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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

Holy Hour: Every Friday Evening from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

First Friday Exposition & Adoration: All Day from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Saturday morning at 9:00 am

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MARRIAGE IN GOD'S PLAN

"The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has established by the Creator and endowed by Him with its own proper laws.... God Himself is the author of marriage." The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. Marriage is not a purely human institution despite the many variations it may have undergone through the centuries in different cultures, social structures, and spiritual attitudes. differences should not cause us to forget its permanent characteristics. common and Although the dignity of this institution is not transparent everywhere with the same clarity, some sense of the greatness of the matrimonial union exists in all cultures. "The well-being of the individual person and of both human and Christian society is closely bound up with the healthy state of conjugal and family life."

Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord Himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning": "So they are no longer two, but one flesh."

In his preaching Jesus unequivocally taught the original meaning of the union of man and woman as the Creator willed it from the beginning permission given by Moses to divorce one's wife was a concession to the hardness of hearts. The matrimonial union of man and woman is indissoluble: God himself has determined it "what therefore God has joined together, let no man put asunder."

This unequivocal insistence on the indissolubility of the marriage bond may have left some perplexed and could seem to be a demand impossible to realize. However, Jesus has not placed on spouses a burden impossible to bear, or too heavy - heavier than the Law of Moses. By coming to restore the original order of creation disturbed by sin, He Himself gives the strength and grace to live marriage in the new dimension of the Reign of God. It is by following Christ, renouncing themselves, and taking up their crosses that spouses will be able to "receive" the original meaning of marriage and live it with the help of Christ. This grace of Christian marriage is a fruit of Christ's cross, the source of all Christian life.

Catechism of the Catholic Church #1603, 1605, 1614, 1615



The Spirituality of St. John Marie Vianney, the Curé of Ars

St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Richmond Hill, invites you to a series of Monthly Recollections marking the Year of the Priesthood to be held on the first Saturday of the month. Following the 9:00 a.m. Mass, the Recollections which will include a Conference, the Divine Office and Confessions. St. John Vianney who will be declared the universal patron of all priests at the end of this year, led a deeply spiritual life which may serve as a model not only for priests but for all the faithful. The solid foundation of his spiritual life was the Sacred Liturgy of the Church. Below is a list of the Recollection topics. The Recollections will end at noon with the recitation of the Angelus.

Sat., October 3rd - The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Sat., Nov. 7th- Atonement, Reconciliation & Penance Sat., December 5th - The Sacred Liturgy Sat., February 6th - Eucharistic Adoration Sat., March 6th - The Sacrament of Penance Sat., April 10th - The Liturgy of the Hours Sat., May 1st - Devotion to Our Lady Sat., June 5th - Holy Priesthood & the Sacred Heart

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Tuesday, October 6th, St. Bruno, Priest, Hermit St. Bruno was born at cologne about the year 1035. He was educated at Paris and after ordination to the priesthood, he taught theology. He desired the solitary life & to this end, he founded the first Carthusian monastery. He died in 1101.

Wednesday, October 7th, Our Lady of the Rosary. This feast was established by St. Pius V on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Christian fleet on October 7, 1571. The Lepanto victory over the Muslim forces was attributed to the intercession of our Lady whose aid was invoked through praying the Rosary.

'VOCATION SEEDS' Matrimony – a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy – a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If God is calling you to religious life and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, please call Fr. Hansoo at 416-968-0997.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY Come and join us pray the 4 mysteries of the Rosary on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Church. Queen of the most holy Rosary, pray for us!

LIFE CHAIN is a prayerful, peaceful, witness to the evil of abortion and to sanctity of human life from the moment of conception. Please take a stand for the unborn and their mothers. Life Chain is for one hour, on one day of the year, on Sunday, Oct. 4 from 2 to 3 p.m. at south Yonge/Major MacKenzie intersection. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for Me." (Mt. 25:40).

<u>DO YOU WISH TO BECOME CATHOLIC?</u> RCIA, our faith instruction program, every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., is for those who desire full communion with the Catholic Church or for those who wish to deepen their faith.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION for Gr. 2 children in Catholic schools who have not yet received their First Holy Communion have begun. Please call the parish office to register your child for catechism classes. Please note that there is mandatory information night on Friday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m.

<u>CONFIRMATION CLASSES</u> for children in Gr. 8 who have not been confirmed will start in November. Please call the Parish Office to register.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!</u> If you are interested in joining this most rewarding ministry please call the parish office or email Margaret Gerritse at mmgerritse@hotmail.com.

<u>BIBLE STUDY</u> one book at a time (currently Luke's Gospel) on Thursdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. For more information, please call Sylvia at 905-751-1035.

<u>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL</u> A 2nd collection will take place next weekend for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Please help us help those in need in our community. On behalf of the Society and the needy in our community, thank you for your generosity.

<u>VISITORS TO HOSPITAL</u>, <u>HOMES</u>, <u>AND NURSING</u> <u>HOMES</u> are invited to join us for a Mass and Meeting on Thursday, October 22nd at 7 p.m.

ATRIUM PROGRAMME (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd), a Montessori approach to learning and experiencing our faith still have Wednesday sessions available in October. For information, registration or preregistration for next year (spots are limited), please call Anita at 905-508-9275.

