

Mass Intentions from May 11 -17, 2024

Sat. May 11/4:30 p.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Sun. May 12/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott family
Rosaria & Caterina Bertucci - E Nardi
Pasqualina & Casimiro Boni - Angela & Giuseppe Palmarella
Estela & Ray Angelo Taguinod & Richard Gélinas - Guia Gélinas

Wed. May 15/10:00 a.m. Thomas Mary Nathan - Nathan family
Vito Andreacchi, Bruno Roti & Rosaria Bertucci - E Nardi

Thur. May 16/10:00 a.m. Pasquale Di-Murro - Daughters
Special Prayers & Blessings for Felicia Pantoni D'Angelo and
Adamo & Marilena Bono - Rosalia Bono
Special Prayers & Blessings for Kelvin Villondo on his birthday - Beth Villondo

Fri. May 17/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Baird, Shanahan,
Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - (Year B) World Communications Day and Canada Health Day.

“Go out to the world.”

First Reading (Acts 1:1-11) Jesus ascends into heaven and returns to his Father.

Second Reading (Ephesians 1:17-23) Christ is enthroned in heaven with universal authority, and this can fill us with hope.

Gospel (Mark 16:15-20) Before his Ascension into heaven, Jesus commissions his apostles to continue his mission on earth.

Reflection:

Being missionaries does not mean we have to sell all our belongings and move to some far away land to spread the faith, although some may be called to do this. Missionaries literally mean “those who have been sent” or those “on a mission.” Maybe we are being sent as “far away” as our own home. We may be called to announce the Good News to our family members. The way we announce the message is by living lives of Good News. It may be the hardest audience to whom we can be sent. We may truly need the indwelling of the Holy Spirit to announce the Good News, because our family knows who we really are, with all our failings and all the times we have sinned in living out the Gospel. It can be a real challenge to be evangelists (proclaimers of the Good News) to our family, because it is so easy to forget our mission, due to the day-to-day needs and frustrations that they and we face, both alone and together. That is why we need to keep turning to the Lord and praying, “Send us Your Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us who are trying to be faithful. In flame in our hearts the fire of Your love.” What can help us is the realization that we have been given, and are continuing to be given, the Spirit of wisdom and revelation which enlightens us to the hope of the call which Jesus has given us. If we strive to live out our missionary call, especially to those whom we encounter each and every day, then Jesus promises us a share in His inheritance, with the other holy ones, and the surpassing greatness of His power. We will share in His ascension at the end of our earthly life and even more so at the end of time when we will be raised up with our bodies to be with Him in glory.

May you be willing to do whatever is necessary to further the spread of the Good News to others!

