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Monday to Friday: 8:00 am Friday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 7:00 pm

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Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm Sunday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm

15 minutes before each Sunday Mass

Friday: 6-6:45 pm by appointment with a priest

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2nd & 4th Saturday at 10:00 am Baptismal Class: 2nd Sunday at 2:00 pm

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Contact the priest one year in advance

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Brothers and Sisters!

Welcome to the twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Whenever I wear a red chasuble for Mass I think about thousands of people all over the world who are persecuted because of our faith. I think about hundreds of people who are martyrs of the XXI century only because they are Christians.

These days my mind goes often to Iraq and the persecutions that many people are facing there because they are followers of Jesus. I want to encourage you to pray for the end of the conflict in the Middle East.

I wish you a wonderful week!

In Christ, Fr. Pawel

Dear Brothers and Sisters, This Sunday's Gospel passage begins by indicating the district to which Jesus was going: Tyre and Sidon, to the north-west of Galilee, a pagan land. And it was here that He met a Canaanite woman who spoke to Him, asking Him to heal her daughter who was possessed by a demon (cf. Mt 15:22). In her supplication we can already discern the beginning of a journey of faith, which in her conversation with the divine Teacher grows and becomes stronger.

The woman was not afraid to cry to Jesus "Have mercy on me", an expression that recurs in the Psalms (cf. 50:1), she calls Him "Lord" and "Son of David" (cf. Mt 15:22), thus showing a firm hope of being heard. What was the Lord's attitude to this cry of anguish from a pagan woman? Jesus' silence may seem disconcerting, to the point that it prompted the disciples to intervene, but it was not a question of insensitivity to this woman's sorrow. St Augustine rightly commented: "Christ showed Himself indifferent to her, not in order to refuse her His mercy but rather to inflame her desire for it" (Sermo 77, 1: PL 38, 483). The apparent aloofness of Jesus who said: "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (v. 24), did not discourage the Canaanite woman who persisted: "Lord, help me" (v. 25). And she did not even desist when she

received an answer that would seem to have extinguished any hope: "it is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs" (v. 26). She had no wish to take anything from anyone; in her simplicity and humility a little was enough for her, crumbs sufficed, no more than a look, a kind word from the Son of God. And Jesus was struck with admiration for an answer of such great faith and said to her: "Be it done for you as you desire" (v. 28).

Dear friends, we too are called to grow in faith, to open ourselves in order to welcome God's gift freely, to have trust and also to cry to Jesus "give us faith, help us to find the way!". This is the way that Jesus made His disciples take, as well as the Canaanite woman and men and women of every epoch and nation and each one of us.

Faith opens us to knowing and welcoming the real identity of Jesus, His newness and oneness, His word, as a source of life, in order to live a personal relationship with Him. Knowledge of the faith grows, it grows with the desire to find the way and in the end it is a gift of God who does not reveal Himself to us as an abstract thing without a face or a name, because faith responds to a Person who wants to enter into a relationship of deep love with us and to involve our whole life.

For this reason our heart must undergo the experience of conversion every day, every day it must see us changing from people withdrawn into themselves to people who are open to God's action, spiritual people (cf. 1 Cor 2:13-14), who let themselves be called into question by the Lord's word and open their life to his Love.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us therefore nourish our faith every day with deep attention to the word of God, with the celebration of the Sacraments, with personal prayer as a "cry" to Him, and with charity to our neighbour.

Let us invoke the intercession of the Virgin Mary, ... so that she may help us proclaim and witness with our lives to the joy of having encountered the Lord. *Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, 14 August 2011*

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS THIS WEEK BURN:

In Honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Sal Romanin

DO YOU WISH TO BECOME CATHOLIC OR KNOW SOMEONE ELSE WHO DOES? Adults interested in becoming Catholics, needing the Sacrament of Confirmation or seeking to deepen their faith are invited to call the Parish office for information about the **RCIA** (Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults). The program will begin in September. Call the office to register.

TWO HEARTS ROSARY PRAYER GROUP invites everyone to pray the 4 mysteries of the Rosary on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Church.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wednesday, August 20th, St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor. St. Bernard was born in France in the year 1090. In 1111, he entered the Cistercian Order and was eventually elected abbot of Clairvaux. As an exemplary monk and abbot, his influence extended throughout Europe through his spiritual and theological writings as well as his travels. He died in 1153.

