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Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

11:00 am 12:30 pm 4:30 pm

Lauds: Monday to Friday: 7:30 am

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am Friday: 7:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 am

Wednesday Italian Mass: 7:00 pm

Confession:

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

15 minutes before each Sunday Mass. Weekdays: Appointment with the priest

Baptism:

2nd, 3rd, & 4th Saturday at 10:00 am

Marriage:

Contact the priest one year in advance

Jesus freely embraced the Father's redeeming love. By embracing in His human heart the Father's love for men, Jesus "loved them to the end", for "greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." In suffering and death His humanity became the free and perfect instrument of His divine love which desires the salvation of men. Indeed, out of love for His Father and for men, whom the Father wants to save, Jesus freely accepted His Passion and death: "No one takes [my life] from Me, but I lay it down of My own accord." Hence the sovereign freedom of God's Son as He went out to His death.

Jesus substitutes his obedience for our disobedience. "For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous." By His obedience unto death, Jesus accomplished the substitution of the suffering Servant, who "makes Himself an *offering for sin*", when "He bore the sin of many", and who "shall make many to be accounted righteous", for "He shall bear their iniquities". Jesus atoned for our faults and made satisfaction for our sins to the Father.

Jesus consummates his sacrifice on the cross. It is love "to the end" that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction. He knew and loved us all when He offered His life. Now "the love of Christ controls us, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died." No man, not even the holiest, was ever able to take on himself the sins of all men and offer himself as a sacrifice for all. The existence in Christ of the divine person of the Son, who at once surpasses and embraces all human persons, and constitutes Himself as the Head of all mankind, makes possible His redemptive sacrifice for all.

The Council of Trent emphasizes the unique character of Christ's sacrifice as "the source of eternal salvation" and teaches that "His most holy Passion on the wood of the cross merited justification for us." And the Church venerates His cross as she sings: "Hail, O Cross, our only hope."

Our participation in Christ's sacrifice. The cross is the unique sacrifice of Christ, the "one mediator between God and men". But because in His incarnate divine person He has in some way united Himself to every man, "the possibility of being made partners, in a way known to God, in the paschal mystery" is offered to all men. He calls His disciples to "take up [their] cross and follow [Him]", for "Christ also suffered for [us], leaving [us] an example so that [we] should follow in His steps." In fact Jesus desires to associate with His redeeming sacrifice those who were to be its first beneficiaries. This is achieved supremely in the case of His mother, who was associated more intimately than

any other person in the mystery of His redemptive suffering.

Apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven. Catechism of the Catholic Church 609, 615-618.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Monday, August 29th, Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist. We commemorate the death of the Lord's precursor, a martyr to the truth of the moral law.

Friday, September 2nd, First Friday of the Month We honour the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. *The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration from 6:00 p.m. until just before the 7:00 p.m. Mass.*

Saturday, September 3rd, St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor. St. Gregory was born in Rome in the year 540. He renounced a career in public office and became a monk. In the year 590, he was elected Pope and proved to be a brilliant teacher and shepherd. He wrote extensively on moral & theological subjects.

First Saturday of the Month. We honour the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION There will be a second collection taken up today after Holy Communion in support of the missions of Congregation of the Most Precious Blood. This community of priests and brothers is dedicated to the apostolate of evangelization and preaching. They are active in Tanzania, Africa in a variety of medical and pastoral projects.

LITURGICAL LATIN is an Introductory Course for those interested in learning the ritual language of the Roman Catholic Church and who desire participate in the liturgy of the Roman Rite in a manner that is active and fruitful. This course will focus on the conventions of liturgical Latin and facilitate the correct pronunciation of the words and their meaning so that the beauty and depth of the Latin liturgy may be more fully appreciated. The course consists of two terms, each lasting 12 weeks. Classes will be taught at St. Mary Immaculate Parish, on Wednesdays, beginning on September 14th. Two class times are available; afternoon or evening. For more info, cost and registration form, please address your inquiries to liturgical.latin@live.ca or call 905-884-1784.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Oktoberfest Dinner & Dance on Oct. 1st in the Parish Hall. Tickets: \$35/person. For info or tickets, please call Ross 416-746-5944 or 905-883-5458, Roland 905-780-8354, Joe 905-508-0256. Deacon Wayne 905-888-5338, Peter 905-773-9910, or Tony 905-770-8280. Christmas Dinner & Dance on Dec. 2nd. Details to follow.

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.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION will be on Sunday, September 25th in the Church hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. First Class is on October 16th at 9:00 a.m. Children currently attending public or private schools who will be receiving First Holy Communion in the spring must attend these sessions. **Volunteers are also needed.** If you can help, please call 905-237-6272 or email erfollows@rogers.com.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD is a Montessori approach to learning and experiencing our faith for children ages 3-8. Sessions begin in mid-October. If you think your child will benefit from a **"hands-on"** approach to learning our faith, this program may be of interest to you. For information or to register, please call Anita at 905-508-9275.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning Sept. 16th. The advertisements make our bulletin possible. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Please call 1-800-268-2637.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART

by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

I, (your name), give myself and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ my person and my life, my actions, pains, and sufferings, so that I may be unwilling to make use of any part of my being save to honor, love, and glorify the Sacred Heart. This is my unchanging purpose, namely, to be all His, and to do all things for the love of Him, at the same time renouncing with all my heart whatever is displeasing to Him.

