

St. Mary Immaculate Parish

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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:

1st Sunday during the 12:30 pm Mass
3rd Sunday at 2:00 pm
Baptismal Class: 1st Thursday at 7:00 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 1:30 pm

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Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Today we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. This is a Holy day and is sometimes called "the birthday of the Church". I want to share with you a prayer said by St. John Paul II on a daily basis.

Have a great weekend

Fr. Pawel



Holy Spirit, I ask of you the gift of **Wisdom** for a better understanding of you and your divine perfection.

I ask of you the gift of **Intellect** for a better understanding of the essence of the mysteries of the holy faith.

Give me the gift of **Knowledge** so that I may know how to orient my life in accordance with the principles of faith.

Give me the gift of **Counsel** so that in all things, I can seek counsel from you and can always find it in you.

Give me the gift of **Strength** so that no fear or earthly motivations can take me away from you.

Give me the gift of **Piet** so that I can always serve your majesty with filial love.

Give me the gift of the **Fear of God** so that no fear or earthly motivations can take me away from you.

SUMMER VACATIONS: Since our parish has so many families who spend considerable time away from home each summer, it is especially important that we all try hard to keep the financial contributions for the parish coming regularly during the months of June, July and August. Often times during the summer our parish's communal collections go down, but the parish obligations don't change. We still have bills to pay, salaries, electrical, maintenance, etc. Whatever you do and wherever you go, we hope that you have a great summer!

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Monday, June 5th - Memorial - St. Boniface, Bishop, Martyr.

ShareLife

PENTECOST SUNDAY (Third ShareLife Sunday)

June 4, 2017

Working wonders for those who need help in our neighbourhood...

"We still can't believe how lucky we are to have our baby boy! After trying to conceive for almost 4 years, we became pregnant with the assistance of FertilityCare Toronto. I had a history of endometriosis and as a result went through 4 surgeries from the age of 18 to the age of 31. After the last surgery, my

obstetrician said she didn't know why I wasn't getting pregnant and that we should just go for invitro fertilization instead. She basically washed her hands of us and our situation. Our friends had heard about ShareLife-supported FertilityCare Toronto and we figured it was worth a try. After only two effective cycles, we were pregnant! I was closely monitored through regular blood work the entire pregnancy and at 38 weeks and 3 days, I delivered our healthy and happy baby boy.

Words cannot express how grateful we are to FertilityCare Toronto staff for all their assistance," shares proud parents, Amy and Ted.

Today is ShareLife Sunday-June 4, 2017.

Thank you for your generosity.

175 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE:

The Archdiocese of Toronto is planning numerous historical and spiritual activities to commemorate the 175th anniversary. Visit their website at <https://www.archtoronto.org/175> for details on future events. One of the events is a site pilgrimage to the original 14 parishes of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Our parish, St. Mary Immaculate, is one of the original parishes. Pilgrimage site cards are available at the entrances to the church. Parishioners are welcome to visit each site and don't forget to have the card stamped at each parish you visit.



MARK your CALENDAR

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY - Sunday, June 18, 2017. Join us with Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick and Richmond Hill Councillors after the 11:00am Mass to celebrate the official opening of the front stairs and the completion of the exterior landscape. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall.

PARISH PICNIC - Sunday, June 25, 2017 at Richmond Green Park.

PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER will be held **Wednesday, June 28, 2017** in the Parish Hall.

CWL ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL POT LUCK DINNER will be held on **Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. All Parishioners are welcome to join us. Please feel free to bring your favourite dish. Everyone is invited to wear their national attire, in keeping with our international theme.

PAST RCIA "GRADUATES" have expressed a strong interest in meeting on a regular, perhaps monthly. Their desire is to continue the friendships that were formed and to nourish the commitments of this new faith. If you are a past RCIA member in our parish and wish to "come and see," please meet: **Thursday, June 8, 7:30 pm** in the Meeting Room (foot of South Staircase, outside Hall).

MADONNA DEI MIRACOLI – CASALBORDINO

LIMOSANO: The statue of Our Lady of Miracles will be on display during the Mass **on Friday, June 9th at 7:00 pm.**

ST. ANTHONY: You are invited to a bilingual Mass in celebration of St. Anthony's feast day on **June 13th at 7:00 pm** with the statue of St. Anthony on display and blessing of the bread. St. Anthony was also known as the Wonder-Worker, Doctor of the Church and the patron saint of lost items. After Mass, refreshments will be available in the Church Hall.

