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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Closed for Lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

Friday Office Closed.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Friday 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. (followed by 8:30 a.m. Mass)

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Youth Mass

Sunday 9:00 a.m. (with Children's Liturgy JK, SK, Grade 1 & 2) & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please download the Baptism Information Kit and Registration Form from the parish website, www.stleothegreat.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course. Please call the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

All families attending St. Leo's are requested to register with the parish.

Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church.

LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY PASTORAL VISITATION

If you or someone in your family is in the Oshawa, Whitby or Port Perry Hospitals and would like to have a priest (for serious reasons) visit the person who is sick for Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession or Communion, please note that there is a full-time Catholic Priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether *Father Pius Alejo* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If Father Pius Alejo is not available and there is an emergency requiring a Catholic priest, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286 and when prompted, press "8" and leave your message. Fr. Charles will receive your message (if he is available) and return your call. If there is no emergency but you would like to speak to Fr. Charles, please call the parish office and leave a message with the parish secretary at 905-655-3286 x 101.

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The Town of Whitby if I could make it known to our parishioners **NOT TO PARK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CARSON STREET** as cars may be ticketed by police. We are hopeful that the Town will place signage indicating this currently unmarked parking ordinance.

THE MESSY JOY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

I read this article online by an Anna Carter that offers an interesting take on our response to the promptings, movement and gifts of the Holy Spirit versus our temptation to 'manage' the Holy Spirit. Speaking about the Spirit of God isn't just for Pentecost or Confirmations but every day, every moment of our life. Enjoy. (FrC)



Recently, I finally watched an episode of *Tidying Up with Marie Kondo*. In some ways, it can feel similar to other reality shows featuring people dismantling their hoarding spaces and loading unwanted things in boxes and bins. The homes are actually pretty organized, I noticed.

Things look nice and neat, at least for the TV camera crew. Marie Kondo's KonMari method is fairly simple. Make a giant mess of one area and go through each item at a time. Here's the kicker. Does the item "spark joy"? If not, it's out. All too often, my spiritual life can feel like it's in need of the KonMari method. Here's why.

It's not necessarily that my external or internal spaces aren't organized. If I'm a hoarder, at least I've got the labeled boxes to make sense of it. My problem is that I manage the Holy Spirit. I'd like his help when I need to make a particularly tough decision, or when I'm encountering a person whose emotional life feels outside my scope of experience. But when I'm making a choice about my free time or some of the deeper fears and worries of my own heart? I'd like to handle that on my own, thank you very much. In my experience, God has a tendency to bring the mess before He brings the joy.

How about the rest of you? In our busy lives, perhaps we allot God His portion on Sunday mornings and move on to the next thing come Sunday afternoon. Perhaps we allot

Him space in our bank statements with our weekly or monthly tithe, write our check, and move on. In society, debates course on about religion being a private matter or a public one. In our Church, we don't always do much better. Is the Holy Spirit something only the Charismatic Renewal care about? Do we treat the sacrament of Confirmation as graduation, a clear demarcation line between childhood and maturity ... yet somehow all too often a departure? Have we managed the Holy Spirit? If so, are we open to letting him loose?

The ancient Celtic Christians had a sense of this. They called the Holy Spirit "the wild goose." For me, this image conjures up a few things, like how these birds can get crazy running around in a park, dropping who knows what mess into your walking path. But anyone who's seen a flock take flight over a lake at dawn will know another feeling. Wonder. Awe. Gratitude for the God who makes it all.

The readings this Pentecost Sunday are all about God messing things up to bring us even greater joy. The Gospel tells of the first sending of the Holy Spirit. It's Monday evening after Easter Sunday. The disciples' expectations of Jesus had been utterly upended by the events of the Passion. Now they've heard rumors of Christ's resurrection, but don't yet believe it for certain. They're hiding in fear. Jesus entered into their midst and revealed his wounds, "*show[ing] them his hands and his side.*" In this moment of disbelief transforming into joy and wonder, Jesus "*breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'*"

The first reading tells the story of Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit in power. Just a week or so before, the Apostles had asked Jesus when he was going to restore the earthly kingdom to Israel. Talk about upended expectations! Jesus tells them to wait and to pray for the Holy Spirit. "*And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong, driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.*" Upon this reception, the Apostles break down the doors of the Upper Room and immediately begin telling the passerby of the mighty power of God in Jesus Christ. Eventually, they take this message to the ends of the earth, and even go joyfully to their deaths, knowing the truth of the glory that awaits them.

