Living the Gospel



ShareLife Collection
Next Sunday, March 18

Your donation supports ShareLife's 42 agencies and grant recipients.

Please give generously.

SL ShareLife

sharelife.org | On sharelifecan | 1-800-263-2595



ST. MARY IMMACULATE PARISH EST. 1857

10295 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 3B9 • Tel: (905) 884-1784 • Fax: (905) 884-1883

☑ office@smirh.com

⊕ www.smirh.com

y @SMIRichmondHill







Beloved Brothers and Sisters!

Saturday, March 17th is the Memorial for St. Patrick, Bishop. We are so grateful for the gift of the Irish Catholics who had a tremendous impact on the Archdiocese of Toronto. St Patrick, a missionary who converted many of Ireland's inhabitants to Christianity in the 5th century.

I wish all Parishioners, especially those who are Irish, a
Happy St. Patrick's Day and don't forget to wear something "green".
Praying for you and your Families, have a good Lent.

Fr. Powel

S. ShareLife FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 11, 2018

Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife

How do we "Live the Gospel" toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help "Live the Gospel" through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign.

Next Sunday, March 18 is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14TH

We encourage you to come and reconcile with God. To acknowledge our sins, to repent of them, and to ask God's forgiveness, then grace can be restored to our souls. Confession times are 8:30 am – 9:30 am, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Come together to meditate the Passion of our Lord Jesus every Friday at 1:00 pm in Italian and 6:30 pm in English.

<u>YOUTH OF THE PARISH</u> are invited to participate with the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. If interested, contact the parish office or email at office@smirh.com.

<u>2017 TAX RECEIPTS</u> are available for pick up in the Church foyer. **<u>SACRISTANS</u>** needed for weekdays and weekend Masses. If interested, contact the Parish office or email <u>office@smirh.com</u>.

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.

THANK YOU to everyone involved for organizing another successful Coffee & Donuts Sunday last weekend.

MARK your CALENDAR

<u>March 24th, 2018</u> – Join fellow parishioners for free movie night featuring on a big screen <u>"The Passion of Christ"</u> by Mel Gibson 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

May 11th, 2018 - Fr. Pawel invites you to our annual Gala "Mother's Day Gala Dinner Dance" at La Primavera Banquet Hall. Tickets are available in the Parish office or contact Antonietta (905-737-3210) or Ross (905-883-5458).

FORMED is a multimedia platform created by the Augustine Institute that gives Catholics instant access to all kinds of Catholic content, including videos, movies and books. It is referred to as a Catholic "Netflix". SMI has renewed its subscription for all members of our Parish to enjoy for free. Log on to www.stmary.formed.org and use Parish code DWMDQ7. SIGN-UP SUNDAYS! Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community,

with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community. The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith-based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. The work builds on a similar campaign in 2017. You will find Sign-up forms in the pews and at all the entrances to the Church. Please pick one up and complete it. Return it to an usher or place it in the collection basket. You may also register yourself online at http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

NEW BEGINNINGS: Separated...Divorced?

If you are struggling... you don't have to do this alone. *New Beginnings* is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have endured a loss through separation, divorce and bereavement. This ministry offers a place of discovery, healing and renewed faith.

Peer Support Group

St. Mary Immaculate, Meeting Room, 10295 Yonge St. Richmond Hill, ON, L4C 3B9 Mondays 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

For more information, please contact: Alex Lopechuk 416-921-1163 x2230 or lopechuk@cfstoronto.com or Arcangelo Limanni 416-921-1163 x2225 or alimanni@cfstoronto.com.

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, PATRON OF CANADA A 9 day Novena to Saint Joseph, beginning March 10th, will be prayed together at the weekday Masses. Copies of the St. Joseph Novena prayer will be available at all the entrances to the Church. Masses on Monday, March 19th at 8:00 am, 12:10 pm in Italian and 7:00 pm in English.

<u>CWL GENERAL MEETING</u> will be held on **Tuesday, March 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.

MARIAN CONSECRATION: In preparation for the upcoming feast of Our Lady of Fatima, the Legion of Mary is inviting parishioners to an 8-session retreat for Consecration to Jesus through Mary according to St. Louis de Montfort. This retreat will be conducted by members of the Heralds of the Gospel, an international association of Christ's Faithful of Pontifical Right. Retreat dates are March 16, 23, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4 & 11, in the Parish Hall, 7:45 pm- 9:00 pm. Consecration Mass will take place Saturday May 12, 8:30 am. Please register with the Parish office or by email at lom.2018.consecration@gmail.com.