CWL GENERAL MEETING will be held on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017**, beginning with Holy Rosary at 6:30 pm and Holy Mass at 7:00 pm, the feast day of St. Anthony. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting before the summer break. We welcome the Ladies of the Parish contemplating on becoming a Member.

RELIGIOUS STORE & FR. PAWEL'S BOOK CLUB will be open after all Masses **June 17 & 18** in the Church foyer. Purchases for the months of July & August can be made through the Parish Office.

THE SMI 160 COMMITTEE is in the process of putting together a commemorative book to celebrate this event. We are looking for any pictures that you might have, and that you might have of any piece of the parish history and/or any of its events that took place over the years. If you do, could you please be so kind as to share them with us, by taking the pictures to the Parish office. The pictures will then be scanned, and the originals returned to you.

LANDSCAPING: Now that all the new sod has been laid, we ask that you **please keep off the grass** and walk on the pavement to reduce the wear and tear of the new landscape. We appreciate your co-operation.

ShareLife

DOMENICA DI PENTECOSTE (terza domenica di ShareLife)

4 giugno 2017

Vivere il Vangelo aiutando i bisognosi nella nostra zona...

In collaborazione con "St. Elizabeth HealthCare", ShareLife, attraverso Catholic Charities ha varato un programma di servizi condivisi che ha permesso di sostenere le agenzie operanti nel settore delle risorse umane (16 agenzie) e quello dei servizi finanziari (5 agenzie). Il programma è nel suo quarto anno d'attività e le agenzie partecipanti dichiarano che permette loro di migliorare la qualità, accuratezza e competenza del loro lavoro in questi settori. Alcuni dirigenti hanno parlato dell'impatto del programma sulle loro agenzie. **"Ha certamente migliorato le competenze della nostra agenzia," ha detto uno di loro. "Prima mi trovavo sommerso dalle problematiche pur cercando di fare del mio meglio. Ora con gli esperti a disposizione mi sento a mio agio."**

Oggi è una Domenica di ShareLife-4 giugno 2017
Grazie per la tua generosità.

Pentecoste - 4 giugno 2017

La sorgente dello Spirito, * scendendo sui figli della terra, * dividendosi in fiumi di fuoco, * ha spiritualmente irrorato i discepoli con la sua luce; * il fuoco è divenuto per loro nube rugiadosa, * fiamma che li illumina * e si effonde in pioggia:

* è così che noi riceviamo la grazia, * mediante il fuoco e l'acqua. * È giunta la luce del Paraclito * e il mondo ha illuminato Secondo il suo compiacimento, * spontaneamente, * discende dal Padre lo Spirito che a nulla è soggetto, * per rendere gli apostoli dotti nelle lingue, * confermando col suo sigillo * la parola vitale pronunciata dal Salvatore, * essendo egli pari al Padre in potenza e natura (*Liturgia bizantina*). "Ora è solo una parte del suo Spirito che noi riceviamo, per disporci in anticipo e prepararci all'incorruttibilità, abituandoci a poco a poco a comprendere e a portare Dio. È ciò che l'Apostolo chiama "caparra" - cioè una parte soltanto di quell'onore che ci è stato promesso da Dio (cfr Ef 1,13s) Se dunque questa caparra, dimorando in noi, ci rende spirituali, e se ciò che è mortale è assorbito dall'immortalità (cfr 2 Cor 5,4) - infatti, dice l'Apostolo, *quanto a voi non siete nella carne ma nello Spirito, se è vero che lo Spirito di Dio abita in voi* (Rm 8,9) - e se fin da ora, per aver ricevuto questa caparra noi gridiamo *Abba, Padre*, - che sarà quando, risuscitati, *lo vedremo faccia a faccia* (1 Cor 13,12)? Quando tutte le membra, a fiotti straripanti, faranno sgorgare un inno di esultanza, glorificando Colui che li ha risuscitati dai morti e li ha gratificati della vita eterna? Allora la grazia intera dello Spirito ci renderà simili a lui, e compirà la volontà del Padre, poiché farà l'uomo a immagine e somiglianza di Dio (cfr Gen 1,26) (Ireneo di Lione, *Contro le eresie*, V, 8,1)."

