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Italian Prayer Group: Adele Cremonese & Rosa Marsella
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Italian Committee: Antonietta Miniaci

Sunday Masses:

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: 8:30 am

Confession:

Friday: 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 pm
or by appointment with a priest

Baptism:

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

Marriage:

Contact the priest one year in advance

Friday Exposition & Adoration: 1:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group: Every Wednesday 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Italian Prayer Group: Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm

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CHRIST IS PRESENT TO HIS CHURCH

Christ is always present to His Church, especially in the actions of the liturgy. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister (it is the same Christ who formerly offered Himself on the cross that now offers by the ministry of priests) and most of all under the eucharistic species. He is present in the sacraments by His power, in such a way that when someone baptizes, Christ Himself baptizes. He is present in His word, for it is He Himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church. Finally, He is present when the Church prays and sings, for He Himself promised: Where two or three are gathered in my name, I Am there in their midst.

Indeed, in this great work which gives perfect glory to God and brings holiness to men, Christ is always joining in partnership with Himself His beloved Bride, the Church, which calls upon its Lord & through Him gives worship to the eternal Father.

It is therefore right to see the liturgy as an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ, in which through signs addressed to the senses man's sanctification is signified and, in a way proper to each of these signs, made effective, and in which public worship is celebrated in its fullness by the mystical body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the head and by His members.

Accordingly, every liturgical celebration, as an activity of Christ the priest and of his body, which is the Church, is a sacred action of a pre-eminent kind. No other action of the Church equals its title to power or its degree of effectiveness.

In the liturgy on earth we are given a foretaste and share in the liturgy of heaven, celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem, the goal of our pilgrimage, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, as minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle. With the whole company of heaven we sing a hymn of praise to the Lord; as we reverence the memory of the saints, we hope to have some part with them, and to share in their fellowship; we wait for the Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, until He, who is our life, appears, and we appear with Him in glory.

By an apostolic tradition taking its origin from the very day of Christ's resurrection, the Church celebrates the paschal mystery every eighth day, the day that is rightly called the Lord's day. On Sunday the Christian faithful ought to gather together, so that by listening to the word of God and sharing in the Eucharist they may recall the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God who has given them a new birth with a lively hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The Lord's day is therefore the first and greatest festival, one to be set before the loving devotion of the faithful and impressed upon it, so that it may be also a day of joy and of freedom from

work. Other celebrations must not take precedence over it, unless they are truly of the greatest importance, since it is the foundation and the kernel of the whole liturgical year.

Taken From the constitution on the sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS THIS WEEK BURN FOR
Holy Souls in Purgatory

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Monday, Jan. 26th, Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops Saints Timothy and Titus were disciples and assistants of the apostle, Paul. Timothy had charge of the Church at Ephesus and Titus of the Church in Crete. The letters written to them are called pastoral epistles, for they contain excellent admonitions for the instruction of both pastors and laity.

Wednesday, January 28th, St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor. St. Thomas was born around the year 1225 into the family of the Count of Aquino. He studied at the Benedictine Abbey of Monte Cassino and at the University of Naples. He joined the Friars Preachers, also known as Dominicans and became a great teacher. He wrote extensively in the areas of philosophy and theology.

Saturday, Jan. 31st, St. John Bosco, Priest. St. John Bosco was born near Castelnuovo, Italy in 1815. He encountered many difficulties as he prepared for ordination to the holy priesthood. Once ordained, he dedicated himself to the education of the young, eventually founding two congregations dedicated to this apostolate. He died in 1888.

COME JOIN THE PILGRIMAGE TO AUSTRIA, CZECH REPUBLIC & POLAND with FR. OMAR!

May 24-June 2, 2015 for \$2390. Join us and visit St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna, the Benedictine monastery in Melk, see the renowned statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague, the birthplace of Pope St. John Paul II, the Shrine where St. Faustina had her visions of Our Lord, St. Faustina's tomb and relics, the place where St. Maximilian Kolbe died, and Poland's greatest shrine - Our Lady of Czestochowa also known as the "Black Madonna", To join or for more info, please call Stan at 647-463-9057 or Halina at 647-294-4116 or speak with Fr. Omar after Mass.