<u>CWL NORTH YORK REGION SPRING GENERAL MEETING</u> will be held on **Thursday, March 15** at St. Edward the Confessor Church in North York, beginning with Holy Mass at 7:00 pm. All members are welcome to attend.

RELIGIOUS STORE & FR. PAWEL'S BOOK CLUB will be open after all Masses **March 17 & 18** in the Church foyer. Fr. Pawel's recommended Lenten books and many new religious items including Communion and Confirmation gifts are available.

BUNDLE – UP COLLECTION WEEK-END The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes, linens and household goods to support our neighbours in need and our residential programs the weekend of March 17th and 18th. A Saint Vincent de Paul container will be in the church parking on those dates so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will distribute or sell these donated items to support our outreach efforts to the poor throughout the GTA. Please be aware, NO BABY OR REGULAR FURNITURE, NO MATTRESSES, NO BOOKS, NO DISHES AND NO ELECTRONICS will be accepted. The container will be open all day Saturday and all day Sunday. When placing your donation in the container please try to stack all items as far back as possible so that we can use all the container space. Thank you for your support.

SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT The Office of Vocations is preparing for this upcoming retreat taking place at St. Augustine's Seminary on **Saturday, March 17**. The retreat gives young men an opportunity to experience the seminary and engage with seminarians as

well as other active young Catholic men. The retreat will build the day around Mass, Adoration, recreation fellowship and conversation with opportunity for Confession. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. Deadline is Monday, March 12.

YOUTH GROUP: Will be meeting Sunday, March 18th at 3:00 pm in the Meeting Room. All youth of the parish are invited.

COME AND SEE WEEKEND – Friday, March 23 (begins at 6:30 p.m.) to Sunday, March 25 (ends at 1:30 p.m.), at St. Augustine's Seminary: Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact the Parish office or the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH: Calling all Girls. A special evening for Mothers and Daughters with short high powered talks, meet new people, learn the truth, talk about it, discover who you are, avoid mistakes, improve your relationships. Friday, March 23 from 7:00 pm-10:00 pm at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd. Mississauga. For more information or to register visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com. DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH: Catholic Women's Conference,

Saturday, March 24 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd. Mississauga. For more information or to register visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com.

COINS FOR LIFE 2018 Campaign Life Coalition thanks you for your generosity for God's preborn babies in the womb! Every coin makes a difference and helps CLC to run the annual National March for Life in Ottawa, May 10th. More than ever faced with such a strong "culture of death" movement in our country, we must defend life from conception to natural death. Keep us in your prayers and join us if you can. We need more volunteers for this work of God. For more information call Jenny or Jeff at CLC, 416 204 9749. The Coins for Life boxes are to be returned to the Parish office no later than April 8th.

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO AUSTRIA, CZECH REP., POLAND, HUNGARY & MEDJUGORJE:</u> 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.

StareLife quarta domenica di quaresima

11 marzo 2018

II Vangelo si vive sostenendo ShareLife

Come possiamo "vivere il Vangelo" con la gente intorno a noi quando la nostra vita è così densa di impegni? Per

alcuni signifca fare del volontariato presso una mensa dei poveri, oppure prendersi cura di un parente anziano. Ma,

se non abbiamo tempo per un intervento attivo, possiamo partecipare sostenendo le tante agenzie fnanziate da

ShareLife che nella nostra collettività portano le mani misericordiose di Gesù Cristo ai bisognosi

Domenica prossima ci sarà la prima raccolta fondi ShareLife. Nei prossimi giorni, ricorda che "il Vangelo si vive"

quando aiutiamo i deboli e i bisognosi, facendo una donazione a ShareLife.

Domenica prossima, 18 marzo 2018 è una domenica di ShareLife.

Per favore, dona generosamente.

11 marzo 2018 - 4ª di Quaresima

- ¹ Sui fiumi di Babilonia, là sedevamo piangendo al ricordo di Sion.
- ² Ai salici di quella terra appendemmo le nostre cetre.
- ³ Là ci chiedevano parole di canto coloro che ci avevano deportato, canzoni di gioia, i nostri oppressori: "Cantateci i canti di Sion!".
- ⁴ Come cantare i canti del Signore in terra straniera?
- ⁵ Se ti dimentico, Gerusalemme, si paralizzi la mia destra.
- ⁶ Mi si attacchi la lingua al palato, se lascio cadere il tuo ricordo, se non metto Gerusalemme al di sopra di ogni mia gioia.

