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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm **Wednesday**

8:30 am - 8:00 pm

Closed daily 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch

MASS TIMES

Lauds: Monday to Friday 7:30 am
Monday - Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 pm
Saturday 8:30 am

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

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

CONFESSION TIMES

Friday 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

or by appointment with a Priest

ADORATION & EXPOSITION

Friday 1:00 pm - 6:45 pm

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday at 6:45 pm

Perpetual Help - After morning Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM

1st Sunday during 12:30 pm Mass

3rd Sunday at 2:00 pm

Baptismal Class: 1st Thursday at 7:00pm

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.



PASTOR'S DESK Dear Brothers and Sisters!

I want to wish all the married couples of the Parish many blessings from the Lord. My prayers are with the couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony in our Parish. May the Lord strengthen your commitment and fill you will His blessings.

This Wednesday we begin the Holy Season of Lent. During this time we are called to Pray, Fast and do acts of charities -Almsgiving. I hope that you have an exact plan how you will spend this time of grace.

Next weekend we will have an insert in the bulletin of our Lenten Schedule so you are aware of what's going on in our Parish. We want to assist you in meeting the Lord during the journey towards Easter Sunday. I hope you will be a part of it.

want to thank you for your ongoing support and your generosity to the Building & Maintenance Fund. Last weekend, we collected \$8,327.00. Mille (grazie.

May our Lord continue to Bless You and Your Families. Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pawel

February 12-18: The Sanctuary Lamps Burn For: **FIORELLO MANIAS**

Wednesday, February 14th - Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat for all from 14 years and up, and a strict fast (one fulfilling meal and two smaller meals) obliges those from 18-60 years. The Church encourages the practice of fasting even for those who are not required to do so.

Lenten Alms will be collected on Ash Wednesday at the Masses.

• 6:30 am Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes for those on the way to work

• 8:00 am Mass

Mass in Italian 12:10 pm

• 7:00 pm Mass

Wednesday, February 14th - Bible Study - Matthew: The King and His Kingdom:

• 1:30 - 3:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Friday, February 16th and Lenten Fridays

• 8:00 am

• 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross - Italian

1:30 pm Adoration/Exposition

• 5:30 pm Lenten soup in the hall

6:00 pm Confessions

6:25 pm Benediction

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross - English

• 7:00 pm Mass

Lenten soup Fridays will begin February 16th from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the parish hall. This initiative is to enable our parishioners to grab a guick bite before attending the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm. Free will donations accepted which will go to St. Vincent de Paul of our Parish to support those in need in our community.

Sunday, February 18th - Youth Group

• 3:00-4:30 pm in the Parish Hall

Saturday, February 24th – CWL Annual Lenten Recollection 8:30 am Mass

Following Mass, Retreat with Reverend Michael Knox, S.J., Director of Martyrs' Shrine, Midland in the Parish Hall

LITTLE BLACK LENTEN BOOKS & LENTEN BRACELETS are available for purchase in the Church foyer and in the Parish office. The Little Black Book contains six minute reflections on the Passion according to Mark. Readings begin Sunday, February 11, which gives us three days before Ash Wednesday to prepare for Lent. The Lenten bracelet serves as a reminder of Christ's temptation, ultimate mission, and sacrifice to meet our need for forgiveness. Bracelet displays the crown of thorns and reads: "Take up your cross and come, follow Me". Includes a card with the Saint Francis Prayer Before the Crucifix. **THANK YOU** to Sal Crimi of St. Vincent de Paul, Boots and the ladies for organizing another successful Coffee & Donuts Sunday last weekend.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to assist with the slide projector at the weekend 8:00am, 12:30pm and 4:30pm Masses. This is a great opportunity for students in need of community service hours. Training will be provided. If interested, contact or email the parish office at office@smirh.com.

PARISH OFFICE is looking for part-time help a few days per week. Great opportunity for university students. If interested, contact or email the parish office at office@smirh.com.

