

# ST. NORBERT'S PARISH BULLETIN

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday to Friday**  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

**Closed for Lunch**  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

**Saturday and Sunday  
and Statutory Holidays**  
CLOSED

**We celebrate Memorial  
Masses at the parish  
schedule as a regular  
intention. We DO NOT  
celebrate Private Masses**

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
7:00 pm

**Thursday & Friday**  
8:30 am

**Saturday**  
5:00 pm

**Sunday**  
9:00 am (Italian)  
10:30 am  
12:00 pm

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 pm  
and upon appointment

### ADORATION

Silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place every First Tuesday of the Month after the 7:00 pm Mass for one hour.

### BAPTISM

To baptize your child at St. Norbert's Church, it is necessary for you to be registered with the Parish and attend Mass regularly.

Baptisms are held on most Saturdays of the month at 2 pm. For more information, please contact the office or visit our website.

### MARRIAGE

Please **contact the office at least one year in advance**. Weddings are held at 12 pm on most Saturdays of the month.

### HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Call the office to arrange for our Lay Pastoral Team to visit and bring Holy Communion.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Please visit our website and download the fillable registration form. Once the form is completed, kindly submit it to the parish office.

### SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARISH

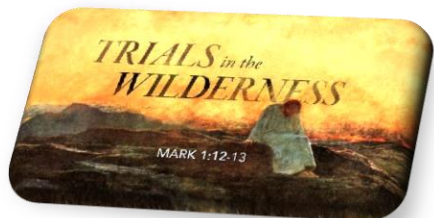
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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### Some thoughts on today's scripture



I too have known times of temptation when I felt on my own except for the wild beasts, the irrational forces that were messing up my life. Lord, you felt the influence of evil, and were tested. You were purified as you came through a difficult time. When I was in the middle of such a time, it did not feel like God's hand, but like desolation and despair. When I look back, I can see how God was shaping me.

The wilderness is the place of destruction and danger, of being tempted off one's path and also of meeting God. Jesus finds God's path for him in the wilderness. Prayer is a wilderness time. It can be dangerous for it brings us in touch with the evil as well as with the good in ourselves. With practice, it introduces us to the peace of God in Christ - the harmony of the desert of Jesus. It is also the place of rededication to God and of finding the strength of God.

*Il Vangelo di Marco comincia con una semplice affermazione: "Inizio del Vangelo di Gesù Cristo, Figlio di Dio". Giovanni Battista, che aveva annunciato la sua venuta come imminente, battezzò Gesù nel Giordano e in quell'occasione lo Spirito diede testimonianza di Gesù. Marco accenna soltanto al periodo nel deserto e alla tentazione. È il preludio all'inizio del ministero pubblico di nostro Signore. Il suo primo richiamo, che ci viene ripetuto questa domenica, è: "Convertitevi e credete al vangelo". Egli comincia proprio da quello che era stato il punto centrale dell'insegnamento di Giovanni Battista.*

### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.  
Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions** around cremation, burials and funerals

#### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:
2. follow this QR link: <https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24>
3. send an email to: [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



### Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from **Friday, April 26 at 7 p.m.** to **Sunday, April 28 at 3:30 p.m.** at **St. Augustine's Seminary** (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: **\$290** per person (\$190 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. If cost is of concern, please contact [lgwtoronto@proton.me](mailto:lgwtoronto@proton.me); limited subsidies are available. For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, email [lgwtoronto@proton.me](mailto:lgwtoronto@proton.me).

### Divina Eloquia: A Series of Patristic Talks Organized by the Pontifical Faculty of Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary

All are invited to attend the St. Augustine's Seminary Divina Eloquia presented by Rev. Hubertus Drobner taking place on **Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.** in Charbonnel Lounge, University of St. Michael's College, Elmsley Hall, 81 St. Mary St., Toronto. For more information and to register please visit <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/patristic-talk-feb2024>.



Lent: the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.  
email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
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### FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Feb 19<sup>th</sup> for Family day and will reopen on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at the regular scheduled time.

L'ufficio parrocchiale sarà chiuso lunedì 19 febbraio per la Giornata della Famiglia e riaprirà martedì 20 febbraio con l'orario prestabilito.



The 2023 tax receipts are ready for pick up in the Office and after all masses on the weekend.

### 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES



PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR OWN BLANK ENVELOPE FOR DONATIONS. YOU MUST USE CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR DONATIONS.

Please pick up your 2024 Offering Envelopes at the church office. Call the office for more information.

**NOTE:** It is extremely important that you please enter your full name and address on each envelope for the first few weeks so that we may update our Parish Records and allocate donations correctly.



Stations Of The Cross.  
Every Friday During Lent.

At 7:00 pm



If you have palms and Olive branches from 2023, please bring them to the Church, as we burn them to make ash for Ash Wednesday.

### Mass Intentions

- Saturday February 17  
5:00 pm - +Rosa & Giulietta Luciani
- Sunday February 18  
9:00 am - +Roberto Ciancio  
+Elena Iunni  
+Domenico Conti
- 10:30 am - +Silvia Barbuto
- Tuesday February 20  
7:00 pm - +Concetta Ricci
- Wednesday February 21  
7:00 pm - +Giuseppe Vacca
- Thursday February 22  
8:30 am -
- Friday February 23  
8:30 am -

- Saturday February 24  
5:00 pm -
- Sunday February 25  
9:00 am - +Elena Iunni  
+Vincenzo & Immacolata Del Duca  
+Vena & Politto family
- 10:30 am - +Renato Pighin
- Tuesday February 27  
7:00 pm -
- Wednesday February 28  
7:00 pm -
- Thursday February 29  
8:30 am -
- Friday March 01  
8:30 am -

### DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

*In the words of Pope Francis*

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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