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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
Life Teen Mass—6:30pm
Seasonal Spanish Mass—5:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:00am
Saturdays: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

1/2 hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please contact us one month or more in advance.

MARRIAGE

Please contact us one year in advance for adequate preparation.

HOLY COMMUNION for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841
Marie of the Incarnation—905-775-3492
Mother Teresa—905-778-8653
St. Charles—905-775-6762
St. Jean de Brebeuf—905-775-8460

PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Bereavement Support Group	CWL (Catholic Women's League)
Consolation and Hope	Development and Peace
Life Teen	Knights of Columbus
EDGE Youth Ministry	Seniors Club
Liturgical Ministers	Social Club
New Beginnings	St. Vincent de Paul Society
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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	
Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis	

CULTURAL GROUPS

Divino Espirito Santo
Nossa Senhora De Fatima
Santissima Trindade

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME !

You are invited to register by completing the form at the Parish Office or in the gathering space at the back of the Church. Offering Envelopes are available.

THE LOVE and FEAR of GOD

O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

We pray in the Responsorial Psalm of the Mass, (Ps 62.2) making the liturgical prayer our own. To get ever closer to God Our Lord we must depend on two solid rock foundations which are united and complementary: confidence and respectful reverence; closeness and reverential submission; love and what traditionally is called fear of the Lord. *They are the two arms with which we embrace God* teaches St. Bernard ^{St. Bernard, On consideration, 5:15.} We are attracted to God the Father, full of mercy and goodness, the fullness of all true good. And we fear to do anything to hurt the Lord and move away from Him just as we would be cognizant of what would hurt a person we love here on earth and would be reluctant or "fearful" of doing it. This is why the love and the fear of the Lord are always connected.

In today's Mass we also pray: *Grant us an unfailing respect for your name, and keep us always in your love.* ^{3. Opening Prayer}

We should not forget that the love of God grows stronger the farther we are from mortal sin and the greater the efforts we make to overcome deliberate venial sin. Filial fear turns our affection from sin and keeps the soul on guard against a false and deceptive complacency. The greatest of dangers is perhaps precisely that lack of concern about the sin that has been committed and a thoughtlessness and superficiality which could lead eventually to a total loss of the sense of sin. In such deplorable situations the offence against God is ridiculed, passed off as trivial or otherwise made light of. The most serious aberrations are held to be 'only natural', because the relationship has been broken between the creature and its Creator. The most serious deformations of conscience, and therefore of the essential direction of man, frequently have their origin in the loss of this attitude of sacred reverence for Him who created all things out of nothing.

As we have said, filial fear and love always go together. If we were to reject the filial fear of God, the desire to please Him, the concern not to grieve Him, we would run the risk of altogether neglecting the ascetical struggle and fall into a presumptuous reliance on the goodness of God. On the other hand, if we do not have genuine love then "Fear of the Lord" turns into actual terror of a judicial God ready to condemn at a moment's notice of offence. God wants us to love Him as He loves us and has given everything to be with us. Without this love our faith makes no sense. It is only our love that Jesus came to us, taught us, died for us, and after His resurrection continues to walk with us. If one is motivated only by fear, one cuts oneself off from the great and merciful love of God our Father, from childlike simplicity and trustful abandonment. These attitudes are essential for a soul aspiring to holiness.

Interior life grows in sensitivity and depth if we keep continually before us those truths that reveal to us the foundations of this gift of the Holy Spirit: God's holiness. We shall understand better the mystery of love if above all we develop the habit of considering frequently the Passion of our Lord. When we contemplate the suffering that Christ endured for our sins, the countless sins of all the world, our hope will be strengthened and our contrition intensified, and we shall have a firmer resolve to avoid every deliberate fault and rejoice in God's compassion and love. The holy fear of God joined to love gives a special strength to the Christian's life. With it, nothing can make us tremble, for nothing can then separate us from the love of God. ^{Cf. Rom 8:34-39} The soul is consolidated in the virtue of hope and set free from both a false and careless security and from a scrupulous spirit.

Weekly Collection

Offertory Donation was \$ 7,033.00

Our Weekly Goal is \$6,000.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

OF IMPORTANT INTEREST

We would like to thank Donna Blay and Mary Artymko for the hard work of preparing and sewing the cassock and surplice for the altar servers. A job very well done. Thanks again!

PLEASE NOTE :

On Wed June 23rd the evening Mass will also be shared with the graduation of Mother Teresa and St. Charles Schools.

Important Notice Regarding Cemetery Plot Sales

Please notice that legislation to enact the harmonized sales tax (HST) has been passed by the Governments of Ontario. As we currently understand the legislation it will apply to cemetery plots and services as well at a rate of 13%. The Province of Ontario has agreed to implement the HST, beginning July 1st, 2010. Cemetery plots prices will increase to include the new sales tax on that day.

