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Day of Confession
Wed. March 9th
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Palm Sunday

March 19th - 5:15 pm Mass
March 20th - 10:00 a.m. Mass
12:00 p.m. Mass
(African Catholic Community)

***All Palm Sunday masses begin with
procession around the church.***

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday – March 24th

***Please join us downstairs in the hall for a Simple
Supper at 6 p.m.***

***(people bring homemade soup to share enough for
your family plus 1)***

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8:00 p.m.

***(Bring bells to ring and towels for the washing of
feet)***

***Followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until 12:00 a.m. in the church.***

Good Friday – March 25th

Good Friday Service

***(African Catholic Community presides and all are
welcome)***

at 3:00 p.m.

***Reminder: Good Friday is a day of Fast and
Abstinence for all Catholics***

EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Easter Vigil Sat. March 26th – 8 p.m.

(Bring bells to ring)

Easter Morning, March 27th

10:00 a.m.

(Bring bells to ring)

12:00 p.m. African Catholic Community



Mass Intentions

& DAILY READINGS

Rosary at 11:50 a.m.

Tues. March 8th: ferial

12:05 pm: 1st Year Death Anniversary Erlinda
Thaung +
Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12, Ps. 46.1-2, 4-5, 7-8, John 5.1-16

Wed. March 9th: ferial

12:05 pm: Francisco Jorge Jr. +
*Isaiah 49.8-15, Ps. 145.8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18, John
5.16-30*

Thurs. March 10th: ferial

12:05 pm:
*Exodus 32.7-14, Ps. 106.19-20, 21-22, 23, John 5.18,
31-47 ++*

Fri. March 11th: ferial

12:05 pm: Winkler Family +
*Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22, Ps. 34.16-17, 18-19, 20+22,
John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30*

Sat. March 12th: ferial

5:15 pm: Helen & A.J. Gougeon & Ray Doherty +
*Jeremiah 11.18-20, Ps. 7.1-2, 8bc-9, 10-11, John
7.40-53*

**Readings for
Fifth Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 13th, 2016**

1st Reading: *Isaiah 43.16-21*

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps. 126.1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5, 6*

Second Reading: *Philippians 3.8-14*

Gospel: *John 8.1-11*

***For next weekend –
March 12th & 13th***

Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Steven Hozjan, John Howard

10:00 am – Romeo Lopez, Anne Marie Cassin, Earl

Totten, Megan Lashley

***Please note: Eucharistic Ministers. If you cannot
be present, please get a replacement to cover your
ministry.***



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M.**

March 11th – R.C.I.A.

March 18th – African Catholic Community

**Please pray for all who are ill,
especially**

Marlon Kowalski, Myrna Anacta, Delores Gordon,
Deacon Hugh Taylor, Sophia Karapita, Heather
Tobias, Carmela Morra, Maria Soares, Laura
MacDonald, Patricia Cull and Maria Jose Bouey.

**HOLY NAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN**

Holy Name Catholic School is accepting Full-day Kindergarten Registrations. Children born in 2012 are eligible to begin Junior Kindergarten beginning September 2016. Parents can complete their application via the Student Online Application Registration Website at <http://soar.tcdsb.org>. If you need further information, please contact the school at 416-393-5215 and speak with the secretary.

**Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide –
Statement from Cardinal Thomas
Collins**

“Physicians across our country who have devoted their lives to healing patients will soon be asked to do the exact opposite. They will not be asked to ease their suffering by providing them with treatment and loving care, but by putting them to death. In fact, killing a patient will no longer be considered a crime, but will actually be seen as a kind of health care, complete with legislation to regulate it.” www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia

TELL LEGISLATORS HOW YOU FEEL.

Visit CanadiansForConscience.ca to write directly to your Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing your concerns. Urge your elected representative 1) to protect the vulnerable; and 2) to ensure that individuals and institutions can provide health care without having to compromise their moral convictions.



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Pope Francis reminds us that this is the year of mercy. How do we extend the hands of Christ to others in our daily lives? For some, it may be caring for an elderly relative, volunteering at a soup kitchen, or helping to collect food or raise funds for charity. In our busy society, many of us do not have the time to actively participate, and as such we rely on the many agencies within our community to provide love, care and support to those in need. In the Archdiocese of Toronto our annual ShareLife appeal provides resources to over 40 agencies, bringing much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world. Collectively, through our support, we share in their success in making a positive difference in the lives of those they serve.

Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, consider your ability to help your brothers and sisters in Christ, and make a contribution to our annual appeal. You will be helping to make a difference – indeed you will be working wonders!

Next Sunday, March 13, 2016 is ShareLife Sunday

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Update on Refugee Sponsorship

If you were at the 10am Mass last Sunday, then you heard from Khalid Guiliana - a settlement counselor from the Arab Community Center of Toronto. He is working with the Holy Name Refugee Sponsorship group to prepare for the arrival and ongoing settlement of our family.

Khalid was part of the skype call we made with the family last Sunday after Mass. It was an emotional moment when Khalid realized that he is from a village in Iraq that is literally five kilometers away from the hometown of the woman in the family we are sponsoring. There was much excitement at this realization. She said she felt better knowing that someone from her part of Iraq would be helping she and her husband and daughter settle here.

These skype calls happen every few weeks so that we can get to know each other, and build a relationship prior to their arrival. We have been told by our sponsorship agreement holder - ORAT (Office For Refugees with the Archdiocese of Toronto) that the best way to stay informed about the status of our family is through our local MP.

We are in steady contact with people working in the office of our Liberal MP Julie Dabrusin.

The latest information we have is that the Canadian Embassy in Amman Jordan has started the process of security and other checks that will hopefully lead to the family being approved to come to Toronto.

This is a process that could take weeks, or possibly months. We simply do not know. There is a sense that because the federal government has now reached its goal of bringing 25-thousand Syrian refugees to Canada, refugee applications from Iraqis and others already in the system will be processed forthwith.

We do expect that once the Embassy contacts our family for an interview, the process will move fairly quickly.

In the meantime, we continue our preparations, and we'll keep you updated. As always, thank you for your ongoing interest and support.

The Holy Name Refugee Sponsorship group.

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