COME JOIN THE PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN & PORTUGAL with FR. PAWEL!

October 11-22, 2015 for \$2790. Join us and visit the Benedictine monastery in Montserrat and the Black Madonna of Montserrat, the Grotto and Basilica at Lourdes, Pyrenees, Madrid, Salamanca, Avila, Santiago de Compostella, the burial place of St. James, Braga, Fatima. To join or for more info, please call Stan at 647-463-9057 or Halina at 647-294-4116 or speak with Fr. Pawel after Mass.

JANUARY 25, 2015

MARK your CALENDAR

CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE & TEA – The Catholic Women's League invites all the Ladies of the Parish to its ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TEA to be held after the **Sunday, Jan. 25**, Masses except Saturday 5 p.m. and Sunday 4:30 p.m. Come learn more about the CWL mission, goals, objectives, spiritual, educational and social events, outreach ministry and more, and help discern if this Ministry is for you! All Ladies of the Parish and current CWL Members are highly encouraged to attend. Join us for tea, pastries and canapés. WE NEED YOU! WE WANT YOU!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2015 ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Come and join us in an ecumenical prayer service **January 25 - 4 p.m.** at the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge Street with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Evangelical Lutheran Bishop Michael Pryse, Slovak Catholic Bishop John Pazak, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church Rev. Dr. Harris Athanasiadis and other city-wide religious leaders. Homilist: The Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson (Professor of Homiletics, Emmanuel College and ordained Minister of the United Church of Canada). Parking is available. Refreshments to follow in church hall. For information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or ext. 527 or email ykwok@archtoronto.org.

COME & SEE WEEKEND RETREAT for men, 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary from Friday, **January 31 at 6:30 p.m. to Sunday, February 1 at 2:30 p.m.** This weekend offers a way for men discerning a possible call to priesthood to meet seminarians, hear a number of vocation testimonies and to receive first-hand experience of seminary life. For more information, please call us at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

YOUTH GROUP will begin **Sunday, Feb. 1st after the 4:30 p.m. Mass.** All the youth of the parish are encouraged to attend.

LEGION OF MARY meets on **Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** in the Meeting Room. We are looking for new members. Please call the office if you are interested.

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE CELEBRATION AT ST. PAUL'S BASILICA On **Sunday, February 1, at 3:00 p.m.** there will be a special Mass presided by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such an important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese. All are welcome.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY "The Happiness Factor" on **Saturday, March 7th from 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front St. W., Toronto. Be inspired, encouraged and healed! Come and celebrate the 23rd annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally featuring Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields, Peter Herbeck. Guest Speaker: Al Kresta. High Mass (with Sunday readings) celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. Simultaneous Youth Rally (13-18) right next door (John Basset Theatre)! For tickets, and info, please contact 416-251-4255, 905-270-2510 or LJHR@rogers.com or visit www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org.

VOCATION SEEDS If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris at vocations@archtoronto.org or 416-968-0997.

2015 CHURCH SUPPORT ENVELOPES are ready to be picked up in the Church hall. Envelopes are organized numerically. If your box is not there, or if you are new to the parish and wish to use envelopes, please write your name on the registration form next to the envelope boxes. **Please use current year's envelopes only to ensure your donations get credited to you. Parishioners using envelope numbers 1501 and above have been reassigned. Please check the chart for your new number. Thank you for your continued support.**

