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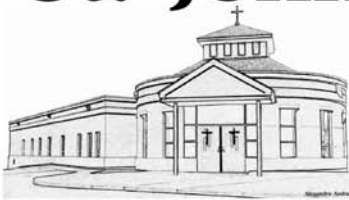
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**SUNDAY MASSES**  
 Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
 Monday through Saturday: 9:00 a.m.  
**First Friday:** 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.  
 (Mass followed by Adoration)

**PASTORAL TEAM**

Fr. Joseph Kalluvila, O. Carm., Pastor	Tel/Voice Mail Ext 228
Fr. Felix Antony, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor	224
Fr. Sebastian Joseph, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor	223
Rev. Mr. John Cannon, Deacon	222
Sr. Ria T. Agostura, MSCS, Pastoral Associate	226

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Mar 27	Isaiah 65.17-21; John 4.43-54
Tues	Mar 28	Ezekiel 47.1-9,12; John 5.1-16
Wed	Mar 29	Isaiah 49.8-15; John 5.16-30
Thurs	Mar 30	Exodus 32.7-14; John 5.18,31-47
Fri	Mar 31	Wisdom 2.1,12-22; John 7.1-2,10,25-30
Sat	Apr 01	Jeremiah 11.18-20; John 7.40-53
Sun	Apr 02	Ezekiel 37.12-14; Romans 8.8.11; John 11.1-45

## CHURCH

Sun	Mar 26	Youth Practice 5 – 7:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 28	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 29	Band Practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 30	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Fri	Mar 31	Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. St. John Family Choir 9 – 10:00 p.m.

## BOARDROOM

Wed	Mar 29	RCIA 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Sat	Apr 01	CVITP 9:00 a.m. - Noon

## SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Mar 27	RCIA 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 28	Rosary Apostolate 9:30 a.m. - noon
Wed	Mar 29	Prime Time Crafts 1 – 4:00 p.m. Bereavement Meeting 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 30	Pilgrim meeting 7 – 9:00 p.m.

## NESSINGER HALL

Sun	Mar 26	Youth Group 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 29	C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. New Beginnings 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 30	Prime Time Dancing 1 – 2:30 p.m.
Sat	Apr 01	Lay Carmelites 8:00 a.m. - Noon

**Holy Thursday – Request!**  
 An important part of the Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper is the washing of feet, which reminds us that we are called by Jesus to serve each other as He served his disciples.  
 If you would like to have your feet washed as part of this service, please call Sr. Ria at the parish office 905 821-1331 ext. 226

Do you want to Fast this Lent ? Perhaps in the words of wisdom of Pope Francis ... may we learn to practice.....Fast from hurting words and say kind words. Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. Fast from anger and be filled with patience. Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. Fast from worries and have trust in God. Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity. Fast from pressure and be prayerful. Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy. Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others. Fast from grudges and be reconciled. Fast from words and be silent so you can listen. **Perhaps you've been wondering a different approach to Fasting during Lent.** To some Fasts have a tendency to be oriented toward things like giving up food, TV, texting, ball games ... chocolates . Perhaps you've been wondering to engage to some creative ways to express our soulfulness and kind-hearted routine. You may consider some suggestions. Fast from anger and hatred, instead give the people dearest to you , your love each day. Fast from judging others. Remember what it might be like to walk in their feet. Fast from discouragement, but hold onto the promise that there is hope. Fast from complaining, instead recall the gifts of grace you have received and share with the less fortunate. Fast from resentment and bitterness, but try to work on forgiving those who hurt you. Fast from spending too much money, instead reduce your spending and share to charity. **Perhaps,we can give Peace a chance!!!**



## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT

Monday through to Saturday at 9:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday at 7:00 pm  
*followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help*  
**Friday at 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross**  
*followed by Mass*

**2016 PARISH DONATION RECEIPTS**  
 are now available for pick-up in the hallway.

**BOOK OF ELECT**

Rite of Election typically happens on the 1<sup>st</sup> week of Lent, on which the elect, those who have never been baptized, signed their names on the “Book of Elect.” It is a formal record of the names of all those from the parish who have been elected for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist this coming Easter. Signing the Book of Elect is a public affirmation of one’s commitment to persevere in joining the Church and the lifelong perseverance of living the Christian Life. For those who are already baptized and are preparing for full communion into our Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist are known as Candidates. We request your continued support and prayers for the elect and candidates during this season of Lent. Merci!



**CONFESSIONS AT NEIGHBOURING CHURCHES**

March 28	St. Joseph’s	7:00 pm
March 29	Merciful Redeemer	7:00 pm
March 30	St. Martin of Tours	7:00 pm
April 3	St. John of the Cross	7:00 pm
April 4	St. Francis of Assisi	7:00 pm
April 6	St. Francis Xavier	7:00 pm

**ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY**

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**REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Source of Light

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.”

What are you doing in your life right now to move toward light rather than darkness?



Fourth Sunday of Lent: March 26, 2017 –

“Living the Gospel” locally and around the world...

How do we “Live the Gospel” toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it is volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Our annual appeal provides resources to 42 agencies, bringing much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, consider your ability to “Live the Gospel” by helping those who are vulnerable and in need, and make a contribution to ShareLife.

**Next Sunday April 2, 2017 is ShareLife Sunday  
Please give generously.**

**Ministry to the Bereaved**

The ministry is intended to offer spiritual support and the healing comfort of God to all who mourn a loss through death. Support is offered in a group setting.

Our ministers journey with the person through their grief, offering consolation and compassion as wounded healers. This ministry is offered to all who feel ready to take this step in their journey of grief. 6-week

We ask that the person who wishes to begin this program, contact Muriel Haney directly.

Please pass on the word and let us be a parish of compassion and consolation, reaching out to those who suffer alone.

Contact the parish office 905 821-1331 or  
Muriel Haney 905 507-1581

**PRIME TIME CLUB – (A Social group for those over 50)**

New members always welcome - \$10 per year

Regular activities include a monthly dinner in Nessinger Hall and a local restaurant outing.

Craft Group - Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Line Dancing - Thursdays at 1:00 pm

For membership - Julienne-Anne Rodrigues 905 670 0020

For Crafts - Barb Reinhart 905 819 9099

For other activities – Mary Wong 905 824 8537



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**Parish Library News**

The Parish Library will be open on Saturday, April 1st before and after the 5 p.m. mass and on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, before and after the 10 a.m. and Noon Masses. The Library is located in the bookshelves outside of Nessinger Hall. We have books for children, teens and adults. This is a **FREE** service to all registered parishioners and the loan is for one month. Please drop by and have a look! Please return any books at these times or drop them off in the office at the Reception desk.

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

“We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day.” Are you being called to a life as an ordained or consecrated person? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416- 968-0997. Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)**

**ARCHDIOCESE DAY OF CONFESSION**

Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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