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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Friday - 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

**Pastor** - Rev. Father Boniface Perri

**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. David Langley

**Parish Secretary** - Delia McEvenue

**Pastoral Care** - Sr. Jean Doyle o.s.u.

**Secretarial Assistant** - Patricia Hofland

**Youth Ministry** - Ray Reitzel

**LifeTeen Youth Ministry** Line 905-778-0373

E-mail Bradfordlifeteen@gmail.com

**Parish Social Ministry**

Jean Lashley (cell) 905-392-1909

**Baptisms:** By appointment with at least one month's notice to provide for adequate preparation

### Marriages:

By appointment with at least one year's notice to provide for adequate preparation.

### Holy Communion For Shut-Ins and Sick:

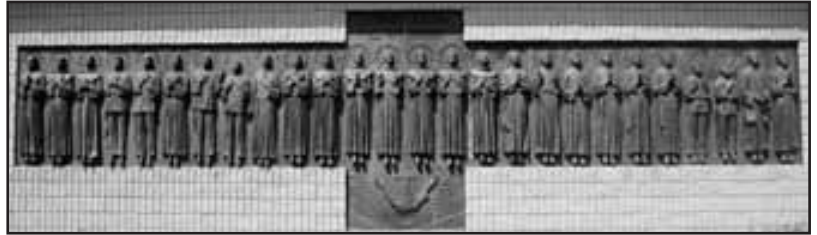
The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Please notify the office if a family member is in hospital or confined to the home through sickness or old age.

### Support and Enrichment Ministries

- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- Consolation & Hope
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Catholic Women's League
- Knights of Columbus
- Development & Peace
- Holy Martyrs Seniors Club
- Divino Espirito Santo
- Santissima Trindade
- Nossa Senhora De Fatima
- Life Teen & EDGE Youth Ministry

### Our Parish Catholic Schools:

- Holy Trinity High School - 905-775-4841
- St. Charles - 905-775-6762
- Marie of the Incarnation - 905-775-3492
- St. Jean de Brébeuf - 905-775-8460
- Mother Teresa - 905-778-8653



### Sunday Eucharist:

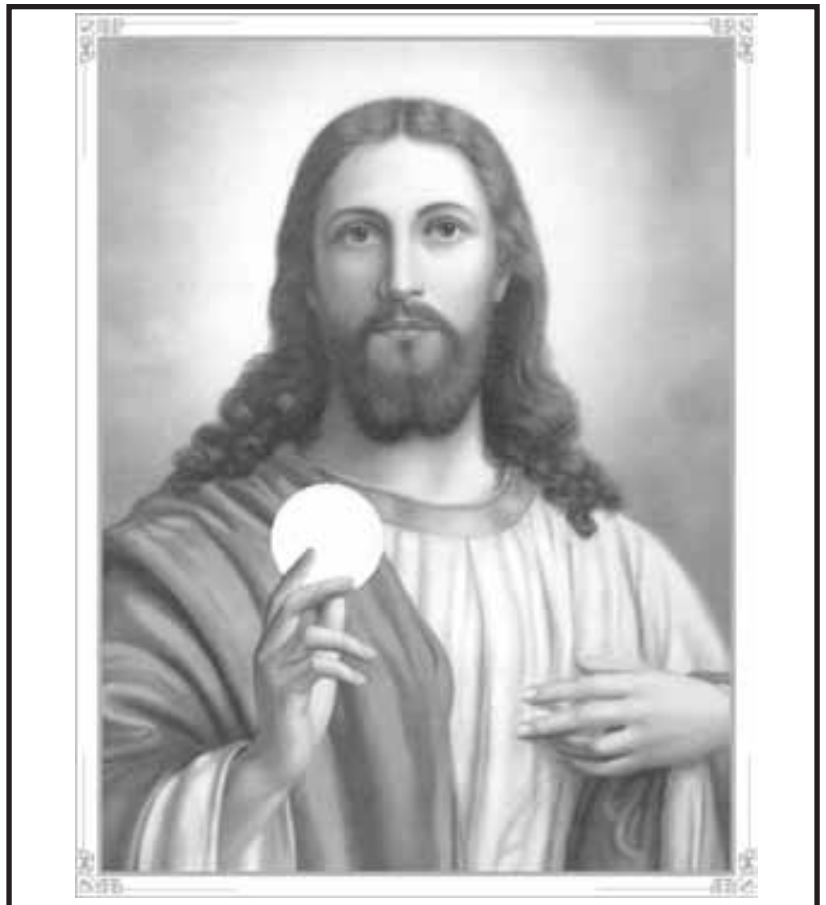
Saturdays 5:00 PM • Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM  
Spanish Language Mass, 5:00 PM  
Life Teen Mass Sundays at 6:30 PM

