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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 once a 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 the gift at home, in hospital or a nursing home, please call the parish office at any time.

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: 5:00 PM, 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM Mass

Weekday Eucharist
Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:00 AM
Saturdays 9:00 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 (excluding holidays) 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
Club 55	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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2015

"Receive 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).

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:7), and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26), and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires (2 Corinthians 3:17; Romans 8:21). The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's will. The Spirit is the source and giver of all holiness. Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2).

The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus. After his resurrection Jesus "breathed" on his disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. Just as God breathed life into Adam, so the gift of the Holy Spirit is an impartation of "new life" for his people. With the gift of the Holy Spirit a new creation begins. God recreates us for his glory. Jesus' gift of peace to his disciples was more than an absence of trouble. His peace included the forgiveness of sins and the fullness of everything good. Do you want power to live a faith-filled life as a disciple of Jesus? Ask the Father to fill you with the power of his Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13).

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."

THANK YOU FROM FR. BERNARD

Dear Parishioners,

I am very grateful for your prayers, support and expressions of sympathy following the death of my mother. During this difficult time, I thank the Lord for all of you.

Fr. Bernard

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 25 AT 7:00 P.M.

+ **Henry Hayes**

TUESDAY, MAY 26 AT 8:00 A.M.

INTENTION AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27 AT 7:00 P.M.

CONFIRMATION MASS – NO OTHER INTENTIONS

THURSDAY, MAY 28 AT 8:00 A.M.

INTENTION AVAILABLE

FRIDAY, MAY 29 AT 7:00 P.M.

INTENTION AVAILABLE

SATURDAY, MAY 30 AT 9:00 A.M.

INTENTION AVAILABLE

SATURDAY, MAY 30 AT 5:00 P.M.

Vigil Mass for The Most Holy Trinity

+ **Donato Luigi Natuzzi**

+ **Tom & Dean McMillen**

SUNDAY, MAY 31, The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 a.m. **INTENTION AVAILABLE**

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

11:00 a.m. **INTENTION AVAILABLE**

12:30 p.m. **INTENTION AVAILABLE**

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

WORKING WONDERS FOR THOSE WHO NEED HELP IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD...



"What an ambassador for Mary Centre he was, and Gord was really tickled to be chosen for this role as co-speaker." said Dominic Conforti, retiring Director at Mary Centre. Gord, who is intellectually challenged, shared his story at the 2014 ShareLife Golf tournament about how he and his two brothers came to be part of Mary Centre. He spoke about Christina who helps them during the day involving them in activities in the community and teaching them to do things for themselves. Then there was James who is with them on the weekends and helped them grow a veggie garden every spring and summer and the pride they feel when they pick their vegetables. Last year, over 2,300 people with special needs received the compassion and care they needed to enjoy their life and be productive in their homes and communities.

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CLUB 55 NEWS

Mark your calendars.... Club 55 is planning a Pasta Dinner/Movie Night on June 3rd - Dinner 6:30 p.m. Movie at 7:30 p.m. Details posted on bulletin Board. Register in St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Office. **Deadline: May 27th.**

Club 55 is planning a Grand River Cruise, Caledonia, on Thursday, June 25th - Leaving 8:30 a.m. Returning approx. 6:00 p.m. Cost per person: Members: \$110 Non-Members: \$115. Register in St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Office. **Deadline: June 8th. No Refunds.**

SAVE THE DATE!!

**Our parish picnic is coming soon.
Sunday, June 28 at 2:00 p.m.
At Huron Park!!**

LEGION OF MARY PATRICIANS' MEETING

Thank you all for attending and participating in discussion at the 1st Patricians' Meeting last January. Everyone agreed that they learned from the discussion and the summation by Fr. Bernard about "The Eucharist."

Let's continue our discussions about our faith. The 2nd Patricians' meeting will be held on Monday, May 25th after the Novena Mass at 7:30pm. The topic to be discussed is "Mary in the Bible." As in the first session, all parishioners and friends are welcome. A hot beverage and light refreshments will be served.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #8668 ARE HOLDING AN ONLINE GARAGE SALE

For information on great deals please log on to <http://www.kofc8668.org/>. Also check the bulletin board at the church entrance. For more details – contact Gerry Gonsalves - 647 972 6664 or Augustine Mathias – 647 528 9747"



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Please remember in your prayers the young people of our parish who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 27, at 7:00 p.m. Please note that this Mass will not be regular daily Mass and no intentions will be accepted. The Intention will be for our Confirmation Candidates.



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