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Pentecost Sunday

Today we celebrate the mystery of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Mary and the Apostles. The Holy Spirit was sent by Jesus just as He had promised at the Last Supper. Now the Holy Spirit keeps Jesus' disciples bonded as one body and, at the same time, sends them to announce the Good News throughout the world. This dynamic Spirit inspires various gifts and ministries for the edification of the Christian family. The Holy Spirit itself is a great gift that came upon the early Church on the day of Pentecost.

The Bible says that the Spirit of God came in tongues of fire and reposed on those who were locked inside the house. After this event, a great transformation happened in their lives. The once frightened disciples are now courageous witnesses of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. They were able to proclaim this message in different languages so that each person could understand God's Word. As soon as the apostles became empowered with the strength of the Holy Spirit they opened their doors and went out to proclaim that Jesus is alive.

Pentecost is the Solemnity that concludes the Easter Season. Next Sunday, the Church will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity and then continue with Ordinary Time until the Feast of Christ the King. This way the liturgy reminds us that God is always with us through the power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit we have received at our Baptism never ceases to act in our daily lives. *Fr. Willyans SCJ*

May 19 - 26, 2018			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Harmond L. De Juan, requested by the family	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family	
	10:00 a.m.	+Anne Albuquerque, requested by the family	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community	
	8:00 p.m.	+Maximo & Eden Rabino, requested by the family	
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Mary & Michael M ^c Pherson, requested by the family	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Arleen Correia	
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Mr. Arulanandam & Mrs. Lourdu Mary	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, John Bedford-James	
	7:00 p.m.	+Pasquale Palumbo, requested by the family	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving to St. Joseph, requested by Marie Fernando	
	7:00 p.m.	+Gracie F. D'Cruz, requested by the family +Edita Carta, requested by a friend +Marcelina Capucao, requested by the Ramos family +João Couto Rapozo, requested by A. & S. King	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving to St. Padro Pio, requested b Phyllis Cogliano	
	7:00 p.m.	+Kelvin Marhue, requested by the family	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+David Francis, requested by the family	

Confirmation

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Please pray for our children who will be confirmed this coming Sat., May 26 at 2:00 p.m.

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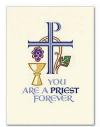
Administered by St. Elizabeth Health Care, the Shared Services Initiative is supporting

other ShareLife-funded agencies in the areas of human resources, financial services and information technology. Participating agencies report they are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work. Through this initiative, ShareLife-funded agencies are ensuring the maximum amount received is directed to the front-line service they provide.

To-date we have collected \$41,352.41 for ShareLife. Thank you for your generosity!

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Ordination for Archdiocese of Toronto



On Saturday, May 12th, Cardinal Collins, ordained two men to the priesthood, Rev. Alexander MacDonald and Rev. Raymond So. Both left their previous endeavours to pursue the priesthood.

Please pray for these men as they commit themselves to a life of prayer, ministry and service.

Is God Calling You?



The confused and fear-filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and

dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others especially by the inspirations of the Holy Spirit. If you feel God may be calling you to this ministry, call Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Bundle Up for St. Vincent de Paul

May 26 / 27 weekend



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing, footwear, bedding, toys, drapery and towels to be given to those in need. The Society

is <u>not</u> able to accept books, furniture, construction materials, video cassettes and crockery. Please bring your donation to the Society's truck next weekend, May 26 / 27. Thank you for your continued support!

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: James Dizon, Stefanie Alberto, Lee Cummings, Christopher

Sivaratnam, Basil Benedict, Catalino Bicos, Minerva Manalo, Yvonne Rampersad, Phyllis Cogliano, Steve Goller, Esteban Badian, Lisa Andrade, Paul Dante Rodriguez, Leny Obcena, Daphne Chater, Albert Vella, Sierra Schaefer, and Innes Potgieter. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



Sundays at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Parents are encouraged to bring their children to the Children's Liturgy of the

Word program which is held during the 10:00 a.m. Mass every Sunday. The readings of the Mass are explained to the children at their level of understanding.

Day of Reflection for Catholic Parents of Lesbian Daughters and Gay Sons

Saturday, June 2, 2018

Manresa Renewal Centre (2325 Liverpool Road) is conducting a Day of Reflection on Sat., Jun. 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for Catholic parents of lesbian daughters and gay sons. For more information, please call John Montague at 416-523-6449.