### Weekday Masses:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 7:00 PM  
Tuesdays and Thursdays: 8:00 AM • Saturdays: 9:15 AM

**Confessions:** Saturdays from 3:45 to 4:45 PM, Confessions may be heard anytime at the rectory. Please call ahead of time to be certain a priest is available

**New Parishioners: WELCOME!** You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish office or in the gathering space of the church.



**Our Mission:** We are disciples of Jesus, empowered by the Spirit, to live and proclaim with joy the Gospel of the Lord.

**A Nossa Missao:** Nos somos discipulos de Jesus, e o Espirito Santo nos da proderes para viver e proclamar com jubilo o Evangelo de Deus

**The Living Bread**

In the First Reading of today's Mass <sup>(1 Kings 19:4-8)</sup> we read that Elias the prophet, fleeing from Jezabel, went to Horeb, the holy mountain. During the long and difficult journey, he felt so tired he wished to die. *Enough, God, he said. Take up my soul, for I am not better than my fathers.* And lying down there, he fell asleep. But an angel of the Lord woke him and offered him bread saying, *Rise up and eat, for you still have a long journey ahead. Elias arose, ate and drank, and strengthened by the meal walked for forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God.* What he could not do of his own strength, he could do with the meal that the Lord gave him when he was most distraught.

The holy mountain which was the prophet's destination is an image of heaven. The forty days of travel represents our journey through life, during which we too encounter temptations, difficulties and fatigue. At times we too may find ourselves distraught and without hope. As the Angel does, so does the Church invite us to nourish ourselves with the bread - in all ways unique - that is Christ Himself, present in the Holy Eucharist. In Him we will find the strength to reach heaven, in spite of our weakness.

Holy Communion was called the Viaticum or "food for the journey" during the early years of Christianity, drawing an analogy between this sacrament and the viaticum, or provisions of food and money, that Romans took with them on long journeys. Later, this term was reserved for the spiritual assistance - in particular, the Holy Eucharist - that the Church gives to her children during the final and definitive stage of their journey to eternal life.

*I am the bread of life...* Jesus tells us in the Gospel of the Mass <sup>(John 6:48-51)</sup>. *If anyone eats of this bread, he shall life forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.*

Today our Lord reminds us that we need to receive Him in Holy Communion in order to participate in the divine life, to overcome temptations, to foster and nourish the life of grace born in us through Baptism. Whoever receives Communion in a state of grace participates in the fruits of the Holy Mass and obtains benefits that are proper and specific to the reception of the Sacrament. They receive Christ Himself, the source of all grace, really and spiritually. Thus, the Holy Eucharist is the greatest sacrament, the centre and summit of all the rest. The true presence of Christ in this sacrament gives it an infinite supernatural effectiveness.

In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez

**Our Weekly Collection**

**Offertory Donation \$5,138.00**

Our Weekly Goal is \$6,000.00

Help us to reach our weekly goal. Please donate 1 or 2 dollars more each week to carry us through the summer months.

**25<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosary Sunday**

**September 20<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 noon - onwards  
at Martyrs Shrine, Midland, Ont.**

The day will start out with an outdoor Mass celebrated at the Polish Altar by Rev. Alex Kirsten, S.J., Director of the Shrine. After Mass, at 2:00pm, a procession with the Blessed Sacrament followed by the Living Rosary, with Homily preached by Archbishop Thomas Collins, and Benediction at the Papal Altar.

- Bring your rosary, lawn chair and blanket
- Bring your group's banner and join in the procession
- Bring your voice and sing Marian Hymns with the choir
- Bring your lunch and enjoy a picnic, then take time to visit Canada's National Shrine to the Canada Martyrs
- For more information, please call 705-435-3406, 705-428-3540 or email [rosary-Sunday@rogers.com](mailto:rosary-Sunday@rogers.com)

Have you registered yet for the\_

**"THEOLOGY of the BODY:**

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This exciting weekend is sure to be thought provoking, and life changing! Well know Catholic speaker and author Christopher West will be in Toronto **on October 16-17**, igniting the "Theological time bomb"! Discover what many are calling a radically new way of looking at the Church's teachings on human sexuality and love. Discover Pope John Pauls II's "Theology of the Body".

