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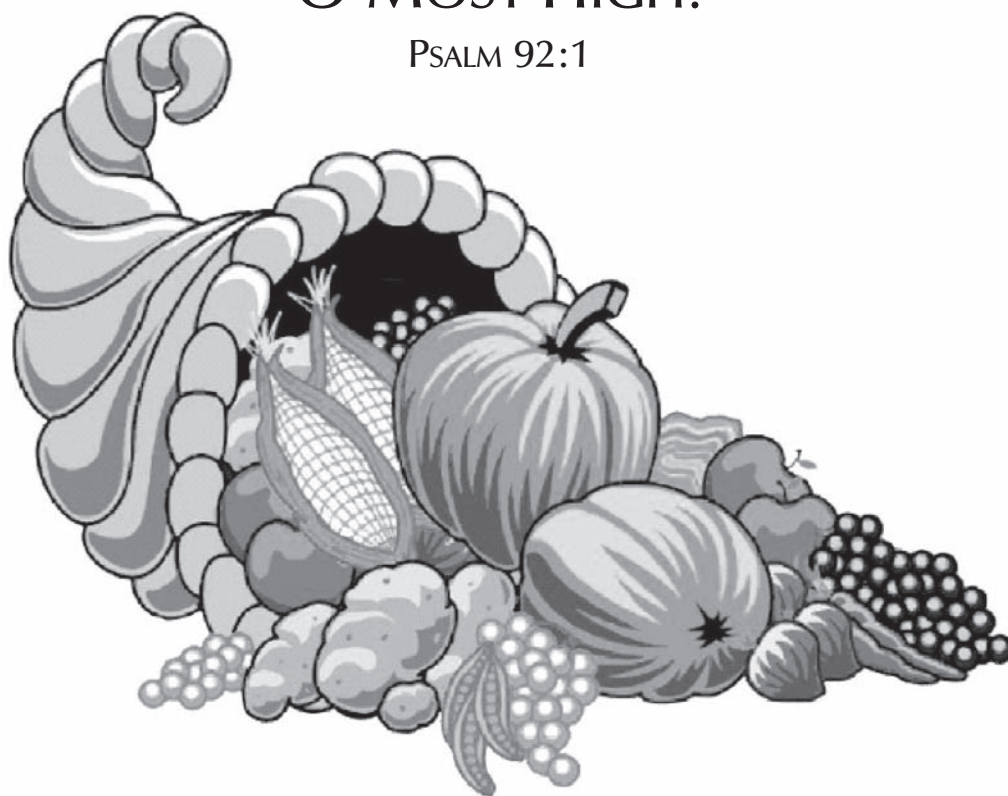
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IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS
TO THE LORD,
TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,
O MOST HIGH!

PSALM 92:1



A Happy Thanksgiving
to you all!

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MEMORIAL LAMP TRANSEPTS – OCTOBER	
SACRED HEART	IMMACULATE HEART
Francisco Jr & Adoracion Francisco (D)	Rajko Bakalic (D)
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John & Madeline Stigge (I)	Deacon Michael Berlin-Riga (I)

MASS INTENTIONS	
Monday, October 12 – Thanksgiving Day	
10:00 a.m.	The Oliveira Family (I)
Tuesday, October 13	
7:30 a.m.	Leo John Scherberger (I)
12:10 p.m.	Rosette El-Khoury (D) Milagrito Bimbo (D) Pauline Lee (I) John Mackitchiz (I) Vivian Chan (I)
5:30 p.m.	Frances Ann Oakley (D)
Wednesday, October 14	
7:30 a.m.	Anita Phillips (D)
12:10 p.m.	Jose Manalastas (D) Ernest Miness (D) Annette Crean (D) Enrico Mayo (D) For the repose of the souls of those laid to rest in our Catholic Cemeteries
5:30 p.m.	Macca Alba (D)
Thursday, October 15	
– St. Teresa of Jesus	
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Antonio Festin (D)
12:10 p.m.	Florencia Rimando (D) Anita Phillips (D) Lourdes Barcelona Pillen (D) Honesto & Elisa Nicandro (D) Don & Pat Festin (D)
5:30 p.m.	Josiane Kany Coker (D)
Friday, October 16	
– St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville	
7:30 a.m.	John-Jong Seo O (D)
12:10 p.m.	Virginio & Germana Soledad Caluducan (D) Olive De Freitas & Casey Caluducan (D) Lary Willam Craig (D) Janice Anne Campos (I) Elizabeth Yanga (I)
5:30 p.m.	Lori Castenda (I)
Saturday, October 17	
– St. Ignatius of Antioch	
7:30 a.m.	Christine Kwong (I)
12:10 p.m.	Leonila Llanes (D) Frances Ann Oakley (D) Patricia Boughen (D) Maruerite Jean-Baptiste (I) Ancy Varokkil Varghese (I)

MASS READINGS FOR OCTOBER 11, 2026

Isaiah 25.6-10a Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20
Matthew 22.1-14

MESSAGE FROM DEACON MICHAEL BERLIN-RIGA



It is an honour and a joy for me to begin serving as a deacon at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. I have been a seminarian at St. Augustine's Seminary for ten years.