Ultima Pentecoste

Chi sei tu, dolce luce, che mi riempi e rischiera l'oscurità del mio cuore? Tu mi guidi come mano materna e se mi abbandonassi non saprei fare più nessun passo. Tu sei lo spazio che circonda il mio essere e lo racchiude in sé. Da te lasciato, cadrebbe nell'abisso del nulla, dal quale tu l'hai elevato alla Luce. Tu, più vicino a me di me stessa, e più intimo del mio intimo, e tuttavia inafferrabile ed incomprensibile che oltrepassi ogni nome: Spirito Santo, Amore eterno.

S. Teresa Benedetta della Croce (Edith Stein)



Did you know.....

That Fr. Lewis Griffa, one of the priests to serve St. Mary Immaculate, was born January 2nd, 1818 in Carignano, Sardinia, Italy. His early education was in St. Chiara, Italy. Little is known of the later education, but he studied in the seminary of Torino, Italy. He was ordained to the Diaconate on April 14th, 1833, and to the Priesthood on September 19th, 1840 at Turin, Italy. He had several different appointments in Italy, before leaving on July 22nd, 1843 for Madras, India. He stayed there for a period of 15 years, from 1843 - 1858, before leaving for Canada. His first appointment was to St. Luke's Parish in Thornhill, which he served from June 13th to March 21, 1860. During that time, he established the Thornhill Separate School. He spent a brief time in 1860 at St. Michaels Cathedral, St. Pauls'

Basilica, and St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Niagara-on-the-Lake, before going to the Archdiocese of London, in September of 1861. Again, he served in different Parishes before going to Albany, NY in April of 1865. He served in different Parishes, until he died on June 10th. 1891 in Chatham, NY.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS:

Fr. Tilley, Mila Aquino, Matteo Burbano, Patrick Burke, Rory Burke, Stephanie Byrne, Caitlyn, Victoria Carli, Bruno Cassara, Andrea Cavallin, Rose Chang, Manuela Clement, Rosa Corvinelli, Monica Cozzolino, Paolo D'Elia, Thomas De Souza, Harry Dekharmenjan, Nicholas Di Cearare, Donato Di Giorio, Tanya DiPersio, Maria DiZio, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Frank, ail Frey, Roberto Garcias, Margaret Gardiner, Marcus Gibbons, Jessica Gonzales, Godfrey Gosein, Gertiudes Henriques, Andy Heutehaus, Theresa Hogan, Lawrence Howe, Rogelia Infante, Maria Iudiciani, Jolanta Karabowicz, Margaret Kelly, Olivera Lambeta, Mary Malandrino, Jacob, Macaria Margate, Chris Markle, Noah, Veronica Martin, Susan McGee, Rita McKinnon-Peel, Rita McLennan, John McNamara, Maria Medeiros, Rachelle (Joy Ann) Mendoza, George Morgan, Susan, Bill Myers, Nino Naccarato, Lydia, Louise, Michelle Antoinette Nedvedskaya, Helen & Catherine, Myola Nunes, Rosemary Palmieri, Lisa, Kaliopi & Eugenia Pandelopoulou, Victoria Ramirez, Esther Reyes, Christine Ribbons, Patricia Rybka, Werner & Lucienne Schachatsiek, Claire Schickedanz, Vincenzo Sorbara, Bruno Sposato, Pat Sullivan, Jannette Thompson, Linda Vincent, Luigi Vittorio, Nora Waldherr, Abigail Walz, Sandra Weinholdt, Terence Whelan, Dante Racioppo, Michael Todkill, Judy Hayes, Rosa Maria Santos, Milberge Gibbons, Nino Naccarato, Rita Giraudi.

MASS INTENTIONS	June 3 - 10
Sat. June 3 - 5:00 pm	+Eleanor Teresa Ma
Sun. June 4 - 8:00 am	People of St. Mary Immaculate
9:30 am	+Domenico Barbutto +Benedetto Tari +Giuseppe Bucci
11:00 am	+Filomena & Michele Galle
12:30 pm	+Giovannina & Antonio Aloe
4:30 pm	+Elizabeth Galivan
Mon June 5 - 8:00 am	+Severino Bucci
Tue June 6 - 8:00 am	+Francesca Matrundola
Wed June 7 - 8:00 am	+ Edel Quinn
Thur June 8 - 8:00 am	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri. June 9 - 8:00 am	+Olga Utama
7:00 pm	+Members of the Paxton Family +Members of the Naughton Family +Leonardo Cornacchia +Madonna dei Miracoli +Felice Petrucci +Ercole DiMarcello
Sat. June 3 - 8:30 am	+Gurino Di Marcello

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