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Parish Office Hours—Monday through Friday—9:00am to 4:00pm



Pastor: Rev. Father Boniface Perri
Associate Pastor: Rev. Father Joseph Lam Tran
Deacon: Rev. Mr. David Langley



St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
Life Teen Mass—6:30pm
Seasonal Spanish Mass—5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:00am
Saturdays: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

1/2 hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact us one month or more in advance.

MARRIAGE

Please contact us one year in advance for adequate preparation.

HOLY COMMUNION for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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

OFFICE STAFF

Parish Secretary:
Delia McEvenue
Secretarial Assistant:
Patty Hofland

MINISTERS

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Sister Jean Doyle O.S.U.
Youth Ministry:
Ray Reitzel
reitzel@hotmail.com
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Jean Lashley 905-392-1909

PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Bereavement Support Group CWL (Catholic Women's League)
Consolation and Hope Development and Peace
Life Teen Knights of Columbus
EDGE Youth Ministry Seniors Club
Liturgical Ministers Social Club
New Beginnings St. Vincent de Paul Society
Parish Library
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo
Nossa Senhora De Fatima
Santissima Trindade

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish Office or in the gathering space at the back of the Church. Offering Envelopes are available.

LIGHT IN DARKNESS

Saint Matthew also tells us that once Christ had begun His public life, the first men to receive the powerful influence of His light were those disciples whom He called – St. Andrew, Peter, James and John, as *He walked by the Sea of Galilee. These men experienced the fascination of the hidden light that emanated from Him, and they followed Him without delay so that their path through life might shine with His brightness. But that light of Jesus shines out for everyone.* John Paul II, Homily, 25, Jan 1981 He dispels our darkness and gives meaning to our lives; to our daily work, to our weariness, to our sorrows and our joys.

The Gospels tell us how for many individuals, for whole crowds, the life of Jesus is like a story told to them of an unexpected meeting; we too sometimes find ourselves in the dark but know that the light can scarcely wait to break through. cf A.G. Dorransoro, notes on the Virtue of Hope, Madrid, 1974 We hear the *first reading* of the Mass that today, too, the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled.

It is the joy that comes from faith and which gives light to all our activities: it is the marvel of Jesus, who gives meaning to everything that happens to us and to everything we do.

In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez

The Knights of Columbus

will be hosting a Communion Breakfast after all Masses on Sunday, February 13th in the Parish Hall.



Cost is \$5.00 per adult or \$20.00 per family. Come out and support the Knights and have a delicious breakfast too!

The 2011 Catholic Women's League Executives

- President.....Tina Gasper
- President Elect.....Imelda Santos
- Treasurer..... Stefanie Bobala
- Corresponding Secretary.....Cynthia Belanger
- Recording Secretary.....Carol Belanger
- Past President.....Vilma LaRoche
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- Communications.....Donna Blay
- Education & Health.....Orysia Zacchigna
- Resolution/Legislation.....Mikki Nanowski
- Parish Activities..... Mae Eek & Mary Molokach
- Funeral Luncheons..Tina Gasper, Mae Eek & Mary Molokach

REMINDER TO ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES that classes start the week of January 24th.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Offertory Donation for Jan 16th was \$7,608.03
Our Weekly goal is \$6,000.00
Thank you for your generosity!

ENROLMENT MASS

Confirmation Candidates are asked to **attend any Mass on the weekend of January 22/23** and enroll in the program for immediate preparation for Confirmation. In so doing, they publicly state that they wish to live an active Catholic life style. We will give them a cross to wear as a symbol of that commitment. Please pray for these young people that they may always be guided and strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND**

You are invited to attend an Appreciation Evening to celebrate all volunteers who gave their time to support the mission of the Church. This includes EVERYONE who has volunteered from any ministry or group or any other help that you so generously give. Come and let us say thank you for all you do to enliven our community. There will be **Mass that evening followed by a time for fellowship and refreshments starting at 7:00pm.**

HOLY MARTYRS FEAST DAY – SUN. FEB 6TH



On Sunday, February 6th at the 11:30am Mass we will be celebrating our Feast Day for the Holy Martyrs of Japan followed by a light luncheon in the Parish Hall. Please come out and help us

celebrate this very special day with friends, family and Parish.

CWL Winter Social

January 31st from 2:00-4:00 pm at St. Paul's Church in Aliston at 190 King Street. South. **Free! All CWL Members are invited.** Car pooling is available- please call Tina at 905-775-4386 for arrangements.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning January 14, 2011. The advertisements make our bulletin possible. **Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.**

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The new offering envelopes for the year 2011 are available in the parish office for pick up. Office hours are from Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. If you are a new parishioner and would like to register with the Parish, please see Father Boniface, Father Joseph or Deacon Dave after any Mass and they will be happy to help you fill out a registration form and give you a box of offering envelopes located at back of the Church. Thank you!

QUOTE of the WEEK

Anger is quieted by a gentle word, as fire is quenched by water.

