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Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are held on the 4th Sunday of every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
 Every 2nd & 4th Friday: 7:30 PM
 (or by appointment)

MASS

Sunday Eucharist
 Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
 Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM
Children's Liturgy at: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM Mass

Weekday Eucharist
 Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
 Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:00 AM

* Morning Prayer / Evening Prayer
 (One half hour before Mass)

DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 First Fridays (excluding holidays) 9:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Holy Hour
 Fridays (excluding holidays) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Rosary & Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Mondays 6:30 PM

Divine Mercy
 Fridays (excluding holidays) 3:00 PM

PARISH LIFE

Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132
 Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457
 Social Committee 905-822-8132
 Ministry of Consolation & Hope 905-822-8132 ext. 3
 RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 4
 St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5
 J.O.Y. Social Club club55@st-ignatius-loyola.com
 Youth Group 905-822-8132 ext. 6
 Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544
 Charismatic Prayer Group 905-822-8132 Ext. 3
 (Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.)

SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183
 St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115
 Christ the King 905-569-0220
 Iona Catholic Secondary 905-823-0136

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 7, 2016

"You will catch people for the kingdom of God"



Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish? No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word. Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless did what the Lord Jesus told him to do: At your word I will let down the nets. When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command?

God expects greater things than we can do by ourselves

This incident tells us an important truth about how God works in and through each of us for his glory. God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in his works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own. Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun who died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-four, wrote to a friend: *"Jesus has so incomprehensible a love for us that he wills that we have a share with him in the salvation of souls. He wills to do nothing without us. The Creator of the universe awaits the prayer of a poor little soul to save other souls redeemed like it at the price of all his Blood."* When God's word is spoken his kingdom is revealed and his power is released. When people respond to God's word with faith and obedience they are changed and made "a new creation" in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Witness the joy of the Gospel

God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, as his ambassadors and he uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the Gospel. Paul the Apostle says, "But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing" (2 Corinthians 2:15). Do you witness to those around you the joy of the Gospel and do you pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love and truth?

"Lord Jesus, fill my heart with love and compassion for those who do not know you or follow you. May I be a good witness of your truth and salvation to my family, friends, and co-workers."

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 10TH

There will be two Masses on Ash Wednesday – 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. It is a day of Fasting & Abstinence.

PARISH LENTEN DEVOTIONS 2016

DAILY MASS: Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 7 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday at 8 a.m.

ROSARY: Mondays at 6:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

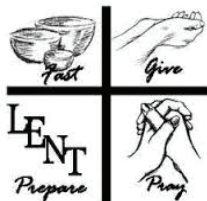
THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: Sung on Fridays at 3:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: 2nd and 4th Friday of every month following the 7:00 p.m. Mass and Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Monday, March 14th from 7:30 p.m.

Please see the posters on the bulletin board at the back of the church for other Lenten activities that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto.



Mass Intentions  for the Week

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

+ Albert Fragomeni

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

INTENTION AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

INTENTION AVAILABLE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

+ Assunta Renzullo Ross

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

INTENTION AVAILABLE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Vigil Mass for the 1st Sunday in Lent

5:00 P.M.

+ Edward O'Donnell

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 :

1st Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. + Jill Mills

9:30 a.m. S.I. Parish Community

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m. + Esmá Toste

*Please call the parish office, 905-822-8132, Ext. 3,
to arrange a Mass Intention.*

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
FOR CANDIDATES IN GRADE 7 & UP

You are invited to consider whether you would like to receive the fullness of initiation into the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation. To learn more about the preparation process, I invite you and your parents to attend the last information meeting on **Saturday, February 13th at 10:00 a.m.**

In order to register for Confirmation, please bring the following with you to the meeting:

- 1. PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR CATHOLIC BAPTISM CERTIFICATE**
2. \$25 for the Confirmation resource fee
3. The name of your Confirmation Sponsor. A Confirmation Sponsor must fulfill the following conditions:
 - a. Confirmed Catholic
 - b. 16 years of age or older
 - c. Practising Catholic
 - d. Not be the parent of the Candidate

Each meeting will be held in St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall (Basement).



JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
Spiritual Works of Mercy

1. Instruct the ignorant

"Philip ran up and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and said, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone instructs me?'" – Acts 8:30-31

"It is an illusion to think that faith, tied to weak reasoning, might be more penetrating; on the contrary, faith then runs the grave risk of withering into myth or superstition." The most urgent task today is "to lead people to discover both their capacity to know the truth and their yearning for ultimate and definitive meaning of life." - St. John Paul II, Fides et Ratio, 48 and 102

Lived out in the Archdiocese of Toronto: Archdiocesan Education Partners; Check out our features on Brother Domenic Viggiani, FSC President of De La Salle College "Oaklands" and Sr. Maria Louise Edwards, CSSF, Mission Integration Coordinator at Holy Name of Mary College School; St. Augustine's Seminary; Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. For more information about the Jubilee Year of Mercy, please check the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org

MARRIAGE SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 6 & 7, 2016

Cardinal Collins has designated this weekend as Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The event provides an opportunity to honour husband and wife while saluting the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy that comes with the marriage covenant. To those preparing for marriage, newlyweds and those that have been companions on the journey for decades, we offer our prayers and best wishes in a special way this weekend.

A PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Father of life and love, You created us in your image – woman and man. We rejoice and thank you for the gift of each other. Sustain us in our love and lead us to a deeper understanding of your love. Jesus, we come before you, seeking your guidance and direction in our relationship. In marriage you call and challenge us to a permanent, exclusive and sacred friendship. Be our strength and support, therefore, as we continue this journey together. Holy Spirit, help us to strive towards a lasting, honest commitment united in love. Give us your strength to carry each other in times of darkness, your joy in times of happiness, and your gift of awe in the uniqueness and sacredness of each other. May our love be a reflection and a sign of your love in the world. **Amen.**

HOLY HOUR WITH MUSIC LED BY THE SISTERS OF LIFE

Thursday, February 11th

7 p.m. – 8 p.m. Holy Hour (*Confession available*)

8 p.m. – 9 p.m. Social

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