TWO HEARTS ROSARY PRAYER GROUP: Pray the 4 rosary mysteries on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in the Church. Everyone welcome to join. Prayer petition accepted.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH CARDINAL COLLINS -

February 11, 2018 - 3 p.m. As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11 at Blessed Trinity Parish (3220 Bayview Ave - North York). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

COINS FOR LIFE 2018 Would you, your family and friends put aside your toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during the next 8 weeks, and contribute these savings to help in the struggle to end abortion and to create a Culture of Life in Canada? If so, the coins for life boxes will be available this weekend, February 10/11, at all the entrances to the Church. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 10, 2018. Be sure that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. God's preborn children in the womb have no voice but ours. You may even wish to make this a family, school, office project? Spread the good news of the sanctity of every life from conception to natural death which God created as no one has the right to destroy that life. In our present-day culture of death society we all have a role to play to reverse the tide even with this 'little project' for life. Boxes are to be returned to the Parish office after the 8 weeks, April 1st, and no later than April 8th. If you wish, leave your name/address/email/cell so CLC can thank you personally for your kindness. For more information call Jenny or Jeff at CLC, 416 204 9749. Volunteers are always needed! CWL ANNUAL BAKE SALE FEBRUARY 10/11 in the Church foyer after all Masses. Proceeds support CWL Outreach Ministries.

CWL GENERAL MEETING will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 beginning with Holy Rosary at 7:00 pm. Members are encouraged to attend, and we welcome all ladies interested in learning more about CWL Membership.

CWL RELIGIOUS STORE will be open after all Masses February 17 & **18** in the Church foyer.

FREE MOVIE NIGHT: Join the Knights of Columbus for the free viewing of "For Greater Glory" (The true story of Cristiada), after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on February 17th in the Church Hall. The film depicts the martyrdom of the country's Catholic faithful when the newly elected President waged war against them. Free coffee, tea and cookies will be served. Bring your family and friends.

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

YOUTH GROUP will meet next Sunday, February 18th at 3:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All youth of the parish are invited.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: St. Mary Immaculate Parish offers the Marriage Preparation Course. A 7 week course of practical talk on topics related to marriage. At the end of the course, couples will receive a certificate which is a mandatory requirement of the Archdiocese for couples wishing to marry in the Catholic Church. Next session begins February 21st. If you are planning to marry in the near future and would like to register, contact the Parish office.

ANNUAL LENTEN RECOLLECTION with Reverend Michael Knox, S.J., Director of Martyrs' Shrine, Midland will be held **Saturday, February 24** following the 8:30am Mass. Tickets are available in the Office during weekday hours for \$5 each, and include refreshments of bagel, fruit and beverage.

BAND OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS MEN'S CONFERENCE On February 24th join Hector Molina and Bishop of St. Catharines Gerard Bergie along with hundreds of men for Serviam Ministries' 3rd annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Manly Virtue". It is a one day intensive men's retreat consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets: https://www.serviamministries.com/events/virtue/, info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.

TRAVELLING CHALICE With strong support from Father Pawel and his pastoral team, Serra Club of Toronto Central, is offering the Travelling Chalice program at St. Mary Immaculate. This program enables individual parishioners or families to take home for a one week period a dedicated Chalice to pray for vocations. To register your name, contact Jack Landolt at 905-889-1993 or add your name to the list at the back of the Church.

SERRA INTERNATIONAL, a lay organization recognized by the Vatican as the global lay apostolate for vocations in the Catholic Church, as its main purpose the fostering and affirming of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The **Serra Club of Toronto Central** meets monthly in Woodbridge at noon and is recruiting new members who recognize and are concerned about the need for more priestly vocations to deliver the sacraments. An information brochure is in the front entrance display rack. Visit our websites for more info

at <u>www.serrainternational.org</u> or <u>www.serracanada.com</u> or contact: Jack Landolt @ 905-889-1993.

PILGRIMAGE TO AUSTRIA. CZECH REP., POLAND. HUNGARY & MEDJUGORJE: Join Fr. Jimmy Joseph as spiritual leader on this pilgrimage to Central Europe and Medjugorje, September 30 – October 12, 2018. For more details, please pick up a brochure in the Parish office or call International Heritage Tours, 416-444-6666, 1-877-999-8868.