The conference takes place on **October 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 4:30pm at the Canada Christian College, 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto, Ontario. (Don Mills and Eglinton Avenue). Registration is \$40.00.** Registration closes on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Register on our website: [www.godsexmeaningoflife.homestead.com](http://www.godsexmeaningoflife.homestead.com) or by email at: [stbreg@gmail.com](mailto:stbreg@gmail.com) or by phone at: 416-471-5465. Don't miss out!

**Quote from the Saint of the Week**

**Our labour here is brief, but the reward is eternal. Do not be disturbed by the clamour of the world which passes like a shadow. Do not let the false delights of a deceptive world deceive you.**

St. Clare (August 11<sup>th</sup>)

***SPECIAL MASS of the  
DIVINE MERCY & DEVOTIONS***

**WHEN:** Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm

**WHERE:** Our Lady of Assumption Church, Brentwood

**CONFESSIONS:** Between 6:30pm and 7:00pm

**AGENDA:** The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung and led by Our Lady of Grace choir

Following will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the Celebration of Holy Mass.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>5:00pm Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	Antonio Santana, Vitorino Nazario, Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
+	Joao Gomes Faria, Maria de Jesus by Augusta Barros
+	Stanislawa Jugowiec by Linehan Family
+	Arthur Gois by Beatrice Gois
<b>Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup></b>	
8:30am	+ Francisco Rodrigues by Ester Barros & Family
10:00am	+ Ernesto Marques by Maria Sousa & Family
11:30am	+ Jose, Maria & Luis Ferreira by Fernandes Family
5:00pm	+ Spanish Mass
6:30pm	+ Pro Populo
<b>7:00pm Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	Giuseppe Beninati by Wife Francesca Beninati
+	Joao Laranjeiro by Wife & Children
+	Jose, Maria, Luis & Irene Ferreira by Maria Fernandes
+	Celeste Henriques by Maria Rosa & Jose Fernandes
+	John Ferreira by Bernardete Ferreira
+	Special Intentions by Maria Da Silva
+	Maria Da Silva by Luis Da Silva & Family
<b>8:00am Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	Teresa Perela by Joe Labot
<b>7:00pm Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	Antonio & Cecilia Fernandes by Fernandes Family
<b>8:00am Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	All Souls by Maria Da Silva
<b>7:00pm Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	Maria Pugliese by Husband and Family
<b>9:15am Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	All Souls
<b>5:00pm Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup></b>	
+	John Da Silva by Maria Da Silva
+	Manuel Moniz by Maria Da Conceicao
+	Celeste Henriques by Frank P. Henriques & Family
+	Alzira & Laurinda Janeiro by Antonio Janeiro & Family
<b>Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup></b>	
8:30am	+ All Souls
10:00am	+ Maria & Antonio Marques by Maria Sousa & Family
11:30am	+ Eduardo Lancha by Reg & Connie Ferreira
5:00pm	+ Spanish Mass
6:30pm	+ Pro Populo
<i>"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"</i>	

**NEEDED**

The Parish is in serious need of people who can help Carol and the choir to bring a richness to the 10:00am Sunday Mass. We are in special need of musicians, organ or piano would be ideal and people who can play guitar are welcome. This person should be able to read music. For further details call Carol at 705-775-7068 or the office.



Ultimate Frisbee

We are entered in an Ultimate Frisbee tournament on August 16, 2009. We are playing on Wednesday nights throughout the summer to prepare for the tournament. If you are in high school and would like to join the team or just come out and play a few games, please contact Ray at the office.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**The Parish Office will be closed all day on Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>** We will be checking for phone messages throughout the day and will return calls asap. Thank you for your co-operation.



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- Social Committee



Existing

- Bible Study
- Choir Members
- Confirmation Preparation
- First Communion Preparation
- First Reconciliation Preparation
- New Members are welcome to the Knights of Columbus, CWL, Development & Peace, and Seniors Club
- Youth Ministry – Edge and Lifeteen

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THANKS FROM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A big thanks to all the children and parents who helped make our Vacation Bible School a great success. The children and their leaders joined our Crocodile Dock and learned that God is with us, is powerful, God does what He says He'll do. God gives us life and God cares for us.

They all had fun listening to the stories, playing games, making crafts and making new friends. Thanks to Father Boniface and our teaching assistants, the parish family, our youth leaders, and those who provided the delicious snacks and the parish office staff.

God Bless!

Rosa Severino

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