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OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m 7:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.
3:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.
9:00 a.m 1:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: Sunday:

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

BAPTISM

Last Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. by appointment.

MARRIAGE

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

WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigi	Mass:	4:30 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	12:15 p.m.	7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday:	8:00
Saturday:	9:00

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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, September 23 ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (Padre Pio), Priest Special Intention

<u>Tuesday, September 24</u> Mr. May-Sang Soong (Deceased) *Requested by the family*

<u>Wednesday, September 25</u>8:00 am John Jong-Seo 10th anniversary (Deceased) *Requested by the O family*

Thursday, September 26 ST. JOHN DE BRÉBEUF & ST. ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS Mauricio Perez (Deceased) Requested by Monica Hlebanja

Friday, September 278:00 amST. VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIESTDeceased members of the Hayden familyRequested by the family

<u>Saturday, September 28</u> Mr. & Mrs. Marchie (Deceased) Requested by the Marchie family 9:00 am

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Revised Hours for Reconciliation

Please note the adjustment of the times for the Sacrament of Penance. We have had to take into account the necessity of indicating the time when <u>the priest will leave</u> <u>the confessional room</u>. Also, the supreme importance of participating fully in the Mass on weekends must be respected. Beginning on <u>Saturday, September 21st and</u> <u>Sunday, September 22nd</u> we shall begin the revised schedule.

Saturdays	morning	9:40 am – 10:30 am
	afternoon	3:45 pm – 4:25 pm
Sundays	evening	6:15 pm – 7:00 pm



Knights of Columbus

Italian Night – Dinner/Dance Saturday, September 28, 2013

Tickets (\$40 per person) will be available in the church foyer this weekend after the Masses and you are encouraged to purchase them early. There will be fine Italian cuisine and a DJ to provide excellent dance music for all ages in the parish hall. Proceeds are given to charities supported by the Knights of Columbus.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

We shall be initiating a program for children of Blessed Trinity Parish, which has been extremely relevant and helpful to the children of our time. It will operate within our own parish structure. It requires some explaining as to how we begin and what it means for the parish. Its effectiveness is beyond question. We shall be utilizing the St. Joseph Room for this endeavour. Next Sunday, September 22nd after the Sunday morning Masses, Kathleen Enniss from the Archdiocesan CGS Office will be here to invite your questions and assistance. I am greatly encouraged by Brigitte Adams and Mary Rose Bacami who have shown great support as parishioners of our parish. I hope that many, especially families will come to the parish hall after one of these Masses, so that I may introduce Kathleen and this program to outline what is entailed.

North York Retirees Club - The next meeting will be held on *Tuesday, September 24, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.* in the parish hall. All retirees are cordially invited to attend.

LIFE CHAIN – is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to truth that abortion is a violent destruction of human life. It takes only an hour and all you have to do is stand quietly with others, holding a sign with a simple message. This year Life Chain takes place on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 6, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.</u> At Blessed Trinity, we meet at Bayview and Finch.



Legion of Mary – The Legion of Mary invites parishioners to receive a visit of the **Blessed Lady's statue** to their homes to pray the Rosary. The visitation prayer takes 20 minutes, after which the statue is left with

the family, as they wish, for a week or longer if requested. Welcoming the visit is a beautiful way of celebrating special occasions, such as anniversaries and birthdays, and to ask Mary for very special intentions. Please contact Sarah Fernandes at 416-730-1860 or Sylvia Leaver at 416-226-2744.



Bundle-Up Week-end September 21-22, 2013

Saring of R. Vinceni de Paul

Please bring your gently used clothing and household linen to share with others this

weekend September 21-22. A St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot, so please share what you can with those less fortunate. The Society will donate or sell these donations to support their outreach efforts.

Good Shepherd Refuge - Our <u>frozen</u> pans of **Chili** are due in the parish hall by **next Sunday**. The deadline is always the last Sunday of the month, after the last Mass (7:00 p.m.). We thank all our loyal chili cooks, and invite anyone who is willing to help us feed the hungry to pick up a pan and recipe from the parish office.

