

It's easy to put our faith on the back burner as we deal with life's demands. But today's Gospel is clear that we are always expected to be aware and prepared. Jesus usually shows up in our lives in unexpected ways and in unexpected people. We will only recognize these many opportunities if we're paying attention. We coast along at our own risk. Faith and readiness are lifelong attitudes, honed one careful day at a time.



"Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks." --- Luke 12:35-36

First Reading from Wisdom 18:6-9
The Israelites long awaited freedom from oppression.

Second Reading from Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
In praise of Abraham's faith.

Gospel from Luke 12:32-48
Those who follow Jesus must be aware and prepared.



LIVING MERCY: A PILGRIMAGE RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS. Friday, August 26, 4:30 p.m. to Sunday, August 28, 1:30pm Hamilton home of the Sisters of St. Joseph

Explore *how to live the call to mercy in prayer, practice, passion, and promise.* Cost: \$150, including meals/accommodation, \$65 if you do not require accommodation. If cost is a concern please contact us. **Carpooling available.**

Contact Leigh-Anne Best at leighbest@gmail.com and cc: the church at st.barts@sympatico.ca for more information or to RSVP for the events

CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA COLLECTION: AUGUST 14, 2016

For over a hundred years, Catholic Missions in Canada has funded the sacred efforts of missionaries as they proclaim His Word throughout Canada.

Our Canadian bishops and missionaries are dedicated to showing the face of Jesus and the majestic plan of God to all their isolated mission territories. Each of our missionaries makes our Catholic faith real in the lives of children, youth & adults living in the remote mission areas of our vast nation.

Our supporters make their mission ministries possible. Thanks to benefactors like you, Catholic Missions in Canada allocate over 3.5 million annually to keep our Canadian missions open and shining the light of His love.

In 2016, Catholic Missions in Canada supporters helped provide funding for 3 critical areas:

1. Support Missionaries
2. Religious Education Programs
3. Build and Repair Mission Churches

May God be with our missionaries, and may Catholics across Canada continue to support their mission ministries.



Saturday	August 6, 2016
5:00 pm	JUNE GREY GILHOOLY (RIP)
Sunday	August 7, 2016
11:15 am	JOSEPH VASCO RODRIGUES (RIP)
1:00 pm	MACARIO GAVIOLA (RIP)
Tuesday	August 9, 2016
8:30 am	LILLIAN R. GAMBOA (RIP)
Wednesday	August 10, 2016
8:30 am	STEPHEN HAUNTS (RIP)
Thursday	August 11, 2016
	ROWENA IANTHE ALFONSO (RIP)

PLEASE NOTE: Bulletin is submitted a week in advance. To ensure that the name is on the bulletin, the Mass Intention must be booked 2 weeks prior to the date.

SUNDAY FOOD DONATION SCHEDULE

August 13-14
Last name starting with **S**
August 20-21
Last name starting with **T, U, V**



You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. That's how prayer works.

— Pope Francis —



JULY 30-31

WEEKLY DONATION:
\$4607.00

FINAL COLLECTION SHARELIFE:
\$53,418.93

thank you

You're invited!

FEAST OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW

Parish Picnic

On **August 20 (Saturday)** the Mass will be celebrated outdoors at 4:00PM to be followed by our PICNIC. **NO 5PM MASS.**

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX THIS WEEKEND. Children under 5 years of age are FREE. For everyone else, a \$5.00 ticket will provide you with a hotdog or hamburger, corn, salad & drink.

A variety of games & prizes, face painting, music, dancing, singing and much more will be available for everyone --- CHILDREN, YOUTH, ADULTS & SENIORS --- MEN & WOMEN.

Bring your lawn chairs, throws and umbrellas.

Please note. No tickets will be available on the grounds. Get your tickets in advance.



-of Faith & Reason
-of Hope & Reality
-of Love & Freedom

Friday, September 9, 2016 at 8pm

Come and enjoy a concert of soulful music and visual stories.

PRESENTED BY ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

Tickets are now available in the office. Before the concert, **\$20.00** for adults & **\$15.00** for students. At the door, **\$25** adults & **\$20** for students.



Father Fred and the Parishioners of Saint Bartholomew Parish warmly welcome **George Cowley** to this faith community.

He was Confirmed and received into the Catholic Church last Saturday, July 30, 2016.



Thank you to all who donated, volunteered, supported and joined the Garage Sale last July 23.

Your contribution provided great success for our event. We were able to raise over **\$2,900** from the sales of tables, BBQ food, car wash, Knights' table and coffee station.

The Knights will be putting these funds to good use in support of the Food Bank, Rosalie Hall, Sisters of Life, the Special Olympics, refugee assistance as well as providing activities and materials for the youth of this community.



AUGUST 27, 2016 – SATURDAY

Meeting Place: St. Bartholomew Parking
Time: 8:15am Departure Time: 8:30 am
Cost of Trip: \$20.00 per ticket
Extra \$10.00 to play on card.

Contact person: Winston D'Souza 416-292-0971