticing them to come back for more. The right way to help is for them to come to the office during the week and we will see the best way we can help them.