St. Mary Immaculate Parish

Established in 1857

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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: 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

Schools

St. Anne	905-883-0311	St. Charles Garnier	905-884-0223
St. Mary Immaculate	905-884-5381	Fr. Henri Nouwen	905-884-8086
Corpus Christi	905-770-8713	St. Theresa of Lisieux High School	905-787-1407

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REPENTANCE

Jesus invites *sinners* to the table of the kingdom: "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners." He invites them to that conversion without which one cannot enter the kingdom, but shows them in word and deed His Father's boundless mercy for them and the vast "joy in heaven over one sinner who repents". The supreme proof of His love will be the sacrifice of His own life "for the forgiveness of sins".

The confession of sins. The confession (or disclosure) of sins, even from a simply human point of view, frees us and facilitates our reconciliation with others. Through such an admission man looks squarely at the sins he is guilty of, takes responsibility for them, and thereby opens himself again to God and to the communion of the Church in order to make a new future possible.

Confession to a priest is an essential part of the sacrament of Penance: "All mortal sins of which penitents after a diligent self-examination are conscious must be recounted by them in confession, even if they are most secret and have been committed against the last two precepts of the Decalogue; for these sins sometimes wound the soul more grievously and are more dangerous than those which are committed openly."

When Christ's faithful strive to confess all the sins that they can remember, they undoubtedly place all of them before the divine mercy for pardon. But those who fail to do so and knowingly withhold some, place nothing before the divine goodness for remission through the mediation of the priest, "for if the sick person is too ashamed to show his wound to the doctor, the medicine cannot heal what it does not know."

According to the Church's command, "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year." Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must <u>not</u> receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution, unless he has a grave reason for receiving Communion and there is no possibility of going to confession. Children must go to the sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion for the first time.

Without being strictly necessary, confession of everyday faults (venial sins) is nevertheless strongly recommended by the Church. Indeed the regular confession of our venial sins helps us form our conscience, fight against evil tendencies, let ourselves be healed by Christ and progress in the life of the Spirit. By receiving more frequently through this sacrament the gift of the Father's mercy, we are spurred to be merciful as he is merciful:

Whoever confesses his sins... is already working with God. God indicts your sins; if you also indict them, you are joined with God. Man and sinner are, so to speak, two realities: when you hear "man" - this is what God has made; when you hear "sinner" - this is what man himself has made. Destroy what you have made, so that God may save what He has made.... When you begin to abhor what you have made, it is then that your good works are beginning, since you are accusing yourself of your evil works. The beginning of good works is the confession of evil works. You do the truth and come to the light.

"God created us without us: but He did not will to save us without us." To receive His mercy, we must admit our faults. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

As St. Paul affirms, "Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more." But to do its work grace must uncover sin so as to convert our hearts and bestow on us "righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Like a physician who probes the wound before treating it, God, by His Word and by His Spirit, casts a living light on sin:

Conversion requires convincing of sin; it includes the interior judgment of conscience, and this, being a proof of the action of the Spirit of truth in man's inmost being, becomes at the same time the start of a new grant of grace and love: "Receive the Holy Spirit." Thus in this "convincing concerning sin" we discover a double gift: the gift of the truth of conscience and the gift of the certainty of redemption. The Spirit of truth is the Consoler.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, #545, 1455-145, 1847-1848

DO YOU WISH TO BECOME CATHOLIC OR KNOW SOMEONE ELSE WHO DOES? Anyone interested in joining the RCIS is invited to meet in the Church at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21st. The RCIA is open to those who wish to become Catholic, adults needing the Sacrament of first Holy Communion, Confession and Confirmation, and adults interested in learning more about their faith.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

open to all children 3-7 yrs old. A Montessori approach to learning about our faith. Tuesday or Saturday sessions begin in October. For those interested, see our specially designed room & materials at the north end of our parish hall. To preregister or for info, please call Anita at 905-508-9275. Space is limited.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S first meeting will take place on Wed., September 15th. Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. Meeting to follow. New members welcome.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Monday, Sept. 13th , St. John Chrysostom, Bishop,

Doctor. St. John Chrysostom was elected Bishop of Constantinople in 397 and proved himself a capable pastor, committed to reforming the life of the clergy and the faithful. Twice, he was forced into exile by the hatred of the imperial court and the envy of his enemies. He died on September 14, 407.

Tuesday, September 14th, Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Today's feast commemorates the Veneration of the true Cross and celebrates the double anniversary of the finding of the Cross in September 326 and the dedication of the Churches built by the emperor Constantine on the sites of the Holy Sepulchre and Calvary. Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:00 p.m. Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. Veneration of the relic of the Cross will take place after the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Wednesday, September 15th, Our Lady of Sorrows. Today, we commemorate the fidelity of Our Lady at the foot of the Cross and contemplate her compassion.