On September 26th, 2026, I was ordained to the transitional Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto. I look forward to serving all parishioners, visitors, and pilgrims who come from near and far, to the mother Church of this beautiful archdiocese.

May this Cathedral continue to be a strong spiritual household for the family of God to gather as one and be a safe harbour for many pilgrims of hope to encounter Christ. May St. Michael the Archangel, assist us by his prayers in our daily struggle to avoid sin and to be faithful to Christ in holiness of life.

In the peace of Christ,
Dcn. Michael Berlin-Riga

MUSIC OF THE MASS		
Entrance	352	Come, ye thankful people come
Kyrie	495	from Missa de Angelis
Gloria	496	from Missa de Angelis
Psalm	770	I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.
Gospel Acclamation	819	Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Offertory	418	God, who touchest earth with beauty
Sanctus	566	from ICEL Roman Missal English Chant Mass
Memorial Acclamation	568	from ICEL Roman Missal English Chant Mass
Amen	570	from ICEL Roman Missal English Chant Mass
Agnus Dei	571	from ICEL Roman Missal English Chant Mass
Communion	186	As we gather at your table
Closing	356	For the fruits of his creation

OCTOBER 11, 2026

BLESSING OF THE CRYPT CHAPEL AND CONSECRATION OF THE ALTAR

On October 1, during the 5:30 p.m. Mass, His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo blessed the newly renovated Crypt Chapel and consecrated its new altar.

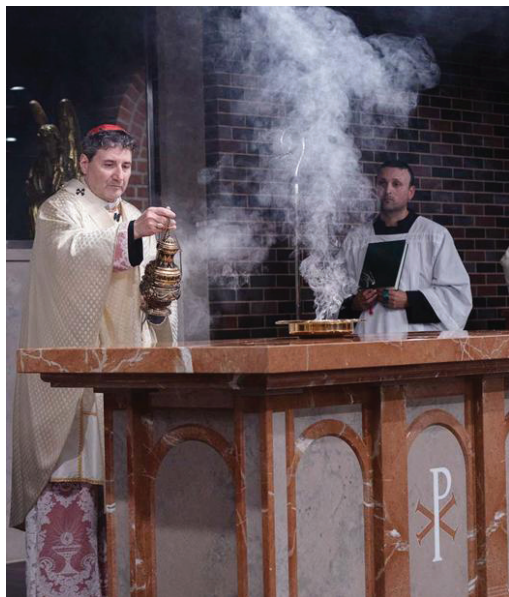
The crypt chapel is deeply connected to Toronto's Catholic history. Bishop Michael Power, the first Bishop of Toronto and founder of the Cathedral, is buried in the crypt, along with 68 others, including Archbishop John Walsh and the first Loretto Sisters who came to Canada at Bishop Power's invitation.

Restoration began more than 12 years ago as part of the Cathedral Restoration Project. The chapel reflects the dedication and generosity of many clergy, professionals, skilled tradespeople, artists, designers and donors.

At the heart of the chapel is its new altar. During its consecration, Cardinal Leo anointed the altar with sacred chrism, incensed and prepared for the celebration of the Eucharist. A relic of St. Pius X is within the altar.

The newly blessed Crypt Chapel is a gift to the faithful today and a lasting legacy for generations to come.

Visit the website for more information and to watch this special Mass.



SCHEDULE CHANGE

Please note that the 5:30 p.m. Mass on October 27, 2026, will begin at 5:00 p.m. on that day.

Happy Thanksgiving

We wish everyone a peaceful and blessed long weekend, with time to enjoy the company of family and friends as we give thanks to God for the many blessings in our lives. Please note that the parish office will be closed on **Monday, October 12. There will be one Mass at 10:00 a.m.** that day, and the Cathedral will close following Mass.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday, October 13, when our regular schedule resumes.

GOOD SHEPHERD THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Please help us support this year's Good Shepherd food drive. **Non-perishable food items can be dropped off in the bins located by the entrance of the Cathedral** until October 15. Clothing donations are not accepted. Thank you for your donation and support.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Parents of Grade 2 and 3 students are welcome to register their child to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Registration is now open. Please contact the parish office or visit the website for more information.

Grade 7 or 8 (ages 12-13 years old) parishioners who have not been confirmed are invited to consider receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact the parish office or visit the website for more information.



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica is inviting persons interested in this Ministry to attend a **virtual information session on Wednesday, October 21st at 7:00 pm.** The Society provides outreach to persons in need through Home Visits and longer-term programs. Volunteers visit persons in need in their homes, assist with collection boxes after Mass, and meet monthly for formation and development.

If you are interested in learning more, please email info@ssvptoronto.ca, **subject line: St. Michael's outreach.** We will send you the meeting link. An in-person meeting for those wishing to pursue membership after attending the information session is scheduled for **Sunday, October 25th, 10:30 a.m.** at the SSV Central Office, 240 Church Street.

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