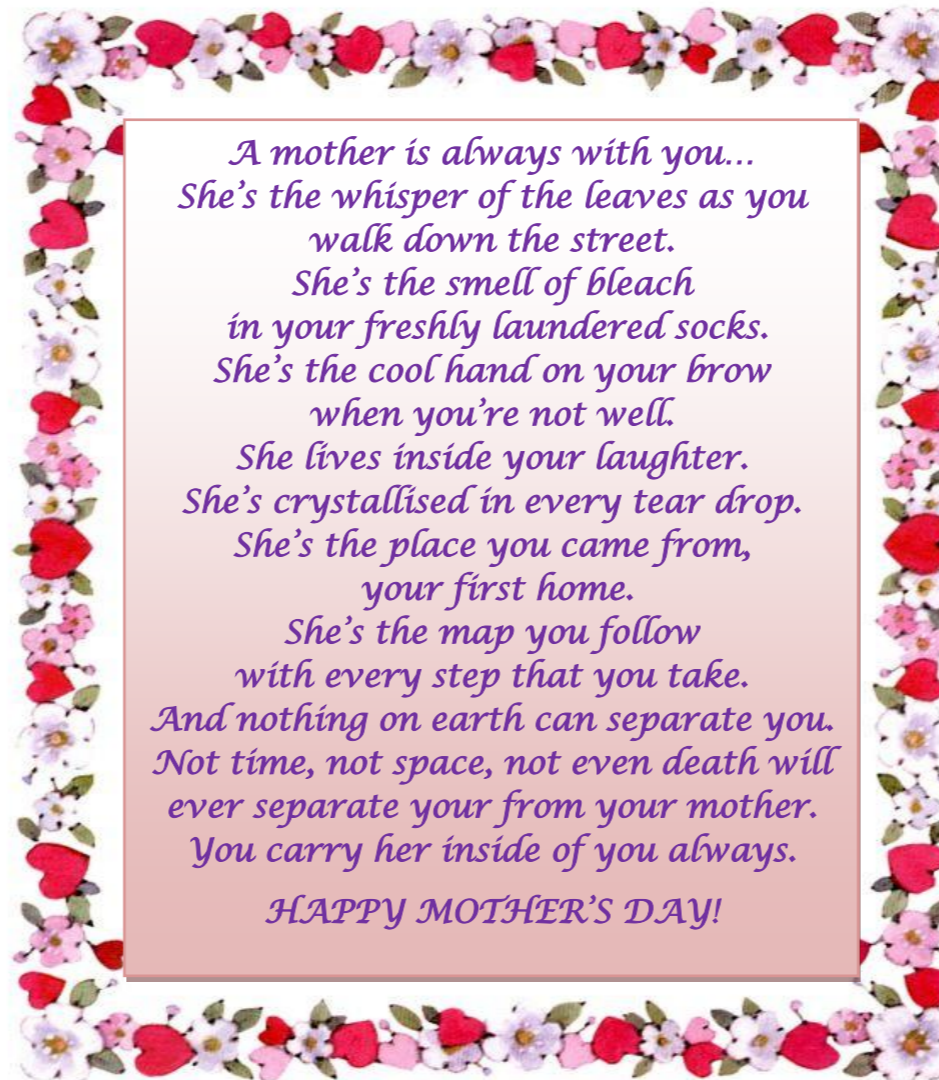


MAY IS THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Marian Prayers

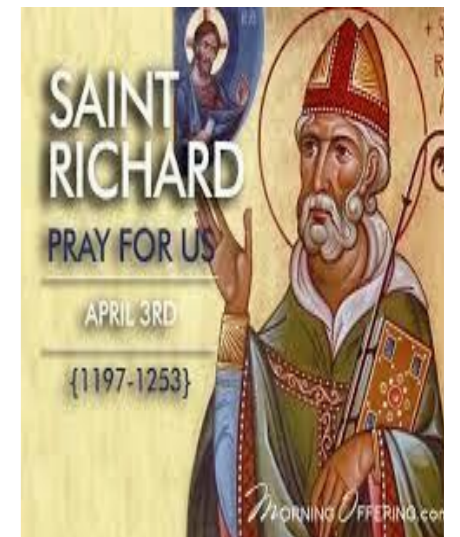
Hail Mary
Hail Mary, Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among woman,
and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now,
and the hour of our death.
AMEN.



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week
FOR ALL MOTHERS
LIVING AND DECEASED.



*A mother is always with you...
She's the whisper of the leaves as you
walk down the street.
She's the smell of bleach
in your freshly laundered socks.
She's the cool hand on your brow
when you're not well.
She lives inside your laughter.
She's crystallised in every tear drop.
She's the place you came from,
your first home.
She's the map you follow
with every step that you take.
And nothing on earth can separate you.
Not time, not space, not even death will
ever separate you from your mother.
You carry her inside of you always.
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!*



Mark your
Calendar

AS WE CONTINUE CELEBRATING
ST. RICHARDS 60TH ANNIVERSARY...

The 60th Anniversary luncheon will take place on June 16th after the 10am mass. The ticket will cost 10\$ for adults and children over 12 years old. Children under 12 enjoy for free. If you cannot attend, please make a donation. Tickets for the luncheon will be available to purchase next Sunday, May 19th from Teresa Baird. This year, consider celebrating Father's Day here at St Richard's with your parish family!

The Life of St. Richard

St. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253), also known as Richard de Wyche, who became **Saint Richard**, was a man of strong character, an accomplished scholar, energetic, kind, modest about his own powers, cheerful, courageous and highly ethical individual. He loved people and was greatly beloved by them.

13/15 Art-Filled Shrine

The Cathedral (1108-1184), “the most typical English Cathedral” (Pevsner), is enhanced by two Romanesque carvings, dated by various experts from 1000 to 1100-1150 A.D. They are remarkable for the sensitive modeling of the heads and emotion shown in the face of Jesus. They depict the arrival of Christ at Bethany (John 11: 33-37) and the raising of Lazarus (John 11: 38-47).

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