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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm Saturday at 9 am & 5 pm (Vigil) Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

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#### **CONFESSIONS**

Monday to Friday at 11.30 am Saturday at 4.30 pm

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday 10 am to 4 pm Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA)

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Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544 Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

## Looking to our Role Model The Request of James & John Mark 10.35 - 45

As Christians, we are always called to seek ways of imitating Christ. The Catechism says that "in all of his life Jesus presents himself as our model. He is "the perfect man", who invites us to become his disciples and follow him." Jesus was also the perfect steward so we can constantly look to Him for guidance in our own commitment to stewardship.

However, many people may have reservations in trying to imitate Christ because it seems like an unattainable ideal. We may feel that Jesus, being God, doesn't know what it's like to struggle here on earth. However, this does not mean he didn't have to fight the same fight that we do in our path towards virtue. St. Paul in his letter to the Hebrews says, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin."

St. Paul beautifully shows us that Christ fully understands what our struggles and difficulties are. Although He never succumbed to temptations, He too would have faced the desire to despair or give up on His call to love and sacrifice for us. Therefore, when we face trials in our stewardship, let us turn to Jesus and ask Him to help us overcome our struggles just as He did during His time on earth. Stewardship is not an impossible ideal, we just need the strength and guidance of God.

#### **Summary**

As Christians who are called to imitate Christ, we may sometimes feel that Jesus, being God, doesn't know what it's like to struggle here on earth. However, St. Paul says, "we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin." Therefore, when we face trials in our stewardship, let us turn to Jesus and ask Him to help us overcome our struggles just as He did during His time on earth.

 $\sim Stewardship\ Bulletin\ Reflection-Archdiocese\ of\ Toronto\sim$ 

#### **SERRA'S 'VOCATION SEEDS'**

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## Mass Intentions

Mon.	Oct. 18	12:05 pm	Eugienia Tkaczyk,requested by her sister
Tue.	Oct. 19	12:05 pm	† Candido G. Del Rosario, requested by the Llarenas family
Wed.	Oct. 20	12:05 pm	† Amador Salalila, requested by the Lenon family
Thur.	Oct. 21	12:05 pm	† Salvacion Bentic, requested by Bernada Adao
Fri.	Oct. 22	12:05 pm	Alana Nedd, requested by her mother, Anne Marie
Sat.	Oct. 23	9:00 am	† Hubert & Hazel Pereira, requested by Pereira family
		5:00 pm	† Rosario Mutuc, requested by the Mutuc family
Sun.	Oct. 24	9:00 am	For the People of the Parish,
		11:00 am	In thanksgiving & for the intentions of Roselyn & Meynardo Sevilla on their 22 <sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary, requested by the Sevilla family



Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>
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#### ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II PERSONAL SUFFERING

Feast day: October 22nd

**S**t. Pope John Paul II's life was marked by suffering. Even before he was born, his infant sister, Olga, died,



bringing great grief to his parents and brother. Just three years after his mother's death, his twenty-six-year-old brother, Edmund, a physician, died of scarlet fever which he had contracted from one

of his patients. Then came perhaps the greatest tragedy of all: the death of his father, whose example the future Pope would describe as "my first seminary." Kneeling beside his father's body, he would recall, "I never felt so alone".

Karol himself was hit by a truck in 1944 while a college student. Thrown onto the curb, he hit his head and lay unconscious. By divine providence, a German military officer picked up the young man and made sure he was taken care of at the nearest hospital. As an adult, the former sportsman was beset by physical difficulties, including a broken thigh that led to femur-replacement surgery, the removal of a precancerous tube from his colon, and a fall that led to a dislocated shoulder. Then, on May 13, 1981, the feast Our Lady of Fatima, a bullet ripped into his stomach, right elbow, and left hand in St. Peter's Square. The Parkinson's disease that he later developed may well have been caused by the wounds. It is said that he missed death by a matter of millimeters. Even more remarkable are the x-rays that would reveal the trace of the bullet through the Pope's body, which formed the letter "M'.

There was no doubt in the Pope's mind that the hand of Our Lady had guided and deflected the bullet. On the first anniversary of the shooting, the Pope traveled as a pilgrim to Fatima in gratitude to Mary for saving him. In his homily, he referred to the "mysterious coincidence" – that the attempt on his life has occurred on the anniversary of the first Fatima apparition.

Pope John Paul II is rightly known as "Mary's Pope" or the "most Marian Pope in history." It is also fitting that, like the Sorrowful Mother, he becomes known as "a man of suffering, accustomed to infirmity" (Is 53:3) who never ran away from the cross. As priest, the cross in our lives can mean loneliness, rejection, ridicule, and unjust accusations. Like Mary, who carried the "second" annunciation that "you yourself a sword will pierce" (Lk 2:35) all the way to the cross, Pope John Paul II would sometimes say, "never climb down from the cross, for Jesus never did."

His cross was transformed into grace in his very person, for the weaker he grew, the more people of every walk of life found in him a consoling "witness of hope." Is it not fascinating that the Pope, who returned to the house of the Father on the feast of Divine Mercy, finished his very last book, Memory and Identity, with the words from the prophet Isaiah: "By his stripes we are healed: (Is 53:5), imploring us to believe that "the limit imposed upon evil is Divine Mercy"? May we, too, trust that our fruitfulness as priests will come through fidelity to the words spoken on our ordination day: "Model your life on the cross of Christ."

~Taken from 'BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER - Priests speak about Mary~

## ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MEN: ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, November 20 – 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

**S**t. John Paul II wrote in *Familiaris Consortio*, "St. Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care."

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Presenter: Rev. Edwin Gonsalves.

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## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary Church and it is our opportunity to assist atneed Catholic communities around the global. Our offerings are combined with those of other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those who are less fortunate and lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God.

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