TASTE OF THE HILL A Multicultural Food Festival on Sunday, October 4th at the Richmond Green Sports Centre benefitting the Rose of Sharon Services and Mosaic Interfaith Out of the Cold Programme. Tickets: \$15. For info or for tickets, please call 905-771-5466.

<u>CARD/GAMES NIGHT</u> in the Parish Hall on Sat., Oct. 17th at 7 p.m., sponsored by the CWL. Adults only please. Light refreshments will be served. Bring your friends, games, cards, and card tables if you have one to use for the evening.

<u>SENIORS LUNCHEON</u> on Monday, Oct. 19th at noon. Tickets (\$10) are available at the office until Oct. 13th.

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"Non ripudiare la tua sposa: significherebbe negare che Dio è l'autore della tua unione. Infatti, se è tuo compito sopportare e correggere i costumi degli estranei, a maggior ragione lo è nei riguardi di tua moglie. Tu ripudi la tua sposa quasi fosse nel tuo pieno diritto: tu credi che ciò ti sia permesso perché la legge umana non lo vieta. Ma lo vieta la legge di Dio: e se ubbidisci agli uomini, devi temere Dio (Ambrogio, *Esposizione sul vangelo di Luca*)."

"Dopo aver riproposto la legge antica, ora Cristo con autorità la interpreta e sancisce dicendo: "Pertanto non sono più due ma una carne sola". Ebbene, come è un delitto tagliare carne umana, è un crimine separare il marito dalla moglie. Non si limita a questo, ma si appella anche all'autorità di Dio, dicendo: "Non separi l'uomo ciò che Dio congiunse". Dimostra così che tale separazione va contro natura e contro la legge: contro natura, perché si tagli ciò che è una sola carne; contro la legge, perché avendo Dio congiunto e comandato che non si separi ciò che egli ha unito, non si pensi ugualmente a separarlo (Giovanni Crisostomo, Commento al vangelo di Matteo)."

"L'istituzione del matrimonio nel paradiso terrestre è affermata da una tradizione antica e solida. Parlando del matrimonio il Signore si rifà all'Antico Testamento: «Non avete letto?...» (Mt 19,4; Mc 10,2-12). E anche s. Paolo (Ef 5,31). Clemente alessandrino lo dice esplicitamente: «Il Figlio non ha fatto altro che confermare quanto aveva istituito il Padre». Nella creazione dell'uomo egli vedeva il sacramento del battesimo, e nella comunione d'amore della prima coppia l'istituzione divina del sacramento del matrimonio. Egli parla della «grazia paradisiaca del matrimonio». Per questa grazia il matrimonio cristiano riceve qualcosa dello stato coniugale di avanti alla caduta. Anzi, egli dice molto di più: «Dio ha creato l'uomo: uomo e donna; l'uomo significa il Cristo, la donna la Chiesa». L'amore tra Cristo e la Chiesa costituisce l'archetipo [il modello] del matrimonio e così preesiste alla coppia, giacché Adamo fu creato ad immagine di Cristo ed Eva ad immagine della Chiesa. Ora si vede perché la prima coppia e in seguito le altre si rifanno a quell'unica immagine. S. Paolo formula l'essenziale: «È un grande mistero; voglio dire che si applica a Cristo e alla Chiesa» (Ef 5,32) (P. Evdokimov, Sacramento dell'amore, 142-3)."

AVVISI

- 1. Si programma un pellegrinaggio in Terra Santa (13-23 novembre). Coloro che sono interessati possono chiamare Ezia (905-884-3896), Antonietta (905-737-3210), o Vittoria (905-883-1255).
- 2. Durante il mese di ottobre, da lunedì a venerdì, si recita il Santo Rosario in chiesa alle 9am.
- 3. Mercoledì ottobre 21, 28 e novembre 4, don Andrea guiderà il Gruppo di preghiera nel Seminario di Vita nello Spirito; chi desiderasse rinnovare la propria fede con questa pia pratica é invitato a partecipare.

MASS INTENTIONS Oct. 4 - 10 SUN. 9:30 a.m. +Le anime sante del purgatorio +Bruno Sposato + Deceased Members of the Stante and Ulacco Families + Giuseppe & Luigi Giancola +Giovannie & Teresa DeLuca +Di Mambro Family Intentions of our Holy Father Intentions of SMI priests Suffering souls MON. 8:00 a.m. +Rocco Panacci +Eva Moreas TUE. 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. +Davis Ahlowalia WED. +Luciano Piccolo 7:00 p.m. +John Quattrociocchi + Le anime sante del purgatorio Intentions of our Holy Father Intentions of SMI priests Suffering souls In honour of St. Joseph Special Intention THURS. 8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Liu Family FRI. 8:00 a.m. +Marthana Kaszuba 7:00 p.m. +Stan Prince SAT. 9:00 a.m. In reparation to the Immaculate Heart +Libera Mastro Special Int. / In Thanksgiving +Deceased Members of the Inting Family +Deceased Members of the Paxton Family +Deceased Members of the Naughton Family Holy Souls in Purgatory Intentions of our Holy Father Intentions of SMI priests Suffering souls

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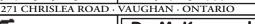
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