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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

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> Lectors: Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir Susan McElcheran Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM

12:00 Noon Choir Chris McConnell Rehearsal: Sunday 10:30 AM

> Ushers: Eugene Sziraky

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 7:00 PM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact ext. 221, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit Call the office ext. 221

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 11:30 am

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Monday & Wednesday mornings closed.

Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call Fr. Dan Callahan, ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy 10:00 AM Mass

Sunday School

10:00 AM Mass

Weekly Sacramental Preparation Development and Peace

www.devp.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Meditation Group

Mondays, 7:15 PM

Merry Makers

3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 1

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Matthew2 8:5-11; 13 5:30 pm Ellen O'Toole +

Tuesday, December 2

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72 Luke 10:21-24 5:30 pm The Parish Community

Wednesday, December 3

Isaiah 25:6-10 Psalm 23

Matthew 15:29-37
5:30 pm Stanley Boguski +

Thursday, December 4

Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118 Matthew 7:21,24-275:30 pm Barbara Hrestak +

Friday, December 5

Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 27

Matthew 9:27-31

5:30 pm Karen's Family

Saturday, December 6

Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26 Psalm 147

Matthew 9:35- 10:1, 5, 6-89

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Sunday, December

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Psalm 85 2Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

8:30 am Louis Zizek +

10:00 am Mary & Thomas Blok

12:00 pm John Godikin 7:00 pm Lewis Silva +

Monthly Comparison for: October

Worthly Comparison for October				
Offertory		2013		2014
Envelopes	\$	19,365	\$	18,910
Loose	\$	5,215	\$	4,763
PAG	\$	7,068	\$	6,315
Total	\$	31,647	\$	29,987

Contributions for the Building Maintenance Fund \$2,637.00





Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mission Statement: To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.

The Society was formed in 1833, when Frederic Ozanam and a group of students from the Sorbonne University were challenged to prove their faith in Christ through action, not just words. They accepted the challenge and the society, was formed to work with the desperately poor in Paris. They developed a simple system, where, they went in teams to help the poor in their homes, the streets, in hospitals and in asylums.

This work is continued today worldwide, following the tradition of small working groups, known as conferences. A conference is parish based: such as, St. Joan of Arc Conference. The parish-based Vincentians make up the fundamental unit which enables them to serve those in need through personto-person contact. Emergency assistance is given with food, clothing and furniture managed through a voucher system What do we do?

We assist families in our area with food and clothing vouchers, through the generosity of you, the parishioners who support our poor boxes. Also, when possible, we try to provide furniture when needed. (Our appeals are made through the bulletin). Give Christmas help, giving toys and gift cards collected on St. Nicholas Day along with food vouchers, to families in need of them

We send boys and girls to camp for a week in the summer. This is a fully subsidized programme for boys and girls 5 to 13 yrs. of age. There are about 1,200 attending the camp each summer.

We hold "Bundle Weekends", such as this weekend, to collect gently used items that can be given free of charge to those in need, through the voucher system in our stores. We now have bins instead of trucks as you can see! There are other ministries under the society.

- * The Prison Apostolate and Court Services, "Twinning" with other Conferences councils in Canada and around the world.
- *Residential Programmes: Women's Emergency and Transitional Housing *Residences for men and women who have experienced mental illness and are unable to care for themselves without support.
- * The Society provides transitional accommodation and support for men recently discharged from detox centres and awaiting entry into an addiction treatment programme.
- *Vince Paul Community Homes provide men and women recovering from addiction, with the support and encouragement needed to build a new life. We have 12 homes located in Metro.
- *We have homes that offer residential care and support for 12 men and women who are developmentally handicapped. They live in a loving community, learn basic life skills and share in basic decision-making processes.

Our conference is part of Toronto West Particular Council, some of our members attend their monthly meetings along with other west end conferences. For a long time now, one of our members has been on that executive.

Our main focus is to provide assistance to the less fortunate, of our own community. Thank you for your continued support!

Executive Assistant Rosanne Kelly

Please Pray for:

The Sick: Kathleen Whelan, Darlene Armstrong Fr. Martin Perreira,

Barry

The Deceased; Ruth Ann McAndrews, Frank & Linda Quinteiri and

David Tom

RCIA /Bible Study (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Do you or someone you know have questions about the Catholic Church? Are you they interested in becoming Catholic? If you would like to join the RCIA contact the office or drop in on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm.

Welcome Home Evening

As the holiday season approaches we as a parish want to provide an opportunity for everyone who seeks the Lord to Come Home for Christmas. On Thursday December 11, 2014, 7:30 pm, we will have a special night to gather all who seek the Lord. Wherever you are in your faith journey, our "Welcome Home" evening is designed to help you become acquainted with St. Joan of Arc parish and to hope you can feel at home here to worship and serve the Lord with us.

Our hope is that you will find that being Catholic can help you find true peace, happiness, and purpose in life. Our goal is to provide you with the help you might need to return to the life of the Church. Go ahead, we want you to ask us the tough questions. We want you to know God's love for you. We ask you to be part of our global Catholic family. We invite you to join us in worship, prayer, and fellowship at St. Joan of Arc Parish, Our mission is to live and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and to provide welcome to all. The door is open for you. We are one family – welcome home!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

1) The cold weather is here! We have had a request for a *man's large* size ski jacket! If you have one that about to replace or have already replaced, you may drop it off at the parish office and the St. Vincent de Paul Society will see that this young man receives it right away. Thank you!

2) For the past 51 years our Parish Conference has delivered, on your behalf, gifts and groceries at Christmas time to the less fortunate. You our parishioners have made many Christmas mornings magical. Last year 88 families received gifts and food vouchers. The need is for new, unwrapped toys and \$20.00 (suggested) gift cards for older children. This year paper angels (indicating gender/age) at the back of the Church, are available, to assist in selecting a specific toy. These will be for the requests we have received prior to our collections. Place your gifts in the sleigh on the altar before or after ALL Masses on both November 29/30th and December 6/7th. Also, gifts will be accepted at the Parish Office during office hours. Please take one and attach it to the toy you are donating. We will continue to receive requests until Christmas. All gifts are appreciated

St. Joan of Arc's SVDP Conference

Report for October

Made 17 calls and helped 36 people.

Distributed Food Vouchers in the amount of \$940.00.

Distributed Goodwill Vouchers – in the amount of \$300.00



THIS WEEK

Monday, December 1

7:30 pm Youth Group

Tuesday, December 2

4:30 pm Religious Education 6:15 pm First Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 3

7:30 pm RCIA/bible Study

Thursday, December 4

7:00 pm CFS Marriage Prep

Saturday December 6

10 am Advent Liturgical Retreat

Future Dates to Remember

Sunday, December 14

D & P Fair Trade Sale 3:00 pm Advent Carol Service

Winter Welcome Table

Christmas ornaments for gifts for our clientele are available at the back of the church, as we gear up for a strong and long winter season. Ornaments and gifts should be returned to the church no later than Sunday Dec 21, as we have our Christmas dinner on Dec. 22. Instructions are on backside of ornaments. We thank the parish for their support of our outreach program.



First Sunday of Advent

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