# **BLESSED TRINITY PARISH**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon Thu.	9:00 a.m 7:00 p.m.
Friday:	9:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.
Saturday:	3:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m 1:30 p.m.
Saturday:	3:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday:9:45 - 10:30 a.m.4:00 - 4:30 p.m.Sunday:6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

#### BAPTISM

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 2:00 p.m. by appointment.

#### MARRIAGE

Please contact the rectory one Year in advance of desired date.

#### WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil	Mass:	4:30 p.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	12:15 p.m.	7:00 p.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday:	8:00 a.m.
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.

#### ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT First Friday of the month

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**NOVENA - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX** Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

#### VOCATIONS Fr. Hansoo Park, Director Vocations 416-968-0997 www.serrahouse.ca www.vocations.ca

#### **OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

#### Elementary Schools

Blessed Trinity School	416-393-5289
St. Agnes School	416-393-5345

#### **Secondary Schools**

St. Joseph's Morrow Park	416-393-5516
Brebeuf College School	416-393-5508



Monday, April 19 Special Intention	8:00 am
<u>Tuesday, April 20</u> Harrison Fahey (Deceased) Requested by Ileen & Frank Kennedy	8:00 am
<u>Wednesday, April 21</u> Jean Leonard (Special Intention) <i>Requested by Marga</i>	8:00 am
<u>Thursday, April 22</u> Joseph Haksoon Song (Deceased) <i>Requested by the Shin family</i>	8:00 am
<u>Friday, April 23</u> Powyin Fong (Deceased) <i>Requested by Maria</i>	8:00 am
<u>Saturday, April 24</u> Beverly Nicholson (Deceased) <i>Requested by her daughter</i>	9:00 am

# Congratulations Prayers and best wishes to those who have

received the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil this year. May I offer a special note of appreciation to Fr. Eric, all the Catechists and the sponsors who guided our candidates on Wednesday evenings through the year.

#### Initiated into the Roman Catholic Church

Azam Mary Sheibani Aghdam, Ryan Hia Ga Trang, Ernest Francis Tsang, Annie Tse, Linda Tseu, Tony Muyun Wu, Philip Youk

Received into Full Communion of the Church and Confirmation Cecilia Chow, Paul Dean

#### **Confirmation**

Josef Alvarez, Juanita-Marie Theresa Casselman, Febiana Lourdes Moreno Esposito, Alex Noel, Rowland Francis Onyekachukwu Iheme-Okereke, Leandra Dominic Pereira, Sean Sunil Pereira, Peter Christopher Scopazzi

May the Holy Spirit continue to work in their hearts as He has inspired them over the year.

(Rev. Msgr.) Ambrose E. Sheehy, C.H.H.

**Spring Food Drive** Please help feed the hungry and homeless this spring. Make a difference in the lives of those most in need within our community by participating in our Blessed Trinity Food Drive in support of the Good Shepherd Centre. Please bring non-perishable food items to the parish hall on *April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>*.



#### **First Communion**

The students from our schools will be receiving their First Communion with their parents at the 10:30 am and 12:15 pm Masses on the following dates:

St. Agnes School, Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> Blessed Trinity School, Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday Class, Community and Private schools, Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

We pray that they may always be close to Our Lord.



#### **Confirmation**

The students from Blessed Trinity School, St. Agnes School and Saturday class,

community and private schools will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on *Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.* 

Confirmation Retreat: *Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>* Confirmation Rehearsal: *Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>* 7:30 pm



The next regular meeting will be held on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm in the St.

*Joseph's Room.* All young adults between 18 to 40 years old are invited.



#### Catholic Women's League Annual Geranium Sale

Spring is here; time to garden!

4" pots – red, pink, salmon, fuchsia, white – \$2.75 or \$35/Flat of 15

Hanging baskets - red, lavender, fuchsia, pink - \$16.00

Reserve in person in the foyer after Mass or by phone: Louise 416-733-3946 or Velma 416-226-0590. (deadline for orders: April 27<sup>th</sup>)

Please pick up your order in the parish hall on: Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm or Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Just in time for Mothers' Day!



#### **Knights of Columbus**

General Meeting: Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

**<u>Fraternity Breakfast</u>**: Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Pickle Barrel after the 9:00 am Mass.