"OUR LADY'S DOWRY" PILGRIMAGE TO ENGLAND

Join us on a spiritual pilgrimage to Catholic sites in England, once known as Our Lady's Dowry, with our spiritual guide, **Father Neil J. Roy, S.T.L., Ph.D. on May 1 - 14, 2015 for \$4,090.** Each day pilgrims will attend Holy Mass according to the *usus antiquior* (Tridentine use), and participate in traditional spiritual exercises and daily devotions. Marian sites include Aylesford, Walsingham, and Glastonbury. Visit shrines of medieval saints like Simon Stock; Augustine, Anselm, and Thomas à Becket, Edward the Confessor. Walk in the footsteps of Catholic heroes and martyrs of the English Reformation: Catherine of Aragon; John Fisher, Thomas More, Edmund Campion. Witness the 19th century Catholic Revival led by Wiseman, Newman, Manning, Faber, and Pugin. Savour the deeply rich religious, cultural, and historical patrimony of "Mary's Dowry." For info, please call 1-800-565-3619; 905-412-2242, by email: maria@qstours.com. Or contact Pearl Tam at pearltam@rogers.com. Info / Registration session on **Saturday, February 7th 2-4 p.m.** in St. Mary Immaculate Church Parish Hall.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION has begun in all York Catholic schools. You can register your child at your local Catholic school. For information, please visit www.ycdsb.ca and click on the **Admissions** icon.

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MASS INTENTIONS		January 25-31
SAT.	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Giuseppe & Graziella Mazzobel +George Mejia
SUN.	9:30 a.m.	+Benedetto Bccilieri +Domenico e Pasqualina D'Agostini +Nazzareno Cristini +Antonietta Padalino
	11:00 a.m.	+Josefina Montano
	12:30 p.m.	+Angelina Gomes
	4:30 p.m.	Pro Populo
MON.	8:00 a.m.	+Saverino Giusti
TUE.	8:00 a.m.	+ Victor Mainella
WED.	8:00 a.m.	+Michael Bucci
THURS.	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Rosa Scarpino
FRI.	8:00 a.m.	+Anna Rubino-Virgilio
	7:00 p.m.	In Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus +Members of the Naughton Family +Angelo Marcella +Maria Perrina +Luciano Campisi +Mario & Oto Abbatangelo +Vince Giraudi
SAT.	8:30 a.m.	In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary +Justina Calvera +deceased members of the Forkan Family +Carmelle Harrison

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK: Ursula Addesi, Doris Anderson, Eugene Bomba, Matteo Burbano, Patrick Burke, Rory Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, Domenico Capacchione, Victoria Carli, Bruno Cassara, Andrea Cavallin, Joe Cinno, Carol Cook, Manuela Clement, Rosa Corvinelli, Caterina De Grano, Paolo D'Elia, Thomas De Souza, Harry Dekharmenjan, Tanya DiPersio, Maria DiZio, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Roberto Garcias, Margaret Gardiner, Milberg Gibbons, Jessica Gonzales, Godfrey Gosein, Gertiudes Henriques, Andy Heutehaus, Theresa Hogan, Lawrence Howe, Elena Iacobelli, Rogelia Infante, Maria Iudiciani, Jolanta Karabowicz, Margaret Kelly, Olivera Lambeta, Ester Lin, Mary Malandrino, Macaria Margate, Chris Markle, Veronica Martin, Rachelle (Joy Ann) Mendoza, George Morgan, Anthony Morse, Susan, Nino Naccarato, Lydia, Michelle Antoinette Nedvedskaya, Helen & Catherine, Luigi Nucci, Myola Nunes, Rosemary Palmieri, Lisa, Domenico Pileggi, Kaliopi & Eugenia Pandelopoulou, Esther Reyes, Todd, Patricia Rybka, Santaguida, Werner & Lucienne Schachatsiek, Claire Schickedanz, Vincenzo Sorbara, Pat Sullivan, Jannette Thompson, Linda Vincent, Therese Vincent, Nora Waldherr, Abigail Walz, Sandra Weinholdt, Kayla Whelan

"No word we say is neutral. Every word we say has an impact on the whole world. All of the words that do not increase the light, increase the darkness."

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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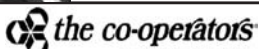
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