

“Moved with pity!”**And holy Excuses**

In today's Gospel a lawyer asked Jesus how to “gain eternal life”. Jesus answered the normal, legal way of the Law of Moses and then He presented his “normal law” with the example of the “good Samaritan”. Let us analyze the account:

1 – A man is going down from Jerusalem to Jericho. We can see in him most of us, who after a great spiritual experience in the temple of Jerusalem we now are going “down” the drain, down in our life, down in our joy, down in our faith.

2 – Almost always such a man falls in the hands of robbers. That is also our story, since we fall in the hands of robbers: those who rob us of our peace; those who rob us of our dignity; those who rob us of our soul. And we fall!

3 – Fortunately there are other people walking the same road! Here we have three categories: the religious people, the good people and the strangers moved with pity.

4 – The religious person (the Priest), relies completely on the laws and traditions. He cannot contaminate his reputation with sinners; he has an important job to do at the temple; he has no time or hides under the schedule of the office. They are all good reasons and even “holy reasons”, but they miss the whole point, which is to be moved in the heart and take care of the needy.

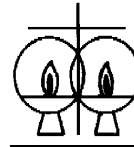
5 – The good person (Levite) follows the example of the priest, as he is supposed to do; he is trying to follow the law, as he was taught, and stay away from the danger of becoming impure for the service at the temple. Again, his care is for the Law and not for the people in need. He is missing the whole point of the Law; he has good excuses, but he is still far away from the Kingdom of God.

6 – The Samaritan is a person despised by the Jews; a person forbidden to talk to (Remember the woman at the well?) A person intermingled with questionable people, following a wrong tradition of faith, being on the wrong side of the honorable society, but HE HAS MERCY, which is missing on both previous religious people.

He not only helps the poor man, but he heals him, he offers even his animal to transport him to the inn and takes care of all his needs. Not only that, but he pays even for his future needs, promising the innkeeper to pay for everything at his return. What a service!

But, WHO IS OUR SAMARITAN? Yes, JESUS himself; He was not a priest or a Levite of the temple, but a “Galilean” of questionable origin! But He is the one who has pity, compassion; the one who is taking care of us and the one who will pay all our expenses at His return. WHAT A SERVICE!!!

Are we able to be good Samaritans, like Jesus?

**MASS
INTENTIONS****Saturday, July 9, 2022 St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions**

8:00am Thanksgiving for 55th Wedding

Anniversary of Joseph & Agnes Rocha

6:00pm † Giuseppe La-Cute

Sunday, July 10 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am † Deceased of Dragunajty's Family

Thanksgiving for Rouel & Bernadette

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm † Michele Sanfilippo

4:00pm † Mumtaz & Fakira Bourachi, &

Farouk Sukkar

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, July 11 St. Benedict

8:00am Thanksgiving for favors received

7:00pm † Maria Julieta Pacheco

Tuesday, July 12

8:00am † Francesco Perri

7:00pm † MaryJane Roach

Wednesday, July 13 St. Henry

8:00am † Anna Bakes

6:00pm Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help

7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, July 14 St. Kateri Tekawitha

8:00am Thanksgiving for Wilson

7:00pm † Frank Pinto

8:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Friday, July 15 St. Bonaventure

8:00am † Leucadio & Eva Colasante, Giuliana

& Fulgida Valsi

7:00pm † Augustine & Theresamal

Saturday, July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

8:00am † Antimo Petrini

6:00pm † Nazzareno Di Michele

Sunday, July 17 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Thanksgiving & Deceased of D'Souza,

Rosario & Tyson Families

10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI

11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

1:00pm † Lucy Fernandes

2:30pm FILIPINO MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

4:00pm † Milton Vincent Xavier

6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

El JUEVES 14 de JULIO, 2022 (8:00 pm), participaremos presencialmente en la SANTA MISA en ESPAÑOL.

De LUNES a VIERNES ESTÁ EXPUESTO el SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO EN EL TEMPLO de 8:30 am a 5:30 pm. Dedicemos un tiempo para la ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA PERSONAL.

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

Los siguientes son los enlaces del Internet para aquellos hermanos y hermanas que deseen participar VIRTUALMENTE en el SANTO ROSARIO y en la SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL:

<https://www.facebook.com/parroquiasantacatalina.de.sienna.9>

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

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



PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND & JORDAN

under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Tiziano.
April 11 - 22, 2023 (12 days) \$4,490.00.

For further information contact International Heritage Tours at 416-444-6666 or call the parish office at 905-272-1454 ext. 0. Fliers can be picked up at the entrances of the church or the office.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 17th at 7:00pm at Assumption Cemetery. In the event of rain, Masses will be held in Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum

BLESSED SCALABRINI THE FOUNDER

Yes, my dear brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ speaks to all: to the little ones and to the grownups, to the young and to the old, to the poor and to the rich, to kings on their thrones, to the religious in their houses, to the priests in the exercise of their ministry, to businessmen in their professions and to artisans in their workshops.

Yes, He speaks to all without distinction of social standing or economic condition, regardless of time, place or age. And He does so because no one, unless he or she first renounces his or her eternal salvation, can be exempt from the discipline of penance, which keeps us strongly rooted in the law of God. J.B. Scalabrini-Pastoral Letter on Penance-1895

GRATITUDE LUNCH FOR THE CATECHISTS

On Sunday, July 10th, in the Main Hall we will have a special meeting/lunch for Catechists of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We will participate in the 11:30am Mass and then we will gather for lunch. In that occasion we will have a chance to review and share experiences and to plan for the future.

CCO FAITH STUDY PARTICIPANTS

On Saturday, July 16th, from 1 to 5:00pm we will have the FIRST GENERAL RETREAT for all those who have participated in the CCO Program in our parish. It will be a great opportunity to know each other and to plan for the future evangelization of our parish. Food will be served.

2023 World Youth Day

August 1-6, 2023

Lisbon, Portugal

Our Parish will participate in the 2023 World Youth Day in Portugal next August 1-6, 2023.

World Youth Day is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is a pilgrimage, a youth celebration, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world youth. Our parish first went to World Youth Day in Denver, Colorado in 1993, from which came many vocations.

The first meeting will be on Wednesday, August 2nd after the 7:00pm Mass in the Main Hall.

All inquiries should be directed to our Youth Ministry and in particular to Andre Tyson –

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