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Mass Intentions	
Monday, May 29	
7:00 am	† Henry MacDonald Broadley
8:30 am	† Salvadore D'Souza
Tuesday, May 30	
7:00 am	† Francis Joseph Daly
8:30 am	† Meso Mazzorato
Wednesday, May 31	The Visitation of the Blessed
	Virgin Mary
7:00 am	† Julieta Tibayan
8:30 am	† Gabriella Savona
Thursday, June 1	St. Justin Martyr
7:00 am	In Thanksgiving
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8:30 am	† James Hancock
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#### THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wednesday, May 31, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast was established throughout the Church to pray for unity. It is closely connected with Jesus and his saving work. Elizabeth's praise of Mary as "the mother of my Lord" can be viewed as the earliest Church's devotion to Mary. As with all authentic devotion to Mary, Elizabeth's (the Church's) words first praise God for what God has done to Mary. Only 2<sup>nd</sup> does she praise Mary for trusting God's words. Then comes the Magnificat where Mary herself (like the Church) traces all her greatness to God.

Thursday, June 1, St. Justin Martyr, converted to Christianity after years of studying various pagan philosophies as he found that the Christian religion answered the great questions about life and existence better than the philosophers. He was a great apologist, one who defends in writing the Christian religion against the attacks and misunderstandings of the pagans. For his staunch adherence to the Christian religion, Justin was beheaded in Rome in 165.

Friday, June 2, Sts. Marcellinius & Peter, Marcellinus was a priest and Peter was an exorcist. Venerated by the early church they were imprisoned and then beheaded during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian. According to ancient accounts they saw their imprisonment as an opportunity to evangelize and managed to convert their jailer and his family.

Saturday, June 3, Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions. Charles was born in Uganda in the last half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. He and other young men were required to work for evil King Mwanga who treated all people harshly, especially the boys who worked for him. Charles and his friends became followers of Jesus Christ due to the work of the Society of Missionaries of Africa who tried to keep the boys safe from the king. King Mwanga launched persecutions of Christians in response to their opposition to his homosexual and corrupt court. In anger he ordered Charles and his friends put into prison and killed in 1886. They were forced to walk 37 miles to the place where they were burned to death

#### THE MEANING OF THE ASCENSION

What is the meaning of Christ's "ascension into heaven"?

It expresses our belief that in Christ, human nature, the humanity in which we all share, has entered into the inner life of God in a new and hitherto unheard of way. It means that man has found an everlasting place in God.

Heaven is not a place beyond the stars, but something much greater, something that requires far more audacity to assert: Heaven means that man now has a place in God. The basis for this assertion is the interpenetration of humanity and divinity in the crucified and exalted man Jesus. Christ, the man who is in God and eternally one with God, is at the same time God's abiding openness to all human beings.

Thus Jesus himself is what we call "heaven"; heaven is not a place but a person, the person of him in whom God and man are forever and inseparably one. And we go to heaven and enter into heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him. In this sense, "ascension into heaven" can be something that takes place in our everyday lives...

For the disciples, the "ascension" was not what we usually misinterpret it as being: the temporary absence of Christ from the world. It meant rather his new, definitive, and irrevocable presence by participation in God's royal power... God has a place for man!... In God there is a place for us!..."Be consoled, flesh and blood, for in Christ you have taken possession of heaven and of God's kingdom!" (Tertullian). 
~from Pope Benedict XVI.

"The Meaning of the Ascension." www.catholiceducation.org

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> Next ShareLife Sunday is June 4, 2017 Please give generously.

#### RECYCLE YOUR ELECTRONICS & CLOTHING DRIVE



Do you have old TV's, printers, computers home phones, home and car radios, videos recorders etc.? St. Joseph is partnering with

Ontario Electronic Stewardship and holding a Recycle Drive the weekend of June 24/25. In addition to electronics they will Clothing Drive collect clothing for the Ontario Federation of Cerebral Palsy. The parish drive will be after the weekend Masses. A Neighborhood drive for

homes (non-parishioners) and businesses will be on Saturday afternoon of June 24 from noon to 4 pm.

There will be trucks in the church parking lot with volunteers that will take the donations. Only the approved electronic donations will be accepted. Please see the flyers posted in the entrances for a list of approved items. Please let your friends, neighbors and businesses know about this drive. Proceeds from the electronics will be given to the ShareLife campaign and will thereby help many!









Proceeds will benefit ShareLife-funded social service agencies. Shotgun Start 12:30 pm at Markland Wood Golf Club, Etobicoke. More info at www.sharelife.org/golf or call Lysle Kintanar at 416-934-34 - ext 526

#### ST. DUNSTAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLOSING EVENTS



On Thursday June 15, 2017, St. Dunstan Elementary School invites you to participate in school closing events. St. Dunstan School opened in September 1993 after many years of effort on the part of former parishioner

and trustee Art Steffler. To celebrate 24 extraordinary years of Catholic education in this community, there will be a Mass at St. Joseph Church at 6:00 pm. Following the Mass, you are welcome to attend an Open House at the school from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Please join the staff, students, and community in saying a fond farewell to our beloved St. Dunstan School.

#### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP



ay, May 26 to Saturday, June 3 - in Church at 6.30pm

#### FEAST OF PENTECOST – Wednesday June 7 - 7 pm

Praise and Worship, Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration with Special Prayers Preacher and Mass Celebrant: Rev.Fr. Matthias Amuzu Come and join us: We need the Holy Spirit to lead us to Jesus. We need the Holy Spirit to be more and more 'of Christ'.

"Let us implore from God the grace of a new Pentecost for the Church... May tongues of fire, combining burning love of God and neighbor with zeal for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, descend on all present!" (Pope Benedict XVI, Homily at St. Patrick's Cathedral, April 19, 2008).

#### YOUTH SACRAMENTAL CALENDAR

#### Sacrament of First Holy Communion 2017 Schedule



St. Barbara St. Dunstan Saturday May 27, at 2:00 pm Sunday May 28, at 3:00 pm

#### **ROAD DELAYS ON JUNE 4**

THE BREAD AND HONEY ROAD RACE on June 4, will cause road closures/restrictions that may affect Church goers to the Sunday morning 8 am and 9:30 am Masses. Queen St. S. will be closed between Britannia Road to Erin Centre Blvd between 7 am and 10:30 am. (Northbound lanes will re-open at 8:30 am).

In addition along the route will be restricted access to streets from 7 am to 10:30 am as follows: - EXPECT DELAYS

Erin Mills Parkway – Britannia Road to Eglinton Avenue **Eglinton Avenue** – Erin Mills Pkwy to Creditview Road Creditview Road - Eglinton Avenue to Brittania Road **Britannia Road** – Creditview Road to Erin Mills Parkway This annual event encourages running and promotes healthy living in Mississauga and to raises money for local charities.

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#### LEGION OF MARY - RETREAT

The Legion of Mary invites all to "Mary the Mother of the Church" with Fr. Neiman D'Souza on Saturday, June 10th, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm in our church hall.

See the bulletin boards for more information.

To register, please email: stjosephlegionofmary@yahoo.ca.

#### CWL - FATHER'S DAY TREAT SALE



On June 11th - for Father's Day – June 18th the ladies will again be selling Dad's Root beer & Candy Kebobs to raise money for ShareLife and other charities they help to fund.



#### **DONATIONS FOR EGYPTIAN CHRISTIANS**

Anba Abraam Coptic Charity are looking for donations of gently used clothes, shoes, bedding, toys and kitchen wares for Christians suffering from persecution in Egypt. Contact Wafa at 1-514-965-2581 to arrange drop off to their nearby warehouse.



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