Thursday, September 16th, St. Cornelius, Pope & Martyr, & Cyprian, Bishop & Martyr. Martyrs of the third century who suffered both for the unity of the Church and the Faith.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION will be on Sunday, September 26th in the Church hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. First Class is on October 3, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Children currently attending public or private schools who will be receiving First Holy Communion in the spring must attend these sessions.

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COUPLES FOR CHRIST – FOUNDATION FOR FAMILY & LIFE invites you to attend the Christian Life Seminar (beginning Sept. 11th in the Parish Hall at 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.), Registration is free. Please contact Benny & Ching V. de Dios at (905) 350-8858 or e-mail: bennyvdd@gmail.com

SMI YOUTH GROUP are selling tickets to their Friday, Oct. 1st Casino Royale Gala as part of their fundraising effort to attend the World Youth Day in Spain. Tickets will be sold after each Mass. Tickets per person are \$75. Please support our youth. For information, please contact Jessica at (905) 770-6764.

TAI CHI classes will resume on Tuesday, September 21st for seniors 55+. 10 weeks for \$10. Beginners class is from 9-10:15 a.m. Ongoing class is from 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. for info, Pauline Kugler at 416-221-2986.

12 settembre 2010 - 24^a del tempo ordinario

"Se il gran numero delle misericordie di Dio si potesse contare e la grandezza della pietà di Dio si potesse misurare, di fronte al gran numero e alla grandezza dei peccati davvero dovrebbe regnare la disperazione. Ma poiché questi, per natura loro sono misurabili e numerabili, mentre la pietà di Dio non può essere misurata e le sue misericordie non possono essere contate, non è tempo di disperazione ma di riconoscimento della misericordia e di riprovazione dei peccati: poiché la remissione di questi, come è scritto, è già data nel sangue di Cristo. Che non si debba disperare ci viene insegnato in molti modi e in molti luoghi, ma soprattutto dalla parabola del Nostro Signore Gesù Cristo a proposito del figlio che ha preso i beni del padre e li ha dissipati nei peccati. E impariamo dalle parole stesse del Signore di quale e quanta festa sia stata fatta degna la sua penitenza (Basilio di Cesarea, Regole brevi qaest. 13)."

"A chi di noi non darebbe un poco fastidio essere uno di quei novantanove giusti che non vengono festeggiati solo perché non sono stati convertiti? Ma è possibile dire di non essere stati convertiti, di non aver difficoltà continue di conversione? E poi la festa c'è eccome, perché la conversione è un miracolo, è il vero miracolo, lo è anche nelle guarigioni di Gesù: "era morto [...], era perduto", ma ora vive! La salvezza è la stessa per tutti, per quelli della prima ora come per quelli dell'ultima. (*Gruppo OPG*)."

Dio della libertà e della pace, che nel perdono dei peccati ci doni il segno della creazione nuova, fa' che tutta la nostra vita riconciliata nel tuo amore diventi lode e annunzio della tua misericordia. Per il nostro Signore Gesù Cristo...

AVVISI

1. Si comincia ad organizzare 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. Si organizzano pellegrinaggi ai Santi Medici (25-26 settembre) ed in Terra Santa. Per informazioni chiamate Antonietta (905-737-3210) o Ezia (905-884-3896).

3. Le prove del Coro sono ricominciate; ci si incontra ogni giovedì alle 7.55pm. Se vi piace cantare, siete calorosamente invitati a partecipare. Chiamate Flavia (905-737-8852).

MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 12-1	8
SUN. 9:30 a.m. † Gabriel Magnotta	U
† Angelo Mignardi	
† Tommaso Curtis	
† Tonya D'Ambrosi	
Spec. Int. Mary Zenny Diann	е
Gumacal	•
† Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Intentions of our Holy Father	
Intentions of SMI Priests	
MON. 8:00 a.m. † Giuseppe Giusti	
TUE. 8:00 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory	
WED. 8:00 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory	
7:00 p.m. In honour of St. Joseph	
† Gabriel Magnotta	
† Alberto Perricciolo	
+ Attilio forte	
+ Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Intentions of Our Holy Father	
Intentions of SMI Priests	
THURS. 8:00 a.m. † Milea Velardo	
FRI. 8:00 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory	
7:00 p.m. In Reparation to the Sacred	
Heart of Jesus	
Special Intention	
† Vincenza Maio	
†Jonathon Reddy	
Dec. Members of the	
Naughton, Madden and	
Winton Families	
Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Intentions of SMI priests	
Intentions of our Holy Father	
SAT. 9:00 a.m. In honour of the Immaculate	
Heart of Mary	
† Libera Mastro † John Dingillo	
†Luigi Cappuccitti Special Intention	
Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Intentions of our Holy Father	
Intentions of SMI priests	
REMEMBER OUR SICK	

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

FNE enroll your child in a same gender program that helps your child better embrace their faith while exploring the world around them. Adults, are you interested in joining a team of like minded volunteers to help our? We will visit St. Mary Immaculate on Sept. 11 and 12 to share with you more information. Please call Paul Ritchi at 416-435-6593 mail or e par2@sympatico.ca or visit www.fneexplorers.com