Credere è lasciarmi attrarre, lungo la verticale dell'amore, a mia volta allargando le braccia, così vicino, così simile che Cristo possa aderire e baciarmi senza staccarsi dalla croce (Teresa di Calcutta).

Nicodemo prima era diviso tra la curiosità e la paura. Poi, avendo visto Gesù andare incontro ai suoi persecutori per essere crocifisso senza maledirli, capisce che, del Dio che quest'uomo annuncia, non c'è d'aver paura, ma solo da guadagnarci (Paul Devreux).

La croce è segno della misura dell'amore che Dio ha per noi. La nostra fede consiste nel lasciarci amare, nell'aprirci alla notizia, nell'ascoltare le Parole del Figlio che ci danno salvezza (Paolo Curtaz).

Desidero sapere se l'esistenza è un casuale incidente, se è un dono fattomi da qualcuno o una disperata avventura. Disprezzo la rassegnazione e la rinuncia a capire (Raissa Maritain).

AVVISI

- Adorazione del SS.mo Sacramento: ogni venerdì, tenete compagnia al Signore, 1-6.45p.m.
- 2. Ogni venerdì di Quaresima, all'1pm. Via Crucis in italiano in chiesa.
- 3. Le ricevute fiscali per le vostre offerte sono disponibili all'ingresso della chiesa.

<u>INTENZIONI PER MESSE:</u> 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:

Keoshia Philbert-Blake, 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.

<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.

MASS INTENTIONS		March 12 - 18
Mon. Mar 12	8:00 am	+Paciencia Inting
Tues. Mar 13	0.00 0	+Giuseppe Giusti
Wed. Mar 14	8:00 am	+Gregoria Maneva
Thur. Mar 15	8:00 am	+Seong-Ho Chang
Fri. Mar 16	8:00 am	+Stan Raczywolski
	7:00 pm	+Members of the Paxton Family +Members of the Naughton Family +Gianna Pacitto +Ian Gibson +Egidio Baldasarra Spec. Int. For Pina Divetta Spec. Int. For Elizabeth Behani
Sat. Mar 17	8:30 am	+Herbert, Catherine & Partick Paxton +Maria De Jesus Spec. Int. for Karen Uhm Sykes
	5:00 pm	+Janti Salim
Sun. Mar 18	8:00 am	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	9:30 am	+Domenico Fantozzi +Frank & Pasquala Meffe +Gaetana Barbera +Francesco Naccarato
	11:00 am	+Tiberio Simoes
	12:30 pm	+Joseph Gnanapragasam
	4:30 pm	+Robert Terry

<u>SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS</u> are 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.

ERIC L. BLASCHKE

Chartered Accountant

556 Edward Ave., Unit 75

Yonge & Elgin Mills

905-883-0100

Tree I Valley

TPANICCIA LAW T

ADAMO S.A. PANICCIA

Barrister, Solicitor, Attorney & Notary

Garden Centre Ltd. 4431 Stouffville Rd. (W. of McCow treevalley.ca 905-640-2020



Holy Name of Mary College School

Catholic School for Girls (Grades 5 - 12) www.hnmcs.ca 905-891-1890 x103

Marco Stancato C.F.P., RIB(ON)

Insurance - AUTO, BUSINESS, HOME, LIFE Cel 416-346-2814 Bus 905-237-2905

DR. J. D'SOUZA FAMILY DENTIST

New Patients Welcome 324 Hwy. 7 E., Ste 103 (at Bayview) 905-886-6198

STONE & BUILDING SUPPLY LTD. Quality and Service Since 1971

NATURAL STONE MASONRY LANDSCAPE PRODUCTS

2379 Stouffville Road, Gormley 905-773-4251 www.leonastone.com

Abruzzo Pizza Ltd.

www.abruzzopizza.com

Delivery Catering Take-out 9010 Yonge St. 905-881-8222



An Independent Catholic School in the Augustinian Tradition

Grades 4 through 12

Contact Admissions www.villanovacollege.org 2480 15th Sideroad King City

Marshall Funeral Home Ltd.

