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**The Sacrament of Confirmation**

will be celebrated on Friday, May 8 starting at 7 PM  
at Merciful Redeemer Church  
for Grade 8 Students of St. Edith Stein School  
with His Excellency Most Rev. John Boissonneau, D.D.

**CAMP VICTORY**

The youth camp is scheduled on May 9-10, 2015 at Blue Springs Scout Reserve (14045 6th Line Nassagaweya, Milton ON)

The camp aims to provide an experience for the young people to know Jesus Christ in a personal way, build lasting friendships, and discover how each individual is destined for greatness! A Parent's Orientation will be held on April 25 at St. Peter's Church (Ninth Line) starting at 1:30 PM

Register your children for  
*Vacation Bible School*  
Venue: *St. Edith Stein School*  
July 6-10



*First Communion for students at St. Simon Stock School*  
Saturday, 10:30 AM, May 9, 2015 Merciful Redeemer Church

**Humanitarian Relief - Nepal Earthquake**

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the catastrophic effects of a serious earthquake on April 24. Our official press release is attached for reference purposes.

The earthquake, measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale, and aftershocks have devastated huge areas of the country, with more than 4,000 people reported dead, many more injured and thousands of families displaced from their homes. Contributions can be made through our parishes and through the Archdiocese of Toronto online portal at [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org).

Relief workers from the official Catholic relief agency on the ground, Caritas Internationalis, say the victims most need temporary shelter, water, sanitation and hygiene supplies as relief operations gear up. So far, Caritas organizations around the world have pledged \$3.3 million to the relief effort as well as providing 10,000 shelter kits and 3,000 tarps.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

Name of Parish – Nepal Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief

**Mass Intention****Saturday (May 2)**

5:00 +Maria Bun, +Peter & Maria Nguyen

**Sunday (May 3)**

7:30 AM For the Parish Community  
9:00 AM +Jose Barbosa  
11:00 AM +Joe Bautista, Martha Tran, Feliza Ruiz  
12:30 PM Special Intention of Natasha DeSouza

**Monday (May 4)**

7:00 PM Open

**Tuesday (May 5)**

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Maureen Mary & Jose Manego

**Wednesday (May 6)**

7:00 PM Open

**Thursday (May 7)**

7:30 AM Departed family and friends of Edelaído & Joseph Bautista

**Friday (May 8)**

7:00 PM +William Isaac Pereira

**Saturday (May 9)**

9:00 AM For Parish Benefactors and Friends

5:00 PM +Maria Bui, +Peter & Maria Nguyen

To offer a Mass for yourself or your loved one, see Cecilia at the desk or use the form on our parish website.

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**General audience: the dignity of marriage**

Vatican City, 29 April 2015 (VIS) – Following last Wednesday's catechesis on God's original plan for man and woman as a couple, the Pope spoke at today's general audience about marriage, recalling that Jesus' first miracle took place during the wedding at Cana, when He transformed water into wine and thus ensured that the celebrations could take place. "This fact reminds us of Genesis, when God completed His creation with his masterpiece: man and woman", he said. "And Jesus began His miracles with this masterpiece, in marriage. ... Thus Jesus teaches us that the masterpiece of society is the family: the man and the woman who love each other. ... Since that time, many things have changed but that 'sign' of Christ contains a message that remains valid".

"Nowadays it does not seem easy to describe marriage as a celebration that is renewed over time, in the different seasons in the entire life of spouses. It is a fact that fewer people marry. Instead, in many countries the number of separations is increasing, while the number of children is in decline. The difficulty of staying together – both as a couple and as a family – leads to bonds being broken with increasing frequency and rapidity. ... In effect, many young people are led to give up the plan of an irrevocable bond and a lasting family. There is a kind of culture of the provisional: everything is temporary, and it seems that nothing is permanent".

For this reason, the Pope continued, one of the questions we must face nowadays is why young people do not choose to get married, and seem to have little confidence in marriage and in the family. "The difficulties are not only of an economic nature, although these are very important", he observed. "Many people believe that the change that has taken place in recent decades was set in motion by the emancipation of women. But this argument is not valid either. It is an insult, a form of misogyny that seeks to subjugate women. If men behave in this way, we are like Adam, when God asked him who had eaten the fruit of the tree, and he said that the woman gave it to him".

"In reality, almost all men and women would prefer emotional security in the form of a solid marriage and a happy family ... but, for fear of failure, many do not even want to think about it. ... Perhaps it is precisely that fear of failure that is the greatest obstacle to receiving the word of Christ, Who promises His grace to the matrimonial union and to the family". However, "marriage consecrated by God preserves that bond between man and woman that God has blessed ever since the creation of the world; and it is a source of peace and good for all married and family life. For example, in the early times of Christianity, this great dignity of the bond between man and woman defeated an abuse considered to be entirely normal in those times, that is, the right of husbands to repudiate their wives, even for the most specious and humiliating reasons. The Gospel, the Gospel that announces this sacrament, ended this culture of habitual repudiation".

"The Christian seed of radical equality between spouses must bear new fruit today", emphasised the Holy Father. "The witness of the social dignity of marriage will become persuasive, the witness of reciprocity between husband and wife, of complementarity. .. And as Christians we must become more demanding in this respect. For example, in decisively supporting equal pay for equal work: inequality is a scandal. Why is it taken for granted that women should earn less than men? No! They have the same rights. At the same time, the maternity of women and the paternity of men should be recognised as a richness that remains valid, especially for the benefit of children. Equally, the virtue of hospitality in Christian families today retains a crucial importance, especially in situations of poverty, degradation and domestic violence".

"Do not be afraid of inviting Jesus to the wedding celebrations! And also His Mother Mary!" exclaimed Pope Francis. "Christians, when they marry 'in the Lord', are transformed into an effective sign of God's love. Christians do not marry only for themselves: they marry in the Lord in favour of all the community, of society as a whole".

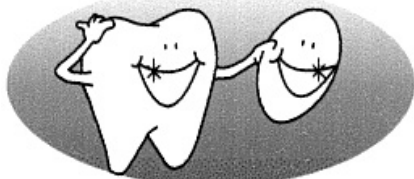
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Offertory	\$ 3,057.34
Building Fund	\$ 1,364.25
St. Peter's	\$ 368.35
Confirmation	\$ 1,148.35
Wednesday	\$ 140.25
ShareLife	\$ 150.00
Stipend	\$ 190.00
Frames	\$ 190.00
First Communion	\$ 1,428.70
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*— Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto*

*Today is the Third ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity. Together we can work wonders!*



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