Executive Meeting: Monday, May 3rd at 7:30 pm

General Meeting: Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm



The wonders of tomorrow...

People under the age of 19 represent approximately 20 per cent of our population. Statistics suggest more and more youth experience

poverty, unemployment, and domestic crisis every year. ShareLife agencies provided food, shelter, guidance, care and counseling to more than 10,000 young people last year in the GTA. These young lives represent the future of our society. It is incumbent on us to nurture them, protect them, and prepare them to work the wonders of tomorrow. Help us reach out to our youth in crisis. Please support ShareLife.

**Next Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, is the 2<sup>nd</sup> ShareLife collection.** Please give generously. Each gift makes a meaningful impact in the lives of the marginalized and needy within our midst. You can work **WONDERS!** 



May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Bundle Up Collection The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

will be collecting gently used clothing and household linens to support the needy and our on the weekend of May 1 and 2

residential programs, on the weekend of May 1 and 2. Please bring your donations to the truck in the church parking lot before and after all Masses that weekend; please tie all bags.

#### Northmount Independent Catholic Boys Elementary School (JK – 8)

100% EQAO (Advanced Math/Sciences, Enriched Curriculum, Nationally Recognized Athletics, 1:1 Advisory and Character Education Program, Dynamic Fine Arts)

Special Public Showcase Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00 am – Noon Science: Robotics Competition

#### An Interlude of Song – A Concert for Rosalie Hall

St. Gabriel Catholic Church presents a mix of classic and contemporary music performed by John De Pinto on **Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 pm.** Tickets are \$10 and all proceeds will benefit the women and babies of Rosalie Hall. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the church office (670 Sheppard Ave. E.) or at the door on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Special Meeting with the Archbishop of Malta

Come and meet a special friend of children and young people! St. Paul the Apostle Church, Maltese-Canadian Parish, located at 3224 Dundas Street West in Toronto, is calling children and young people, especially those of Maltese origin, for a special meeting with the Archbishop of Malta H.G. Msgr. Paul Cremona OP on *Saturday, May* 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm in the parish hall.

Please call 416-767-7054 for further information.



#### **The Year For Priests**

"...... Calling of Peter, as we read in the Evangelist John, occurred through the witness of his brother Andrew, who, after meeting the Master and accepting his invitation to stay with him, felt the need to share immediately with Peter what he discovered by "staying" with the Lord: "We have

found the Messiah (which means Christ). He then brought him to Jesus" (Jn 1:41-42). This was also the case for Nathanael, Bartholomew, thanks to the witness of yet another disciple, Philip, who joyfully told him of his great discovery: "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph" (Jn 1:45). God's free and gracious initiative encounters and challenges the human responsibility of all those who accept his invitation to become, through their own witness, the instruments of his divine call. This occurs in the Church even today: the Lord makes use of the witness of priests who are faithful to their mission in order to awaken new priestly and religious vocations for the service of the People of God.

......A fundamental element, one which can be seen in every vocation to the priesthood and the consecrated life, is friendship with Christ. Jesus lived in constant union with the Father and this is what made the disciples eager to have the same experience; from him they learned to live in communion and unceasing dialogue with God. If the priest is a "man of God", one who belongs to God and helps others to know and love him, he cannot fail to cultivate a deep intimacy with God, abiding in his love and making space to hear his Word. Prayer is the first form of witness which awakens vocations. Like the Apostle Andrew, who tells his brother that he has come to know the Master, so too anyone who wants to be a disciple and witness of Christ must have "seen" him personally, come to know him, and learned to love him and to abide with him.

.....Jesus showed that the mark of those who wish to be his disciples is profound communion in love: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn 13:35). In a particular way the priest must be a man of communion, open to all, capable of gathering into one the pilgrim flock which the goodness of the Lord has entrusted to him, helping to overcome divisions, to heal rifts, to settle conflicts and misunderstandings, and to forgive offences. If young people see priests who appear distant and sad, they will hardly feel encouraged to follow their example. They will remain hesitant if they are led to think that this is the life of a priest. Instead, they need to see the example of a communion of life which can reveal to them the beauty of being a priest. Only then will a young man say, "Yes, this could be my future; I can live like this".

Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

