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#### **SUNDAY MASSES:**

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy)

8:30 a.m. English Mass 9:30 a.m. Low Mass

(Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)

11:30 a.m. Sung English Mass

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Before every Mass on Sundays Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

#### **WEEKDAY MASS:**

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday

10:00 a.m. Saturday

#### **MARRIAGES:**

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

**BAPTISMS:** On Sundays by appointment.

#### **PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:**

Mr. Peter Bishop: 416-535-7646

#### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:**

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-9944

#### MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

#### A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER

There will be no music for the 11:30 Mass until August 17. Thank you to the volunteers in the choir who generously contributed to the music ministry of this Mass.

#### PARISH FINANCES, JULY 19/20

Regular Collection	\$2325
ShareLife	\$20
Anniversary Fund	\$3256

Thank you very much for your generous support.

#### **ANNIVERSARY FUND COLLECTIONS**

The next scheduled collection for the Anniversary Fund will take place **this Sunday**, **July 27**, at all Masses. Envelopes (labelled Maintenance and Debt) are in this week's bulletin and in the offertory envelope boxes. They may be placed in the offertory at any time. The collection for the month of August will take place on **Sunday**, **August 17**. Please continue to generously support the parish in this collection.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION: CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA

There will be a second collection for Canadian and Foreign missions taken up at all Sunday Masses on **August 10**. Catholic Missions in Canada and Scarboro Missions promote and support our Catholic faith through the Gospel and mission service both in the poorest and furthest regions of Canada and in countries all over the world. Thank you for your support of this important work. Envelopes will be available in next week's bulletin.

#### **VOCATION DISCERNMENT**

"Give your servant therefore an understanding mind..." Perhaps the priesthood or consecrated life awaits you. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997 or speak to one of the priests in the parish or email vocations@vocations.ca. Visit the vocations website at www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

The parish office will be closed from Friday, August 8 until Friday, August 22 for summer holidays. If you need to book a Mass, or if you have any other parish related needs, then please call Fr. Daniel Utrecht at 416-532-2879 and leave a message.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JULY 28

8:00 (+) Viktor Leben, req. by Antonia Leben

TUESDAY, JULY 29

St. Martha, Disciple of the Lord

8:00 (+) Dan Diewold, reg. by Eric & Pat Robb

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor

8:00 James Mulhern, req. by Paul & Charlotte Mulhern

THURSDAY, JULY 31

St. Ignatius of Loyala, Priest

8:00 (+) Grace Rafacz, req. by Stella Carr

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor

8:00 (+) Rose Diewold, reg. by Eric & Pat Robb

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

10:00 (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners 5:00 Patrick Kotwa, req. by Sophie Kotwa

#### AN UNDERSTANDING HEART

Today's first reading provided a source for the important speech that Pope Benedict XVI gave to the German lawmakers during his visit to Berlin in September 2011. Here are a few of his remarks on the foundations of law: "Allow me to begin my reflections on the foundations of law [Recht] with a brief story from sacred Scripture. In the First Book of the Kings, it is recounted that God invited the young King Solomon, on his accession to the throne, to make a request. What will the young ruler ask for at this important moment? Success - wealth - long life - destruction of his enemies? He chooses none of these things. Instead, he asks for a listening heart so that he may govern God's people, and discern between good and evil (cf. 1 Kg 3:9). Through this story, the Bible wants to tell us what should ultimately matter for a politician. His fundamental criterion and the motivation for his work as a politician must not be success, and certainly not material gain. Politics must be a striving for justice, and hence it has to establish the fundamental preconditions for peace. Naturally a politician will seek success, without which he would have no opportunity for effective political action at all. Yet success is subordinated to the criterion of justice, to the will to do what is right, and to the understanding of what is right. Success can also be seductive and thus can open up the path towards the falsification of what is right, towards the destruction of justice. "Without justice – what else is the State but a great band of robbers?" as Saint Augustine