10366 YONGE STREET 905-884-1062 Richmond Hill L4C 3B8 Providing Dependable Service for Over 100 Years

Richmond Hill's Best Weekend Brunch! Lunch + Dinner Daily - Weekday Lunch Buffet "Innovative menu...extremely tasty"

Toronto Star Prix Fixe menus for baptisms, communions, confirmations or any other special event

fornello

8851 Yonge Street 905-530-1153

'One of Toronto's Top 10" - ZAGAT

Meats • Produce • Grocery • Gourmet Foods Village Gate Plaza • 9665 Bayview Ave. 905-737-4280

271 CHRISLEA ROAD · VAUGHAN · ONTARIO

KITCHENS For all Budgets

905-783-7366 Cabinets, Counters & Installation www.centralkitchens.ca

> RICHMOND HILL **ITALIAN SOCIAL CLUB**

New Members Welcome!
Banquet Hall Facilities 905-889-3648

AGNOTTA

905-738-9463

CUMBRAE

ROOFING LTD.

Residential

Northwood Mortgage Ltd

Abbatangelo Mortgage Agent Parishioner 416-903-1553

Rose

rabbatangelo@NorthwoodMortgage.com

Festa V Juice

juice for great wine

905-738-5550

Dr. M. Krawczuk

Family & Cosmetic **Dentistry**

10271 Yonge St., #100 Richmond Hill

Liberty Home, Health Care & Concierge Services "Independent living the way you like it"

647-828-5111 info@libertyhomehealth.ca Owned by Alicia

ARDEN HOMES

Built for Living, Built for Life 35 West Pearce St., #9 905-882-2320 www.gardenhomes.ca

De La Salle College "Oaklands

Now Accepting Applications Applications from Grade 5 through 12 416-969-8771



New & Pre-Owned Vehicles I Parts & Service FREE LOCAL SHUTTLE SERVICE

2460 Dufferin St. | 416-787-9789

LINA AGOZZINO R.D.H. **Dental Hygienist**

905-884-3571

416-918-5456 www.ladentalhygiene.com

VAUGHAN AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES

10243 Yonge St. Suite 204

(just south of the church)

Auto Parts & Supplies AC DELCO Distributor



166 Norfolk Ave. 905-884-7378 CATHOLIC CEMETERIES SHOP RETIREMENT HOMES

FUNERAL SERVICES In keeping with your Catholic faith www.catholic-cemeteries.com Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home 905-889-7467

647-287-6757

shoprhomes@gmail.com **f** @shopretirementhomes

"The Original" California Shutters Canada 🕶

1-9000 Keele St. 905-738-1472





Multi Pasta 4 & Catering

AKES THE BEST IN HOMEMADE, PREMIUM QUALITY, ITALIAN STYLE FRESH PASTA 14 Oxford St. #8 905-884-9629

Dr. Susan Capitelli Dr. Vera Sluzar-MacIntyre Dr. Jennifer Yan OPTOMETRISTS



905-884-0061 10350 Yonge St. Ste. 104 @ Crosby

905-660-5900

Carlo Di Rezze, P.Eng.

Consulting Engineer

Richmond Hill 905-884-4336

Highland Funeral Home Markham Chapel by Arbor Memorial

Arbor Memorial Inc.

Because family matters!

905-887-8600 • highlandfuneralhome.ca/markham



905.660.7950

Little Morello Vettese Segreto LLP 1111 Creditstone Road | Vaughan

LMVS.ca



www.NorthHillPaints.com

Maria Danko Sales Representative

416-505-5120 11160 Yonge St.

Experience You Can Trust!

"Let me put my Expertise and Energy to work for you" www.century21.com/maria.danko



BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS Evening Hours by appointment 905-884-9242 10800 Yonge St. (at Elgin Mills)

LAW

Elgin Mills

Award-winning retirement living

york mobile dental hygiene



Carolina Gallo RDH **Dental Hygienist** 416 566 5642

cg@yorkmobile.ca yorkmobile.ca

Registered Nurses always

Trial and convalescent stays

Hotel-style service

on site

🔼 Benjamin Moore

AME-TECH

North Hill Paints & Decor

BIANCHI/PRESTA Barristers & Solicitors

Practicing Litigation, Corporate, Commercial & Real Estate 9100 Jane St., 3rd Floor, Bldg. A 905-738-1078

BayviewHillDental.com

Live Right in the Heart of



9200 Bathurst St. 25a, Thornhill (at Rutherford Rd., next to Sobey's)

RICHMOND HILL RETIREMENT RESIDENCE

Richmond Hill

70 Bernard Ave. 905-770-4704 • RichmondHillRetirement.ca



Inspired Retirement Living

Stan Zoldos, CPA, CA, BBM, LPA **Chartered Professional Accountant** 90 Major Mackenzie Dr. E. 905-737-6770

StanZoldos@outlook.com

delmanor.com • 905-770-7963

Insurance Broker Auto • Home • Business 905-752-4747 ext. 203

Maura Moore