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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 Sunday at 2:00 pm

Marriage:

Contact the priest one year in advance

Friday Exposition & Adoration: 12:00 pm to 6:50 pm

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Saturday morning at 9:00 am

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

Charismatic Prayer Group: Every Friday at 7:30 pm

Italian Prayer Group: Every Wednesday at 8:00 pm

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CHRIST'S RESURRECTION AND OURS

God revealed the resurrection of the dead to His people progressively. Hope in the bodily resurrection of the dead established itself as a consequence intrinsic to faith in God as creator of the whole man, soul and body. The creator of heaven and earth is also the one who faithfully maintains His covenant with Abraham and his posterity. It was in this double perspective that faith in the resurrection came to be expressed. In their trials, the Maccabean martyrs confessed:

The King of the universe will raise us up to an everlasting renewal of life, because we have died for His laws. One cannot but choose to die at the hands of men and to cherish the hope that God gives of being raised again by Him.

The Pharisees and many of the Lord's contemporaries hoped for the resurrection. Jesus teaches it firmly. To the Sadducees who deny it He answers, "Is not this why you are wrong, that you know neither the scriptures nor the power of God?" Faith in the resurrection rests on faith in God who "is not God of the dead, but of the living."

But there is more. Jesus links faith in the resurrection to His own person: "I am the Resurrection and the life." It is Jesus Himself who on the last day will raise up those who have believed in Him, who have eaten His body and drunk His blood. Already now in this present life He gives a sign and pledge of this by restoring some of the dead to life, announcing thereby His own Resurrection, though it was to be of another order. He speaks of this unique event as the "sign of Jonah," the sign of the temple: He announces that He will be put to death but rise thereafter on the third day.

To be a witness to Christ is to be a "witness to His Resurrection," to "[have eaten and drunk] with Him after He rose from the dead." Encounters with the risen Christ characterize the Christian hope of resurrection. We shall rise like Christ, with Him, and through Him.

From the beginning, Christian faith in the resurrection has met with incomprehension and opposition. "On no point does the Christian faith encounter more opposition than on the resurrection of the body." It is very commonly accepted that the life of the human person continues in a spiritual fashion after death. But how can we believe that this body, so clearly mortal, could rise to everlasting life?

Christ will raise us up "on the last day"; but it is also true that, in a certain way, we have already risen with Christ. For, by virtue of the Holy Spirit, Christian life is already now on earth a participation in the death and Resurrection of Christ:

And you were buried with Him in Baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.... If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

In expectation of that day, the believer's body and soul already participate in the dignity of belonging to Christ. This dignity entails the demand that he should treat with respect his own body, but also the body of every other person, especially the suffering:

The body [is meant] for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by His power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? You are not your own; So glorify God in your body.

Catechism of the Catholic Church 992-996, 1002, 1004



November is the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory!

MASSES AND PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Owing to the many requests made for the Masses for the dead, please note that during the whole month of November, Masses will be offered for the deceased relatives and friends of the parishioners of St. Mary Immaculate. You may also wish to include their names in our Book of Remembrance or in the All Souls Day envelopes located near the Book of Remembrance. Please place the envelopes with your donations on the basket beside the Book of Remembrance.

FRIDAY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

invites everyone in the conference room after the Friday evening Mass to praise & worship our Lord.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Nov. 9th, Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. This is Rome's oldest and highest ranking Church, the Pope's Cathedral Church as Bishop of Rome. In celebrating its dedication, we acknowledge the Holy Father's universal jurisdiction over the Church.

Wednesday, Nov. 10th, St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor. St. Leo became Pope in the year 440. His defense of the faith, the Church's unity and his concern for the faithful deservedly won for him the title, "the Great." He died in 461.

Thursday, Nov. 11th, St. Martin of Tours, Bishop. St. Martin gave up a military career and became a monk in France. He was known for his sanctity and zeal as a pastor. He died in 397.

Friday, Nov., 12th, St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr St. Josaphat was born in the Ukraine of Orthodox parents about the year 1580. He embraced the Catholic faith becoming a Basilian monk. He became Archbishop of Polock and was martyred in 1623.

ADULT FAITH STUDY PROGRAMME (open to all) on Thursdays from 1 – 2:30 p.m. & from 7– 8:30 p.m. Please note that the same topic will be discussed that day.

SHEPHERDS TRUST Our priests faithfully serve our families, in our churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on our streets and for that we are very grateful. The Shepherds' Trust does more than just bridge the gap in our priest's retirement years; it says thank you in a very tangible way for the blessings we have received. Your generosity on November 13/14 is deeply appreciated.

BUNDLE UP SUNDAY St. Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up" weekend will take place this weekend. Please bring your gently used clothing and household items to the truck at the church, on these days ONLY. Please do not bring computers. We appreciate your donations which will help so many families in need and we thank you for your continued generosity.

CONFIRMATION & 1st HOLY COMMUNION CLASS REGISTRATION is being taken up for students who are in private, public or Catholic Schools outside our boundary. Please call the Parish to register.