I therefore take You, O Sacred Heart, to be the only object of my love, the guardian of my life, my assurance of salvation, the remedy of my weakness and inconstancy, the atonement for all the faults of my life and my sure refuge at the hour of death. Be then, O Heart of goodness, my justification before God, Your Father, and turn away from me the strokes of His righteous anger. O Heart of love, I put all my confidence in You, for I fear everything from my own wickedness and frailty; but I hope for all things from Your goodness and bounty.

Do consume in me all that can displease You or resist Your holy will. Let Your pure love imprint so deeply upon my heart that I shall nevermore be able to forget You or to be separated from You. May I obtain from all Your loving kindness the grace of having my name written in You, for in You I desire to place all my happiness and all my glory, living and dying in true bondage to You. Amen.

28 agosto 2011 - 22^a del tempo ordinario

"Non voglio che voi piacciate agli uomini, ma che piacciate a Dio, come anche gli piacete. Né io avrò mai più tale occasione di conseguire Dio, né voi, se tacerete, potrete sottoscrivere a un'opera migliore. Se infatti tacerete riguardo a me (non cercando di liberarmi ndr) io sarò di Dio; ma se amate la mia carne, dovrò di nuovo correre. Non procuratemi di più che di essere offerto in libagione a Dio, mentre ancora l'altare è pronto, affinché, divenuti coro nell'amore, cantiate al Padre in Cristo Gesù, perché Dio ha reputato il vescovo di Siria degno di ricevere il suo sguardo, mandandolo dall'Oriente all'Occidente. È bello tramontare dal mondo in Dio, perché io sorga in lui. (...) Solo forza, interiormente ed esternamente, chiedete per me, affinché non solo dica, ma anche voglia, non solo sia detto cristiano, ma anche lo sia trovato (Ignazio di Antiochia, Lettera ai Romani 2-3, scritta mentre Ignazio era condotto al martirio)."

"Chi vuol salvare la propria vita la perderà; ma chi perderà la propria vita per causa mia la troverà (Mt 16,25). Volendo salvarla si perderà, perdendola si troverà. Che vuol dire questo se non che c'è un modo di salvare la propria vita secondo questo mondo, ma che altra è la salvezza della vita secondo Dio? Perciò nel momento critico della prova che fu riservata ai martiri – così che si dava loro facoltà di scelta fra due proposte: rinnegare Cristo o attirarsi la morte - senza dubbio quanti vollero salvare la propria vita secondo il mondo rinnegarono Cristo e la perdettero: invece, quelli che secondo il mondo perdettero la propria vita, resero testimonianza a Cristo e la ritrovarono. Del resto, a chi con maggiore sicurezza si può affidare la propria vita, se non a colui che l'ha creata? Chi altri può conservare ciò che era, se non colui che ha avuto il potere di dare l'esistenza a ciò che non era? (Agostino, Discorsi 306 C.1)."

AVVISI

- 1. Pellegrinaggio a cinque nazioni, dal 5 al 22 settembre; chiamate Ezia (905-884-3896). Pellegrinaggio ai Santi Medici, dal 24 al 25 settembre; chiamate Ezia (905-884-3896) o Antonietta (905-737-3210).
- 2. Giovedì, 8 settembre, alle 8pm, il coro riprende le sue prove. Chiunque fosse interessato ad unirsi a questa gioiosa compagnia è invitato a presentarsi alle prove.
- 3. Villaggio della Speranza per bambini afflitti da AIDS in Tanzania. Il 6 novembre si terrà, come l'anno scorso, un piacevolissimo evento presso la Royalton Banquet Hall per generare fondi in aiuto di questi sventurati bambini. Per biglietti chiamate Antonietta (905-737-3210).

MASS INTENTIONS Aug. 28-Sept. 3		
SUN.	9:30 a.m.	+Benedetto Baccilieri
		+Deceased members of the
		Morra Family
		+Lino Ferro
		+Sergio Totolo
		Deceased Members of the
		Toffolon Family
		+le anime del purgatorio
		Intentions of our Holy Father
MON.	8:00 a.m.	+Maria Ferreira
TUE.	8:00 a.m.	+Grm Family
WED.	8:00 a.m.	+Joseph Mazzotta
	7:00 p.m.	In honour of St. Joseph
		+Candelora Marsella
		+vincenzo laboni
		Salvation of mankind
		le anime del purgatorio
		Intentions of our Holy Father
THURS.	8:00 a.m.	Special Int. (Mary Matthew)
FRI.	8:00 a.m.	Spec. Int. (Sunny Thomas)
	7:00 p.m.	In reparation to the Sacred
	•	Heart of Jesus
		+Members of the Naughton
		Family
		+Winston & Norah Whitehead
		+Herbert, Catherine & Patrick
		Paxton
		+Jacqueline Gagne
		+Holy Souls in Purgatory
		Intentions of our Holy Father
SAT.	9:00 a.m.	In reparation to the
		Immaculate Heart of Mary
		Members of the Paxton Family
		Members of the Madden & Winton Families
		+Leslaw Kostrzewa
		+Luigi Cappuccitti Spec. Int. (Maria Agatha Tse)
		Spec. Int. (Mary Grace
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PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK Ursula Addesi, Eugene Bomba, Winifred Burke, Stephanie

+Holy Souls in Purgatory Intentions of our Holy Father Intentions of SMI priests

Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, David Canivet, Enrico Carusi, Esmy, Peter Christoff, Manuela Clement, Caterine

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Catherine.

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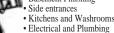
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