Breath, life, fire, wind ... these are primordial images. God uses them to remind us of something transcendent, not tame. The Holy Spirit at work in our lives goes beyond our compartments and neatly organized Christianity. For the Hebrews, breath and wind were the same linguistic concept: "*ruah.*" In Genesis 1, *ruah* hovers over the waters in

the chaos before the first day. This Pentecost Sunday, the Holy Spirit wants to stir us up. He wants to hover over our chaos, upend our expectations, and show us a new, transforming joy.

We all have areas of our lives where we've put things in a few boxes and shut the closet door, giving the appearance of order. What if we opened that space to the Holy Spirit? Perhaps the Holy Spirit is coming in boldness, mystery, and power, like with the Apostles at Pentecost. Perhaps the Holy Spirit needs to first be someone we receive intimately, trembling in fear, like the Apostles in John's Gospel. This Pentecost Sunday, let God make a mess of your managed life. Let Him do something new. Let His Spirit spark into flame true joy! (*Anna Carter*)

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord,
by the light of the Holy Spirit
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
In the same Spirit
help us to relish what is right
and always rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

— *Prayer to the Holy Spirit, from "A Book of Prayers"*

St. Gertrude's Parish Marriage Preparation Course

September 6/7th

Friday 6-9pm and Sat. 9am-6pm

Cost per couple \$200.00 includes lunch on Saturday

Please contact the parish office to register.

905-433-0828 or stgertrudeschurch@gmail.com

Marriage Preparation Course

St. John the Evangelist Church

903 Giffard St. Whitby

Tuesdays 7pm – 9 pm

October 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, & 19.

To register for this course, please contact the parish office at 905.668.3676. \$150 per couple.

VOCATION SEEDS

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Listen to what Jesus says: "When the Spirit of Truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth." What is the 'truth' of your life? How can you best serve God? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997, vocations@archtoronto.org, www.vocationstoronto.ca

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, June 18th	8:30 a.m.	+ Armenio Medeiros and all souls in purgatory
Wed, June 19th	7:00 p.m.	+ Joanna Sabala + Luba Snihura
Thur, June 20th	8:30 a.m.	
Fri, June 21st	8:30 a.m.	
Sat, June 22nd	4:30 p.m.	+ Shannon Frank
Sun, June 23rd	9:00 a.m.	+ Shannon Frank
	11:00 a.m.	+ Henry Freve

Living the Gospel by helping homeless youth



On any given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20% of the total homeless population. The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage program at Covenant House is making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. The program matches adolescents with mentors who help them build life skills. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping at-risk youth prepare for life on their own.

Please make a sacrificial gift to ShareLife through your parish or sharelife.org

SVDP

In January, February, March and April of 2019 our Vincentians have made 46 home visits and distributed \$3575 in food vouchers. We spent \$989.60 on the following: a purchase of a second hand dryer, payment of 2 enbridge gas bills, payment of an outstanding car insurance and a Rogers Bill. We also bought a single bed and bed bug cover and arranged delivery from the SVDP Bowmanville Store. A \$20 WalMart card was given to a Mother to purchase Easter chocolates for her children and another was given a gas card. Many of our Neighbours In Need are single mothers who were in abusive home situations and a number of our families have an autistic child. In this time frame we have made referrals to a number of community agencies including: the John Howard Society, Rose of Durham, Bobby Orr School Gowns for Prom, various autistic services, the Saint Vincent de Paul thrift shop in Oshawa and the Health Department. We have been informing parents whose children are eligible for "The Canada Learning Bond" of how to proceed to access it. Recently our Vincentians arranged a pick up and delivery of a table and 4 chairs to a NIN.

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