"Witnessing in Today's Culture" – On Saturday, September 28th at 9:30 am at St. Francis Xavier Church, 5650 Mavis Road (Mavis & 401), Terry Barber will be speaking on "Witnessing in Today's Culture". Tongue-tied when a protestant questions and challenges the faith? Ever been at a loss when speaking with atheists about your Catholic faith? Don't know what to say when a family member criticizes Church teaching? Terry Barber is co-founder of Lighthouse Catholic Media, founder of St. Joseph Communication and co-hosts on Mother Angelica's EWTN Radio Network. Tickets are \$15. For more information call 905-568-8777 or e-mail liz.rybka@lighthousecatholicmedia.org.



Know Your Faith Series Saturday, October 19, 2013

Mark your Calendars! Know Your Faith Series returns with a special course – "**Be**

TEAR OF FAILHED My Witness" on Saturday mornings, beginning October 19th after the 9:00 am Mass in the parish hall. Reflect on Pope Francis' Letter *"The Light of Faith"*. Discuss what the "New Evangelization" means and learn what Church documents say about it. Watch inspiring DVDs (Dr. Scott Hahn & Dr. Ralph Martin). Consider how to respond to Christ's personal call to <u>YOU</u> in today's culture! See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information or visit <u>www.kolbeapostolate.com</u>.

St. Michael's College School – The Office of Admissions is now considering applications for September 2014. St. Michael's teaches from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Open Houses for interested parents and their sons will be held on the following evenings: *Tuesday, October 22 and Wednesday, October 30, commencing at 7:30 pm and concluding at approximately 9:00 pm.* While St. Michael's is a private school, they offer academic scholarships and financial aid to qualified students. Please register at <u>www.stmichaelscollegeschool.com</u>.

St. Michael's College School is located at 1515 Bathurst Street (at St. Clair Ave. West).



THE YEAR OF FAITH

God chose one tribe as His people, and He their God would be. To know this covenant or contract was the basic key. This tribe called the Israelites, and Moses was their

head. With God's help the tribe fled Egypt and lived on meat and bread.

They were God's people with tents for houses of their own.

God took care of them, although to sin they were still prone. The Old Covenant was going to be replaced by the New. When Jesus as God would come to earth, gathering a few.

Not many believed in Jesus, although He made it clear, that the Old pact was over, and a New Covenant was

near. As the new Moses, this tribe of people would be His own. By baptismal waters they would receive these gifts still unknown.

The Holy Catholic Church is not a building with a roof, but a group of people united in spirit and in truth. This body is the Communion of Saints with heaven to win, belonging to a sinless church, although some members sin.

Jesus is the Founder, the Head, and God the Son. The Church reflects Him like a moon reflects the sun. The Pope succeeds Peter, the bishops in place of apostles. With the help of priests, they shepherd a flock that is colossal.

Mary is our mother, now in heaven with body and soul; we have seven sacraments to help us attain that same goal. What God has given to Mary we can believe is for us too; to be with Mary and the Saints if we are judged to be true.

HOW CAN WE SPEAK ABOUT GOD?

(source: Catechism of the Catholic Church #39-43)

In defending the ability of human reason to know God, the Church is expressing her confidence in the possibility of speaking about him to all men and with all men, and therefore of dialogue with other religions, with philosophy and science, as well as with unbelievers and atheists. Since our knowledge of God is limited, our language about him is equally so. We can name God only by taking creatures as our starting point, and in accordance with our limited human ways of knowing and thinking. All creatures bear a certain resemblance to God, most especially man, created in the image and likeness of God. The manifold perfections of creatures - their truth, their goodness, their beauty all reflect the infinite perfection of God. Consequently we can name God by taking his creatures" perfections as our starting point, "for from the greatness and beauty of created things comes a corresponding perception of their Creator" (Wis. 13:5).

God transcends all creatures. We must therefore continually purify our language of everything in it that is limited, image bound or imperfect, if we are not to confuse our image of God --"the inexpressible, the incomprehensible, the invisible, the ungraspable"-- with our human representations (Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Anaphora). Our human words always fall short of the mystery of God. Admittedly, in speaking about God like this, our language is using human modes of expression; nevertheless it really does attain to God himself, though unable to express him in his infinite simplicity. Likewise, we must recall that "between Creator and creature no similitude can be expressed without implying an even greater dissimilitude" (Lateran Council IV: DS 806); and that "concerning God, we cannot grasp what he is, but only what he is not, and how other beings stand in relation to him" (St. Thomas Aquinas, SCG 1, 30).