The Spirit of St. Francis de Sales Jan 24th

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, January 22nd

- + Marjorie McEvenue by Vilma LaRoche
- + Miguel, Fernanda & Bernardino Carvalho by Jack, Gina & Danny
- + Garcia Miguelo by Lucia Miguelo & Family
- + Josephine & Gerardo Di Fonzo by Giulio & Maria Di Fonzo
- + Peter Rydzkowski by Laddie & Family
- + Manuel & Maria Rosete Conceicao by Celso & Maria Domingues
- + Sadie Branford by Peggy Dillon
- + Nancy Bova by Daughter – Dian Bova-Stubbs

Sunday, January 23rd

- 8:30am + Amilcar Miranda by the Portuguese Choir
- 10:00am + Luis Devald by Wife – Maria Devald
- 11:30am + Manuel Augusto & Lurdes Dinis by Dinis Family
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

7:00pm Monday, January 24th

- + Antonio Mirassol by Wife & Children
- + Celeste Oliveira Simiao by Sarafina Ingoglia
- + Joao Oliveira & Maria Rosa Ribeiro by Rosa & David Oliveira
- + Julio Barroso by Silva Family

8:00am Tuesday, January 25th

- + All Souls by a Parishioner

7:00pm Wednesday, January 26th

- + Ignazio Polizzi by Wife

8:00am Thursday, January 27th

- * Special Intentions for Jamie by Maria Da Silva

7:00pm Friday, January 28th

- + George Vernola by Vernola Family

9:15am Saturday, January 29th

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5:00pm Saturday, January 29th

- + Garcia Miguelo by Lucia Miguelo & Family
- + Maria & Saul Oliveira by Celso & Maria Domingues
- + Muriel Gough by Judy & Doug Adams
- + Rafael Chavez by Patty Hofland

Sunday, January 30th

- 8:30am + Amilcal Miranda by the Portuguese Choir
- 10:00am + Maria & Luis Borges by Maria Da Silva
- 11:30am + Joao Ferreira & Joao Laranjeiro by Grego Family
- 6:30pm Pro Populo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"

Marriage Preparation Classes

Holy Martyrs of Japan is proud to present MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES starting on Friday, January 28th from 7:30pm to 9pm with 3 more classes to follow. Cost of this course is \$50.00 per couple. Lunch will be provided. If you are planning on getting married next year, you should be signing up for these very informative classes. Please call the Parish Office for registration at 905-775-2065 or see Father after any Mass or drop by the office for registration form.



If you are a lady who would like to be more involved in your parish, meet other Catholic women ages 16 and older, and deepen your faith while contributing your gifts and talents, we invite you to join the CWL. We encourage your ideas to help our parish be welcoming and dynamic. Even if you only have a little time to give, we invite you to call Tina at 905-775-4386 or Imelda at 905-

775-7819 for more information on becoming a member. Thank you for your prayers. May God bless you and your families.

Sunday to Sunday.....

UPCOMING EVENTS at HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

- Mon Jan 31st – 7:30pm – RCIA
- Mon Jan 31st – 7:30pm – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
- Mon Jan 31st – 8:00pm – CWL Executive Meeting
- Wed Feb 2nd – 7:30pm – Volunteer Appreciation Evening
- Wed Feb 2nd – 8:00pm – Al-Anon
- Fri Feb 4th – 7:30pm – Marriage Preparation Course
- Sat Feb 5th 10:00am – Marriage Preparation Course
- Sun Feb 6th – Holy Martyrs Feast Reception after the 11:30am Mass



January 23rd – Guy's Night Out, Gal's Night In



January 24th – St. Michael

SUPPORT for RECENTLY SEPARATED or DIVORCED CATHOLICS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is offering a ten-week group program for adult men and women who are dealing with the many struggles involved in the process of separation and divorce. Participants will receive support and guidance as they move through this difficult period of transition. Some topics include: coping with loss and finding support, dealing with anger and shame and finding new beginnings.

Date & Time: February 8th – April 12th 2011 (10 weeks) Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Location: Catholic Family Services of Toronto (North Branch) 5799 Yonge Street, Suite 300 (located in the Newtonbrook Plaza – Southeast corner of Yonge St & Cummer). For further Information – call facilitator – Mario Esposito at 416-222-0048.

HAVE YOU WONDERED SERIOUSLY if you have a vocation to be a sister, brother or priest? Are you looking for an opportunity to get away for quiet prayer and reflection to explore this more seriously? Set aside a weekend for yourself and make a discernment retreat arranged specifically for this purpose. Which weekend? February 24-27, 2011. The retreat will take place at the Scarboro Mission Centre, 2685 Kingston Road in Toronto. The retreat is intended for persons 18 and older and is sponsored by the Toronto Area Vocation Directors Association (TAVDA). For more information, contact:

Fr. Leonard Altilia, SJ
416-962-4500

Vocations@jesuits.ca

Sr. Dorothy Schweitzer, CSJ
416-927-0720

dschweitzer@csj-to.ca

Fr. Michael Traher, SFM
416-261-7135

mtraher@scarboromissions.ca

ALONE AGAIN is a marriage enrichment weekend for couples married 25 years or more. This unique weekend is designed to help married couples look at the rest of their lives once children have left, or planning for their retirement, or continuing their personal growth once retired. This special weekend is being held **February 25-27 at the Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre** in Mississauga. For information, call 905-278-8879 or 416-694-1742 or register at Queen of Apostles at 905-278-5229.



Thank you for your generosity for wanting to contribute used clothing to the Parish, however, we are **NOT ACCEPTING clothing** at this time because we do not have a distribution place for them. For those who like to donate clothing, please locate the nearest Goodwill Store or Used Clothing Box to deposit these things. Please pass this message along so that the clothes will find a grateful home.



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