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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)

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 905-822-8132 Social Committee 905-822-8132 ext. 3 Ministry of Consolation & Hope **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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 27, 2015

"Anyone who does a mighty work in my name"

Do you rejoice in the good that others do? Jesus reprimands his disciples for their jealousy and suspicion. They were upset that someone who was not of their company was performing a good work in the name of Jesus. They even "forbade" the man "because he was not following us." Jesus' reply is filled with wisdom: "No one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon after to speak evil of me." Are we not like the disciples when we get upset at the good deeds of others who seem to shine more than us? Paul says that "love is not jealous... but rejoices in the right" (1 Corinthians 13:4, 6).

Envy and jealousy must be rooted out of our hearts

Envy and jealousy, its counterpart, are sinful because they lead us to sorrow over what should make us rejoice – namely, our neighbor's good. The reason we may grieve over another's good is that somehow we see that good as lessening our own value or excellence. Envy forms when we believe that the other person's advantage or possession diminishes or brings disgrace on us. Envy is contrary to love. Both the object of love and the object of envy is our neighbour's good, but by contrary movements, since love rejoices in our neighbour's good, while envy grieves over it.

God rewards those who do good to others

Everyone in need has a claim on us because they are dear to God who created them in his own image and likeness (Genesis 1:26-27). God created us in love for love. We are most free and happy when we love as he loves. The love and charitable help we show to our neighbour also expresses the gratitude we have for the abundant mercy and kindness of God towards us. Jesus declared that any kindness shown and any help given to those in need would not lose its reward. Jesus never refused to give to anyone in need who asked for his help. As his disciples we are called to be kind and generous as he is. Are you grateful for God's mercy and kindness towards you and are you ready to show that same kindness and generosity towards your neighbour?

Avoiding evil and the near occasion of sin

Was Jesus exaggerating when he urged his followers to use drastic measures to avoid evil and its harmful consequences (Mark 9:42-48)? Jesus set before his disciples the one supreme goal in life that is worth any sacrifice, and that goal is God himself and his will for our lives which leads to everlasting peace and happiness. Just as a doctor might remove a limb or some part of the body in order to preserve the life of the whole body, so we must be ready to part with anything that causes us to sin and which leads to spiritual death.

"Lord Jesus, free my heart from envy and jealousy, and every disordered thought and wrong desire, that I may always treat each person with respect and goodness for the glory of your name."

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN

Parish Goal	Parish Share	Current Total Pledged
\$670,000	\$167,500	\$439,390.00



Thank you for your support of the Family of Faith campaign! With your commitments, our parish has raised 66% of our campaign goal! Your generosity is amazing!

As the campaign moves into its final weeks here, please carefully consider the commitment you can make to this historic campaign, if you haven't already made one.

You set the terms on what your pledge will be, and how you would like to pay it. A pledge is a

non-binding commitment....if you find that your circumstances change in the future; you can adjust your pledge accordingly.

If you have not yet made a pledge, Commitment Weekend cards were distributed at Mass this weekend, or you can contact the parish office for assistance.

Completed Pledge Forms can be delivered to the parish office, placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the Sacristy before or after Mass.

Thank you to each member of our parish family for your continued support.

Stay in touch with the campaign at www.ourFamilyofFaith.ca and follow in Twitter: @family of faith.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 7:00 P.M.
INTENTION AVAILABLE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 AT 8:00 A.M.

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael (Feast)

S.I. For thanksgiving and well-being of Beatriz Albuquerque and Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 AT 7:00 P.M. St. Jerome

INTENTION AVAILABLE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 AT 8:00 A.M.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus
INTENTION AVAILABLE

FIRST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 7:00 P.M.

+ Holy Souls

For Priests, living and deceased

S.I. The Hatch Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 AT 5:00 P.M.

Vigil Mass for 27TH Sunday In Ordinary Time

S.I. For the Parish Community

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4: 27TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.00 a.m. + Holy Souls

+ Marguerite & Peter MacDonell

S.I. Margaret MacKenzie

9:30 a.m. + Joseph, Francisco & Dionisio Castro

+ Leonida Nuque

11:00 a.m. + Martina Hatch

S.I. Neil Shevlen

S.I. Fred Cabri

12:30 p.m. + Luciano Cenciano Tan

+ Ignacio Uy Tan

+ Damaso Pua Yu

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

Mass Intention.

"PROJECT HOPE"

This 100-day campaign aims to raise \$3 million in order to settle 100 refugee families in the Archdiocese of Toronto as soon as possible. The effort will also require 100 volunteer committees to assist with settlement services.

To make a donation to support the appeal, visit: www.archtoronto.org or call (416) 934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH — PROJECT HOPE — REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP. Those interested in assisting with volunteer committees should contact the Office for Refugees at (647) 780-0827.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This process will begin on Tuesday, October 6th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. to welcome inquirers. If you are interested, please call the parish office (905) 822-8132, Ext. 3, and leave your name and telephone number.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS- OCTOBER 2, 2015
Sign-up sheets at the back of the church.

EMILY NAIL, Youth Minister

Please note that Emily is taking a leave of absence at this time and so our EDGE Youth Group and Missionary Trips will not take place until her return.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION NEWS

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents of children in Grade 2 and up: if you were unable to attend our Parent Information Meeting on Sat. Sept. 26, there is another meeting on Thursday, October 1st at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parents and young people in Grade 8 and up who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend **one** of the following meetings: Thursday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, October 10 at 10:00 a.m. or Saturday, October 17 at 10:00 a.m. All meetings will be held in the parish hall.

Grade 7 students will receive information about the Sacrament of Confirmation in January 2016.

YOU ARE INVITED TO LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 4 from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.



Contact John Killackey for information (905) 820-9232.

CLUB 55 IS PLANNING TWO EVENTS

Bowling Day at Classic Bowling with Lunch at the Mandarin on Wednesday, October 7, 2015. Details on bulletin board. Sign Up St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Office. Deadline: Sept. 26th.

"Harvest" Pot Luck on Thursday, October 15, 2015 in the Parish Hall. Details on bulletin board. Sign up St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Office. Deadline: October 11, 2015.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

The Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, our patron Saint, is on October 4th, 2015. Our annual blessing of our furry friends will take place on **Saturday, Oct. 3rd, at 6:30 p.m**. in the back of the church parking lot. There will be a barbecue to follow.

BUNDLE UP SUNDAY IS COMING SOON!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in our parking lot on October 17 & 18 to accept your donations of good used clothing and leather shoes. Thank you.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Volunteers are needed for the church gardens. We meet Saturday mornings, but there is work that can be done to suit your schedule. All are welcome: men, women and students. For students, this is a good way to meet volunteer hour's requirements for school. Call Dolores Wielgus at 905-822-5297.

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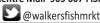
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