15th ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING DINNER AND DANCE on December 3rd at the Presidente Banquet Hall, 1133 Creditstone Road, Concord. \$75/person. Tickets available from Ross B. 416-746-5944, Roland 905-780-8354, Ross C. 905-883-5458, Alan 905-884-9282 or the Parish Office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARDS available on weekends of Nov. 21/28 after all the Masses.

32^a del tempo ordinario - 7 novembre 2010

“Risorgerà dunque la carne. identica, completa e integra. Ovunque essa sia, è depositata presso Dio dal fedelissimo mediatore tra Dio e gli uomini, Gesù Cristo, che renderà Dio all'uomo e l'uomo a Dio, lo spirito alla carne e la carne allo spirito: entrambi egli li ha già uniti nella sua Persona... Quello che tu consideri uno sterminio, è una semplice partenza. Non solo l'anima si allontana, ma anche la carne si ritira frattanto: nell'acqua, nel fuoco, negli abissi, nelle fiere. Quando sembra così dissolversi, vien quasi trasfusa in vasi. Se poi anche i vasi vengono meno, perché si dissolvono e vengono riassorbiti nelle tortuosità della terra loro madre, da questa verrà di nuovo formato Adamo, il quale udrà da Dio le parole: Ecco, Adamo è diventato come uno di noi (Gen 3.22). Allora sarà veramente conscio del male che ha sfuggito e del bene in cui è confluito. Perché, anima, senti astio per la carne? Nessuno ti è tanto prossimo da dover più amare, dopo Dio; nessuno ti è più fratello, perché anche con te essa nasce in Dio” (Tertulliano, *La resurrezione* 63).

“Mi abbracciò la Vita che non muore e mi baciò: il suo Spirito è in me e io non posso più morire perché è Spirito di Vita” (*Odi di Salomone*).

“O mistero infinito di Vita, Noi siamo nulla, eppure possiamo lodarti con la voce stessa del Tuo Verbo fatto voce di tutta la nostra umanità. O mia Trinità, io sono un nulla in Te, ma Tu sei tutto in me, e allora il mio nulla è Vita... è vita eterna. (Maria Evangelista della SS. Trinità, O.Carm.)

AVVISI

1. Si organizza l'evento, tanto caro a don Andrea, in favore dei bambini affetti da HIV. L'evento si terrà il pomeriggio di domenica, 14 novembre. Per biglietti, chiamate Antonietta (905-737-3210) o Rosa (905-731-9175).
2. Ci si prepara per andare a Fatima l'11 dicembre. Per informazioni, chiamate Antonietta (905-737-3210).

MASS INTENTIONS**Nov. 1-30**

- SUN. 9:30 a.m.** Deceased Parishioners,
MON. 8:00 a.m. Relatives, and Friends of the
TUE. 8:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Mary
WED. 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Church
7:00 p.m.
THURS. 8:00 a.m.
FRI. 8:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.
SAT. 9:00 a.m.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Henry & Olga Bisnath, Winifred Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, David Canivet, Esmey, Peter Christoff, Manuela Clement, James Davidson, Caterina & Dominic De Grano, Aldo Dell'erba, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Roberto Garcias, Godfrey Gosein, Gertiudes Henriques, Theresa Hogan, Margaret Kelly, Olivera Lambeta, Macaria Margate, Chris Markle, Margaret McConnell, Paul Melotte, Anthony Morse, Susan, Myola Nunes, Francis Maurice, Michael & Michelle Osborne, Iolanda Perugino, Domenico Pileggi, Louis Pomeroy, Todd Santaguida, Vincenzo Sorbara, Linda Vincent, Therese Vincent, Sandra Weinholdt, Kathleen Whealan, Ted Zygmunt.

CWL PARISH COMMUNITY TEA on Sat. Nov. 20th from 1-3 p.m. Tickets are \$5/person and will be sold after all Masses. Vendors wanting to book a table for a fee of \$20 can call Maura Moore at 905-737-9182. Tickets are also available at the Parish office.

ROSARY APOSTOLATE We are looking for volunteers who love Mother Mary and are willing to go into our Catholic Schools to pray the rosary with the students. Training will be provided. Please call Carole at 905-770-8584 or Mariella at 905-773-8650.

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK on Monday, Nov. 8th at 7:30 p.m. at L'Arche Daybreak, Dayspring Chapel (11339 Yonge St.) We will view the 60 minute film "Swimming at Auschwitz," the story of 6 courageous women who find a path of spiritual resistance that helps them survive. Discussion led by Shary Fine Marmor (herself a survivor) to follow. Event is free. All are welcome. Refreshments to follow. For info, please call 905-884-3454 x 227.

MARIANN HOME ANNUAL BAZAAR (9915 Yonge St.) on Saturday, Nov. 13th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Featuring Craft items, baked goods, tea room, treasure room, raffle tickets, and silent auction items. All proceeds go to support activities for our Seniors.

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential info or to register for the Nov. 12-14 weekend, please call 416-281-6007 or visit www.torontoretrovaille.com

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