once said. We Germans know from our own experience that these words are no empty spectre. We have seen how power became divorced from right, how power opposed right and crushed it, so that the State became an instrument for destroying right – a highly organized band of robbers, capable of threatening the whole world and driving it to the edge of the abyss. To serve right and to fight against the dominion of wrong is and remains the fundamental task of the politician. At a moment in history when man has acquired previously inconceivable power, this task takes on a particular urgency. Man can destroy the world. He can manipulate himself. He can, so to speak, make human beings and he can deny them their humanity. How do we recognize what is right? How can we discern between good and evil, between what is truly right and what may appear right? Even now, Solomon's request remains the decisive issue facing politicians and politics today."

To read the entire speech, google "benedict xvi reichstag".

- Fr. Daniel Utrecht

#### COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

Communion is distributed to the housebound on the first and third Friday of each month. Please let us know if you have relatives or friends who should be on our list. Contact the parish office, 416-535-7646.

## YOUTH WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYRS' SHRINE August 18 to August 23

Registration forms are now available at the rectory of Holy Family.

#### REGENERATE(D) 2014: HAVE YOU HEARD THE WORD?

Branches Catholic Ministries, who recently sponsored film screenings of the new epic motion picture Mary of Nazareth in Southwestern Ontario, will be hosting a fall conference September 27 to 28 at the Scotiabank Centre Niagrara Convention in Falls, Canada. Regenerate(d) 2014 will feature dynamic talks from renowned Catholic speakers, including Jeff Cavins, Michael Coren, Matthew Leonard, Father Mitch Pacwa. and Ken Yasinski, as well as musical performances by Marian Grace and the Glory Collective. Early Bird Registration and Group Discounts are available. Register online at www.go2brances.com. Come and Live the Story.

#### PLANNING TO BE A CATHOLIC TEACHER?

It is critical for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic school board in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you (or if your adult child) is planning to apply to teach in a Catholic school, it is highly recommended you contact the pastor before Thanksgiving. Please plan to have a conversation with your pastor early in the process and you will avoid disappointment and stress at the time when applications are to be submitted.

#### FAITH AND SHARING RETREAT: AUGUST 10-14

Faith and Sharing retreats began in 1968 when Jean Vanier was asked to give a retreat to priests. Instead, he insisted on inviting a complete cross-section of the people of God. That tradition continues in 2014, with the annual Faith and Sharing retreat taking place August 10 to 14 at Marylake Retreat House in King City. Join the larger group at meals and for social time, in Morning Prayer as well as at daily Mass, and to hear inspiring talks. You will also have the opportunity to share insights in small groups, and spend quiet time with the Blessed Sacrament, as well as free time exploring the beautiful grounds. The animator will be Fr. Pierre Desroches. The cost per person is \$150. Space is limited, so register early. For more information, or to register, please contact Patrick Treacy at patrickthink@yahoo.com or 519-962-2482, or Monica Donovan at 416-425-9944. There is also a website: www.faithandsharing.net

#### **SVP100:** CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Saturday September 27th 2014 at 10:00 a.m:

Inaugural Mass for 100th Anniversary Celebrations. This date marks the 100th Anniversary of the first Mass in the newly established parish as well as the beginning of St. Vincent de Paul School. This will be a joint celebration with St. Vincent de Paul School and Church. There will be a reception after the Mass in the parish hall and the school will host a BBQ and an Open House. Former parishioners and students are welcome to attend!

#### Happening in 2015 . . .

#### **Saturday June 13th 2015 at 11:00 a.m:**

Homecoming Mass and Strawberry Social.

#### Friday June 19th 2015 at 8 p.m:

Concert of Sacred Music.

#### Saturday August 15th 2015 at 10:00 a.m:

Solemn High Mass Usus Antiquior for Our Lady's Assumption.

#### Saturday September 19th 2015 at 10:00 a.m:

Mass with his Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Parish. A Gala Reception will follow in the parish hall.

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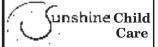
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