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They Recognized Him at the Breaking of the Bread

The Eucharist is an encounter with the Risen Lord present in the bread and wine consecrated on the altar. It is also an encounter with Him in the Word of God proclaimed to God's people. We meet Jesus as well in our brothers and sisters in the assembly for He said, "when two or more are gathered in my name I will be in their midst." So, in many ways, the Mass is a gracious encounter with the Lord; this encounter revives our hope and encourages us to become sacraments of Christ in our daily lives.

The disciples of Emmaus were saddened by the death of Jesus. They walked back home grieving over the loss of their dear friend and Lord. They had placed their trust in Him and all seems to be ended. Their disappointment was so deep that they could not see Jesus walking with them. As Jesus opened to them the Scriptures, their hearts were burning but still not able to understand the resurrection. It is only in the breaking of the bread that they recognized Him; yet He disappeared from their sight. That is to say Jesus is risen in them! He restored their hope and joy so they could proclaim this good news to the other disciples.

We also have come to church today to encounter Jesus. He comes to us by the power of the Holy Spirit. As the disciples of Emmaus we ask Him to stay with us to dispel our sadness and renew our faith. He breaks bread and feeds us with His own Body. Jesus now invites us to become broken bread for everyone.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 29 – May 6, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Kenny Corraya
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+Tom & Rita Biordi, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Mary Sebastian, requested by Robin & Tina
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Monica Prodhumme, requested by N. Marin
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Jessie Colmer
	7:00 p.m.	+Raphael Francis, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Chris Colmer
	7:00 p.m.	+Teresita Saclayan & deceased members of the family, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Angela Wallinson
	7:00 p.m.	+Hendrina Schuyffel, requested by the Kastanis family
		+Myra Samuel, requested by H. & V. Francis
		+Souls in purgatory +Val Francis, requested by M. Fernando
Friday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Rita Immanuel
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Conchita Rosales, requested by the family

Calling all Young Adults!

Saturday, April 29 & Sunday, April 30

Curious to know more about how to grow deeper in your faith? Learn about current events, activities and ministries catered specifically to young adults.

Please meet with us in the church hall today after Mass to learn more!

ShareLife



Living the Gospel by helping families in crisis ...

Having experienced childhood sexual abuse, Tom originally sought counselling treatment for resulting depression at a local clinic.

Since Tom has experienced the death of his wife, his increased drinking, drug addiction, suicidal thoughts, depression and financial loss had placed an immense strain on his relationship with his mother and two sons. Through the 12 step program and other counselling at Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County, Tom has experienced a tremendous peace and healing in his family relationships. "Giving hope and saving lives is what this is all about," shared Tom, "I am very grateful to ShareLife for the funding they provide to Catholic Family Services of Simcoe." Over 21,000 individuals received help in getting their lives back on track through ShareLife-supported Family Services Programs.

To date we have collected \$34,309.41 which is 52% of our goal of \$65,000.00. Thank you to all those who have generously donated!

Next Sunday, May 7, 2017 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

First Friday Exposition

Friday, May 5, 2017



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Fri., May. 5th from 8:00 a.m. (after the 7:30 a.m. Mass) to 6:30 p.m. (before the 7:00 p.m. Mass). Please come and spend some time in adoration.

Retreat Weekend for Single Women

Friday, May 26 to Sunday, May 28



The Sisters of St. Joseph will hold a Retreat Weekend for single women ages 20 to 55 on May 26 – 28. The registration

contact is Frances Harrison-Atell at 416-467-2642 or at fharrison-atell@scj-to.ca.

First Holy Communion



Our children have been preparing to receive their First Holy Communion. They received the sacrament of their First Confession and now they will be receiving Jesus in their

First Communion this Sun., Apr. 30th at the 11:30 a.m. Mass and next Sun., May 7th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please pray for them as they journey in their faith!

Is God Calling You?

Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does our heart burn in His presence? How are you being called – as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Catholic Education Week "Walking Forward Together"

April 30 – May 5, 2017




We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2017, which runs from

April 30 – May 5. For more than 165 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more information about Catholic Education Week visit www.goodnewsforall.ca.

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Pierre Claver, Erin Joseph, Marty Kann Jr., Elias Joseph, Josie Habr, Esperanza Cabrera, Gladys Divinagracia, Yvonne Rampersaud, Phyllis Cogliano, Dominic, Rita Croft, Itoua Steve, Henry Sharp, Mikayla Haswell, Albert Vella, Bella Passanha, Denise Wilde and Kenny Corraya. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.




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