11 febbraio 2018 - 6a del tempo ordinario

Il carattere meraviglioso del miracolo può anche allontanare dal vero in esso contenuto. Per questo, in quella circostanza, Gesù proibì al lebbroso di divulgare la notizia della sua guarigione. Volle evangelizzare senza quel racconto del miracolo. La predicazione e la fede possono fare a meno dei miracoli (Agostino, *Discorsi*, 98,3)

Il peccato ci ha resi maledetti, segregati, impuri e portatori di morte come quel lebbroso e la legge ce lo dimostra e ce lo ricorda continuamente, ma oggi la Parola ci invita ad andare con quel lebbroso davanti a Gesù, inginocchiarci ai suoi piedi e supplicarlo. Ci interessa veramente essere mondati? Allora umiliamoci e supplichiamo Cristo che, se vuole (e lo vuole!), può guarirci dal momento che ci ha riscattati dalla maledizione della legge diventando lui stesso maledizione per noi, come sta scritto: Maledetto chi pende dal legno (Gal 3,13). Confessiamo pure con verità e chiarezza il nostro peccato: Cristo non ha paura di essere contagiato da noi poiché lui, che non aveva conosciuto peccato. Dio trattò da peccato in nostro favore, perché noi potessimo diventare per mezzo di lui giustizia di Dio (2 Cor 5,21). Come, mosso a compassione per il lebbroso, Gesù stese la mano, lo toccò e gli disse: Lo voglio, guarisci, così oggi, a quanti di noi lo pregano con umiltà, sincerità e insistenza, dice le stesse parole e opera lo stesso miracolo e aggiunge lo stesso comando: Va', presentati al sacerdote, e offri per la tua purificazione quello che Mosè ha ordinato, a testimonianza per loro.

Il lebbroso con il gesto e le parole, dimostra che cosa significa credere, cioè osare in umiltà (Q. Dehn).

Gesù si muove a compassione... Significa: "Sono disposto a prendere un po' della tua lebbra, a condividere la tua sorte, a vivere la tua emarginazione e la tua morte. Questo lo faccio perché penso che la sofferenza, vissuta nella condivisione, pesa di meno. Se siamo in due, non sei più solo" (Paul Devreux).

Se vuoi, puoi guarirmi. Non merito nulla, ho solo fame di pietà e di persone (Ermes Ronchi).

AVVISI

- 1. Adorazione del SS.mo Sacramento: ogni venerdì, tenete compagnia al Signore, 1-6.45p.m.
- 2. Pellegrinaggio in Austria, Repubblica Cecha, Polonia, Ungheria, Medjugorie con P. Jimmy, 30 settembre-12 ottobre 2018. Per informazioni, visitate l'ufficio parrocchiale.

INTENZIONI PER MESSE: La pratica di offrire Messe per i nostri cari in vita o per i nostri defunti e' parte della nostra vita e tradizione Cattolica. Se volete offrire delle Messe per amici e familiari vi preghiamo di venire all'ufficio parrocchiale durante le ore di apertura.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS:

Mary Petrunti, Tanya Di Persio

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please contact the parish office or email office@smirh.com. Names will be removed after the last Sunday of each month unless renewed with the office.

MASS INTENTIONS Feb 12 - 18		
Mon. Feb 12	8:00 am	+Catherine DiTommaso
Tues. Feb 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti
Wed. Feb 14	8:00 am	+Paciencia Inting
Thur. Feb 15	8:00 am	+Cynthia Angleson
Fri. Feb 16	8:00 am	+Norberto Gomes
	7:00 pm	+Members of the Naughton Family +Nancy Coleman +Yustina Kobelo
Sat. Feb 17	8:30 am	+Members of the Paxton Family
	5:00 pm	+Costantin Family
Sun. Feb 18	8:00 am	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	9:30 am	+Walter Gargaro +Filomena Trotta +Rosina & Angelo Corvinelli +Maria Berardo Zuccarinni +Italo DiGiulio
	11:00 am	+Tiberio Simoes
12:30 pm		+Shun King Ho
4:30 pm		+Tony Gismondi

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>: The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. To request a Mass for your friends and family please come by the Parish office during office hours.

<u>SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS</u> are also available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, come by the Parish office during office hours.



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