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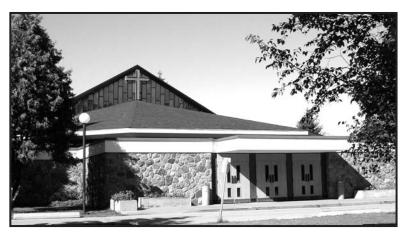
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# **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. Willyans Rapozo SCJ Associate Pastors: Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ, Rev. Benedito Machado SCJ Priests of the Sacred Heart Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Suzy Correia Religious Ed. Coordinator: Gracie Nepomuceno Pastoral Council Chair: Mike Carolan Caretaker: Rodel Trivino Office hours: Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

New Parishioners are requested to register in the parish by phone or email.



# Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 8:00 p.m. Spanish 2:00 p.m.

# Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. Tuesday to Friday 7:00 p.m. Saturday & Holidays 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office. Baptisms are scheduled monthly on the third and fourth Saturdays in English; on the second Saturday in Spanish.

**Marriage:** Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: If any family member with a serious illness or preparing for surgery wishes to celebrate this Sacrament, please call the parish office.

	Liturgical Ministries	
Lectors	Ven Faundo	416-299-4404
Eucharistic Ministers	Felipe and Grace Mantes	416-759-2335
Music Ministry	Donald Torres	647-449-6583
Altar Servers	Reston Senining	647-834-5546
Ushers/Greeters	Aduino Bertazzon	416-438-0507
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nora Lovgren	416-439-1545
Communion to the Sick	Hy Francis	416-284-7851
	<u>Schools</u>	
St. Thomas More Elementary Schoo		416-393-5322
St. Edmund Campion Elementary So		416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

## Youth Ministry

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# Parish Groups

Parish Council	
Mike Carolan	416-282-4750
Finance Council	
Alan King	416-439-1545
Screening Committee	
Claudine Goller	416-289-0307
St. Vincent de Paul Society	
Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-439-7827

## The Wine of Joy

At a wedding in Cana, Galilee, Jesus performed his first miracle. He turned water into wine preventing the newly-married couple from being disgraced and embarrassed. It is notable that the mother of Jesus was present at the wedding feast. She was most probably among the servers since she realized that there was a shortage of wine. This embarrassing situation represented the lack of joy and blessings. Beginning his ministry in Galilee, after being baptized by John, it was up to Jesus to restore the joy of Israel and re-establish God's covenant with his people.

Mary did not ask Jesus to do anything; rather, she identified the problem and informed him. Jesus answered that his hour had not yet come. Actually, his hour would be his life-giving on the cross. There he would manifest completely his power and save humanity once and for all. However, Jesus chose to help them and presented the new wine of joy. No one could have provided better wine!

The Lord is our Bridegroom! He chose to celebrate with us an eternal covenant by shedding his Precious Blood on the Cross. Now, we consecrate this new wine as remembrance of his sacrifice. He feeds the Church, his Bride, abundantly with his own Body and Blood. As we take part in this heavenly banquet our joy is restored and we experience the infinite love of God for us.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Inter	ntions for	Jan. 16 - 23, 2016
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Lolita Dabu, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Ida P. Innasipillai,
Sunday	0.50 a.m.	requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory,
	10.00 a.m.	especially members of
		FOSS, requested by J.
		Bernal
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish
	11.00 a.m.	community
	8:00 p.m.	+Norah Rooney,
	0.00 p.m.	requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Ciaran
		O'Donnell & family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Winivee Faundo,
	7.00 a.m.	requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Camilla Palumbo,
	1.00 p	requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Adriana
		Kiriakou
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory,
	•	especially members of
		FOSS, requested by S.
		Myers
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Quentin &
		Nedia O'Donnell
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving to St.
		Padre Pio, Phyllis
		Cogliano
		In thanksgiving, Rizalin
		Abad & family
		+Mariampillai Victor
		Philip, requested by the
		family
		+Bruce Farr, requested
Friday	7.20 c	by the C. Duque family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Simeon &
	7:00 p.m.	Cecilia Sabularse +Rob Mesman,
	7.00 p.m.	requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Nolita

#### Please Note



All parishioners who have taken a box of Sunday offertory envelopes are requested to write their name and address on the first few envelopes to ensure that

their tax receipt will be correct at the end of the year. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: James Lewis, Erlinda De Vera, Erlinda Cal, Rita Benedict, Erin Joseph, Desmond Singh, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Tilly Graham,

Mary Anderson, Ruth Aranjuez, Freddie Empensando, Rowena Torres, Reynaldo Mendoza and Esperanza Cabrera. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

### Seeing Christ Everywhere

In order to face suffering in peace: suffer without imposing on others a theory of suffering....without proclaiming yourself a martyr, without counting out the price of your courage, without disdaining sympathy and without seeking too much of it.

We must be sincere in our sufferings as in anything else. We must recognize at once our weakness and our pain, but we do not need to advertise them. We must face the fact that it is much harder to stand the long monotony of slight suffering than a passing onslaught of intense pain.

In either case, what is hard is our own poverty and the spectacle of our own selves reduced more and more to nothing, wasting away in our own estimation and in that of our friends. We must be willing to accept also the bitter truth that, in the end, we may have to become a burden to those who love us.

But it is necessary that we face this also. It takes heroic charity and humility to let others sustain us when we are absolutely incapable of sustaining ourselves.

We cannot suffer well unless we see Christ everywhere—both in suffering and in the charity of those who come to the aid of our affliction. *Thomas Merton (1915-68)* 

#### Friendship

Friendship is the source of the greatest pleasures, and without friends even the most agreeable pursuits become tedious.

Thomas Aquinas (ca. 1225-74)

#### **Bingo Night**

Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.



The Youth Group will be hosting a Bingo Night on Sat., Jan. 23, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Come for a fun night (with many prizes) and help the

youth raise funds for their activities. If you are able to donate a small prize, it would be appreciated. Please bring it to the parish office.

#### Mass in a Moment

The Liturgy of the Word

In the Liturgy of the Word, God speaks to us, opening up to us the mystery of redemption and salvation and nourishing our spirit; and Christ is present in his own word. Just as in ancient biblical times, we, God's assembled people are cut to the heart; we cry out in joyful psalms and alleluias. God's story is one we know well; and we have come to celebrate and give thanks. Assembled as God's royal and priestly people, and stirred by the indwelling Holy Spirit, we respond to this proclamation with a profession of faith and with the offering of prayers of petition on behalf of the Church and the world. After the celebration we will go back out into the world. May the Lord be in our hearts and on our lips that we may worthily proclaim his gospel with our lives.

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## Valentine's Dinner and Dance

Saturday, February 13, 2016



Our third Annual Parish Valentine's Dinner and Dance will be held on Sat., Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> after the evening Mass in our parish hall. Door prizes, buffet dinner, live entertainment and more!! Tickets are \$35.00 for

adults and \$15.00 for children under 12 years of age. Please call the parish office (416-439-1545) to purchase tickets.

Difficulties strengthen the mind as labour does the body.