Thursday, August 21st, **St. Pius X, Pope.** St. Pius was born in 1835 in Riese, Italy. He was ordained a priest and served his flock with great zeal. He became Bishop of Mantua, then Cardinal Patriarch of Venice and in 1903, was elected Pope. His pontificate was a time of great renewal in the Church. He is known as the Pope of the Eucharist. He died on Aug. 20, 1914.

Friday, August 22nd, Queenship of Mary. We honour our Lady gloriously assumed into heaven where she awaits the glorification of all the children of the Church. She reigns, Queen of the Angels and Saints.

REMINDER: FRIDAY ADORATION & EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT during the months of July & August are at 6:00 p.m.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD for children 3-7 yrs old. A **Montessori approach** to learning about our faith. If interested, please call Anita at 905-508-9275.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS are needed. If you like to work with children and can commit to two hours every Sunday, then this rewarding ministry is for you. Please contact Elizabeth Follows at either followselizabeth@gmail.com or 905-237-6272.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION for children Grades 1 through 7 that are in the public and private school systems only – will happen on Sunday, September 7th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall. For further information, please contact Elizabeth at either followselizabeth@gmail.com or 905-237-6272.

SANTO NINO FESTIVAL on Sat., Aug. 23 at Marylake Shrine. Procession starts at 10 a.m. followed by Mass. Confessions starts at 9 a.m. Benediction at 5 p.m. Celebrant: Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick. For info, call Marylake at 905-833-5368 / Zeny at 416-292-4354.

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POPE FRANCIS' APOSTOLIC JOURNEY TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA Pope Francis is currently visiting Korea for the first time to attend the 6th Asian Youth Day. It has been 20 years since a pope last visited Korean soil. Watch Salt + Light TV for ongoing coverage. Pope Francis in Korea, Sunday, August 17th at 7 p.m. Closing Mass of Asian Youth Day Sunday, August 17th at 12:30 p.m. & 8 p.m.

AUGUSTINIANS AT MARYLAKE (13760 Keele St., King City) invite you to a picnic celebration in honour of the 50th Anniversary of the Shrine of our Lady of Grace on Sunday, August 24th. Ourdoor Mass at 11 a.m. Procession, Special Blessing and unveiling at 12 noon. Bring your chairs, tables, sunscreen and picnic lunches, Everybody gets a free hotdog and a bottle of water. Rain or shine. For info, please visit www.augustinians.ca or call 905-833-5368.

2014 TASTE FESTIVAL at Holy Family Church, Whitby, on Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. \$5 per person. Have a taste of delicious food from around the world. Vendors welcome! Info: 905-426-0851 or holyfamily.lmaureen@rogers.com.

BRANCHES CATHOLIC MINISTRIES will be hosting a fall conference on Sept. 27-28, at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls. Regenerate(d) 2014 will feature dynamic talks from renowned Catholic speakers musical performances by Marian Grace and the Glory Collective. The conference will begin with an address by Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines and this year's main celebrant and homilist. Registration forms are at the back of the flyers at the entrances of the Church.

48th ANNUAL CELEBRATION in HONOUR OF ST. GABRIEL (under the direction of the Passionist Community) on Sunday August 24th from 2 p.m. onwards at Immaculate Conception, Woodbridge. For info, please call 905-856-2205.

TEOPOLI SUMMER EXPERIENCE (with Fr. Claudio Piccinini) for children 6-17 on Aug. 14-23. For info, please call Società Unita (The United Society) at 416-243-7319 or visit our website www.teopoli.com. Please pass this on to people who may be interested!

THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE? Is your marriage or someone you know heading for divorce? Retrouvaille, a Catholic based programme, is a program highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the live-in weekend and Post sessions, call 416-281-6007 or visit the web site at www.torontoretrouvaille.com

MASS INTENTIONS		Aug. 17-23
SUN.	9:30 a.m.	+Antonio Tripodi
		+Giuseppe Iacobelli
		+Egidio Baldassarra
		intentions of the Tanel Family
		+Gino D'Antonio
		+Elvira D'Antonio
		+Vincenzo Iafrate & deceased
		family members
MON.	9:00 a.m.	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
TUE.	8:00 a.m.	Int. of Charlene Marian Yu
WED.	8:00 a.m.	Int. of Jennifer Yu
THURS.	8:00 a.m.	+Chi Sing Chan
FRI.	8:00 a.m.	Int. of Charlene Marian Yu
	7:00 p.m.	+Mary J, Paxton
		& deceased fam. members

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK: Ursula Addesi, Doris Anderson, Eugene Bomba, Matteo Burbano, Patrick Burke, Rory Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David

8:30 a.m. Int. of Charlene Marian Yu

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