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New Parishioners

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 joysocialclub@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.)

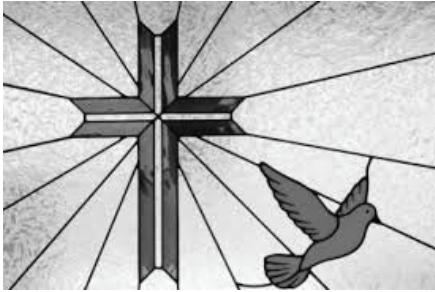
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PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 15, 2016

“They were all filled with the Holy Spirit!”



Do you know and experience in your own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? After his death and resurrection Jesus promised to give his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. He said to them, *Receive the Holy Spirit!* (John 20:22) Jesus knew that his disciples would need the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them. The gift of the Holy Spirit was conditional upon the ascension of Jesus to the right hand of the Father. That is why Jesus instructed the apostles to *wait in Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high* (Luke 24:49). Why did they need *power from on high*? The Gospels tell us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized at the Jordan River:

"And John bore witness, 'I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him... this is he who *baptizes with the Holy Spirit*'" (John 1:32, 33; Mark 1:8; Matthew 3:11).

"*And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan, and was led by the Spirit for forty days in the wilderness... and Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee*" (Luke 4:1,14).

Basil the Great (329-379 AD), an early church father, explains the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives:

"The Spirit restores paradise to us and the way to heaven and adoption as children of God; he instills confidence that we may call God truly Father and grants us the grace of Christ to be children of the light and to enjoy eternal glory. In a word, he bestows the fullness of blessings in this world and the next; for we may contemplate now in the mirror of faith the promised things we shall someday enjoy. If this is the foretaste, what must the reality be? If these are the first fruits, what must be the harvest?" (From the treatise by Basil on The Holy Spirit)

The Lord Jesus offers each one of us the gift and power of his Holy Spirit. He wants to make our faith strong, give us hope that endures, and a love that never grows cold. He never refuses to give his Spirit to those who ask with expectant faith. Jesus instructed his disciples to ask confidently for the gift of the Spirit: "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" (Luke 11:13). Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life he offers through the gift of his Spirit?

"Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom."

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Please remember in your prayers the young people of our parish who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 18 at 7:00 p.m. Please note that these Masses will be regular daily Masses and no intentions will be accepted. The Intention will be for our Confirmandi.

Men's ACTS RETREAT May 16 –19

Powerful new retreat experience based on adoration, community, theology, and service. Men ministering to men. To register or for more information, call Queen of Apostles at 905.278.5229

NO WEEKDAY MASSES May 23 – 26 inclusive

Fr. Bernard will be on the Archdiocesan Priests' Retreat from Monday, May 23rd to Thursday, May 26th inclusive. Weekday Masses will not be celebrated on these days. Kindly visit the neighbouring Parishes for Masses. Thank you.

Mass Intentions  for the Week

MONDAY, MAY 16 - 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Mike Fullen
+ Eugenio Reyes

TUESDAY, MAY 17 - 8:00 A.M.

Intention Available

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 - 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Confirmandi

THURSDAY, MAY 19 - 8 A.M.

Intention Available

FRIDAY, MAY 20 - 7:00 P.M.

Intention Available

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Vigil Mass for THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY - 5:00 P.M.

+ Myles O'Grady

SUNDAY, MAY 22 - HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Intention Available

9:30 a.m. Intention Available

11:00 a.m. S.I. Parish Community

12:30 p.m. Intention Available

PLEASE COME TO THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER A MASS INTENTION. THANK YOU

SPRING PLANT BASKETS

Spring Plant Baskets, ordered from the Knights of Columbus, will be available for pickup at the church after all Masses this weekend, May 14 & 15. Thank you for your support. Need further information? Call Wayne Ferrell 905-607-5981.



**Quo Vadis Discernment Retreat
May 27 – 29, 2016
St. Augustine's Seminary**

The Quo Vadis Discernment Retreat is a great place for men finishing high school and older who want to begin to consider what God's plan might be for them.

The Retreat offers short conferences on discernment, time for rest, reflection, Adoration, confession and the assistance of the Director of Vocations and select Priests of the Vocations Council.

If you are interested, please call 416.968.0997 or email vocations_archtoronto.org.



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In response to operational challenges and funding cuts, agencies continue to explore creative ways of working together and reaching more clients. The first initiative known as "Shared Services" encourages agencies to share back office functions in the areas of human resources, financial management and information technology. The vision for this effort is to strengthen the collaboration of agencies guided by the philosophy of working for the common good. Ultimately these administrative and program efficiencies will lead to enhanced organizational capacity, reducing overhead and administrative costs for ShareLife supported agencies.

Next ShareLife Sunday is May 29, 2016

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Kindly **DO NOT USE 2015** Offering Envelopes as this could impact your 2016 Tax Receipt. 2016 Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Kindly **PRINT** your name and address on the first four offering envelopes.

The following 2016 Offering Envelope Numbers have not been identified: **286, 320, 362, 367, 491, 494, 633, and 660**. If one of these numbers belongs to you, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for your generosity to the Parish and your assistance in these matters.

**New Beginnings Talk on
Marriage and Annulment
May 16, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**

You are invited to a New Beginnings Talk on the topic of Marriage and Annulment given by Fr. Alexander Laschuk, JCL, at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge Street, 4th Floor. The Talk explores the Church's teaching on the Sacrament of Marriage and why in some cases a declaration of nullity (annulment) is granted. For more information, please contact us at 416.921.1163, Ext. 2227 or 2235.

JOY Social Club.....

Boat Cruise aboard the RMS SEGWUM on Lakes Joseph and Rousseau, lunch at Sherwood Inn Resort, Port Carling and visit the Muskoka Boat and Heritage Museum. **Thursday, July 28th**, departing 8:30 a.m. returning 6:00 p.m. Cost \$125 per person. Deadline **June 26th**. No refunds for this event. Details on bulletin board. Sign-up in the Parish Office.

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