



SHRINE BULLETIN

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WEEKLY REFLECTION

Thanks Dad

By Fr. Robert Foliot, SJ.

One of my happy experiences as a priest is watching the father of the bride walk up the aisle of the church with his daughter on his arm. He has invited his extended family and his closest friends to see this moment. His chest is extended. He is proud, as he sees everyone gazing on his daughter, who is smiling and so beautifully dressed. She is being presented to the love of her life. To this chosen man she will publicly pronounce her marriage vows. I can just hear the father of the bride humming to himself with amazement, like the Fiddler on the Roof: *"Is this the little girl I carried? Is this the little boy at play? I don't remember growing older. When did they?"*

Later in the day, in his toast to the bride, in the language of today's reading from Ezechiel, he will remember his daughter as a tiny sprig from the top of the cedar tree that has grown up into a majestic cedar. He is not sure how all this happened. How did she learn from him, and what did she learn?

What are the lessons your father taught you? My father taught me the Lord's Prayer and the Hail Mary. He taught me how to say those prayers sincerely. My father taught me how to be thoughtful and kind to others – the way he was so kind to my mother and to us kids. My father taught me to be compassionate. My father taught me patience. And though long deceased, he continues to teach me now.

Whether your father is now in heaven, or still with you on earth, today is a day to thank God for him. For sure, he was not perfect. But, he probably tried his best to help you grow into the person you are today, into the person you are still becoming. The kingdom of God in you is like a mustard seed. What your father began, can continue to grow, if you keep remembering his teachings.

Fathers are proud of their children. Even when children go off track, fathers are, or want to be, prodigal with their love. They will wait for us to keep on growing. When they appear before the judgment seat of God, they will say, "Here is the little girl, the little boy, you gave me. I don't know how they grew up so well. Father, you were in them. You are in them now. And you will always be in them. Thank you for having given me the privilege of being a father. I am proud of my children. I am proud of all you have accomplished through me for my children and grandchildren. Praise to you, oh God, our Father.

MASS INTENTIONS

Holy Mass can be gifted and reserved inside of the Visitor Office.

Sunday, June 16

- 09:00 Mathew Gloqowski †
- 10:30 Cezar Cruz †, et al.
- 12:00 Jose Nobrega, et al.
- 15:00 Tatum Bautista
- 19:30 Robert Dalton †

Monday, June 17

- 10:30 Manuvelpillai Family †
- 12:00 Jenova †
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

Tuesday, June 18

- 10:30 Viacheslav †, et al.
- 12:00 Anton Thevathas †, et al.
- 15:00 Rodil Respandor, et al.

Wednesday, June 19

- 10:30 Christy Joseph †
- 12:00 Donbosco †
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

Thursday, June 20

- 10:30 D'Souza Family †
- 12:00 MSA & Benefactors
- 15:00 Pereira Family †

Friday, June 21

- 10:30 Priyani †
- 12:00 Abbott Family
- 15:00 Laurenso Thuan Nguyen †

Saturday, June 22

- 09:00 Samita Colucci Biseco, et al.
- 10:30 Regina Jothipala
- 12:00 E. Webb
- 15:00 Thomas Joseph & Family
- 19:30 Konrad Teichman

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Holy Hour **4pm**

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Guided Tour	1pm
Rosary	2pm
Stations of the Cross	3pm



SEASON 2024 | EVENT CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH

- ★ 29 Good Friday (*Outdoor Stations of the Cross*)

MAY

- ★ 4 Opening Day Celebrations
- 12 Mother's Day Celebrations
- 12 World Youth Day Reunion Mass
- 26 St. Michael's Boys Choir School Mass

JUNE

- 1 Byzantine Romanian Mission
- 2 Friendship Gardens Blessing & Corpus Christi Procession
- 12 Spring Gala Night (*held in Toronto*)
- 16 Father's Day Celebrations
- 21 Indigenous People's Day

JULY

- 1 Canada Day
- 27 Shrine Family Day
- ★ 31 Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola

AUGUST

- 2 Joseph Chiwatenwha Day (*Prayer Walk*)
- 12 Memorial Mass at Caragouha

SEPTEMBER

- 15 40th Anniversary of the visit of Pope John Paul II
- 21 Fall Gala Night (*held in Midland*)
- ★ 28 Feast of the Canadian Martyrs (*Shrine Observance*)
- 29 Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick

OCTOBER

- 2 Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick
- 14 Closing Day

PILGRIMAGES

JUNE

- 1-2 Czech
- 8 Vietnamese
- 8-9 Slovak
- 9 Blessed Trinity
- 14 Archdiocese of Toronto
- 15 First Nations
- 16 Belarusian
- 22 Ukrainian
- 29 Korean

JULY

- 6 Syro Malabar & Konkan
- 7 Holy Crucifixion
- 13 Chinese & India-Pakistan
- 14 Sri Lankan
- 20 Tamil
- 21 Croatian
- 28 St. James Kayts

AUGUST

- 3 Filipino
- 9-11 Polish
- 10 Guelph
- 17 Hispanic, Irish, Goan, St. Josephine Bakhita (*African*)

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Albanian
- 7 Hungarian & Slovenian
- 8 Dolorosa (*Our Lady of Sorrows*) & Rosary Sunday
- 28 University Students

OCTOBER

- 12 Portuguese

NOVEMBER

- 10 Veterans



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ADMISSION RATES

- Regular Admission \$10
- Youth (0-18 yrs), Indigenous (*Status Card*), Veterans (*Veteran's Service Card*), Ontario Teachers (*Ontario Teacher's College Card*) Free
- 2024 Season's Pass (5 people entry - pass holder + up to 4 guests) \$75

★ Free Admission Days