If you are planning to buy a plot in our cemetery, now is the time. Please contact the Parish Office for more information and ask for Delia.

COFFEE SUNDAY

The Ministry for Development and Peace will be hosting a Coffee House this Sunday after all morning masses in the church hall. Please join us for some free refreshments and fellowship. Fair Trade products will be available for sale. Note: the next sale of Fair Trade products will be in the Fall so stock up now for Summer!

The Development and Peace Group is looking for new members and volunteers. Group members help plan and coordinate Coffee Sundays and other activities that promote social justice according to Catholic Social Teaching. Volunteers assist with setting up Coffee Sundays and other events. Youth are a huge asset to our group, providing fresh ideas and vital energy. Members and volunteers of all ages are welcome to join! Please talk to us at the Coffee House or contact the parish office if you are interested.

CWL FATHER'S DAY BAKE SALE

Sunday, June 20th, after each Morning Mass in the Parish Hall. Donations accepted prior to each Mass or drop off at Tina's (905-775-4386) or Mae's (905-775-7063) before that Sunday.

All Members of the parish are welcome to donate and purchase "goodies".

Quote For the Week

The ordinary acts we practice every day at home are of more importance to the Soul than their simplicity might suggest!

St. Thomas More – June 22nd

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, June 19th

+ **Henry England** by Wismayer Family
 + **Fernando Gomes** by Wife & Children
 + **Antonio Francisco, Gloria Mendes & Jose Freire** by Wife & Children
 + **Ferene, Janos, Gesa, Kalmon Szabo** by Ilona Szabo
 + **Jose, Maria, Luis, & Irene Ferreira** by Maria Fernandes
 + **Manuel Oliveira** by Family
 + **John & Susan Gasko** by Mom & Family

Sunday, June 20th

8:30am + **Francisco Rodrigues** by Wife Ester Barros
10:00am * **Alfie Bova** by Children – Dian, Phil, Patty, Mandy
11:30am + **Cecilia Santos** by Helen & Ed Gres
5:00pm + **Spanish Mass**
6:30pm + **Pro Populo**

7:00pm Monday, June 21st

+ **Guiseppe Beninati** by Wife Francesca
 + **John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira
 + **Maria & Luis Borges** by Maria Da Silva
 + **Maria Da Silva** by Luis Da Silva & Family
 + **Maria De Lurdes Dinis** by Dinis Family

8:00am Tuesday, June 22nd

+ **All Souls** by Maria Da Silva

7:00pm Wednesday, June 23rd

Special Intentions – School Graduation – Mother Teresa and St. Charles Schools

8:00am Thursday, June 24th

Special Intentions for Giulio & Maria Di Fonzo
6:30pm Special Intentions – School Graduation – Mother Teresa and Marie of the Incarnation Schools

7:00pm Friday, June 25th

+ **Ignazio Polizzi** by Wife

9:15am Saturday, June 26th

Special Intentions by Maria Da Silva

5:00pm Saturday, June 26th

+ **Laurentina & Manuel Neto** by Joaquim Neto
 + **Antonio Ferreira** by Paulina Ferreira
 + **Manual Ferraz** by Wife & Family
 + **Paula Gucciardo** by Sarafina Ingoglia
 + **All Souls**
 + **Manuel Fesk & Maria Amtao Pereira** by Carlos & Idalina Correia

Special Intentions – Luis de Jesus by his Parents

Special Intentions – Santos Family by Dave & Laura Macdonell

Sunday, June 27th

8:30am + **Manual Dias** by Wife & Children
10:00am + **Al Joao Gomes Faria Jr.** by Wife & Family
11:30am + **Joao Laranjeiro** by Wife & Children
5:00pm **Spanish Mass**
6:30pm **Pro Populo**

“May God Grant Them Eternal Peace”

FATHER'S DAY BLESSING

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect.
 Grant this though Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday to Sunday

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

Sun Jun 20th – Coffee Sunday after each morning Mass
 Sun Jun 20th – CWL Bake Sale after each morning Mass
 Sun Jun 20th – 3:30pm – El Sembrador – English Classes
 Mon Jun 21st – 7:30pm – RCIA
 Mon Jun 21st – 8:00pm – St. Vincent de Paul meeting
 Tue Jun 22nd – 7:00pm – RCIA (Inquiry)
 Wed Jun 23rd – 8:00pm – Al-Anon
 Wed June 23rd – Mother Teresa Graduation after Mass
 Thu June 24th – St. Jean de Brebeuf Graduation after Mass
 Sun June 27th – 3:30pm – El Sembrador – English Classes



Sunday, June 20th

Baseball Day – Blue Jay game in Toronto at Rogers Center
Buy 3 tickets at \$20.00 each and Dad comes free for Father's Day.

and

After Youth Mass, “Dads vs Teens” baseball tournament. For further details, contact Ray at office.

Monday, June 21st

End of Year BBQ - Parents & families are invited to join us and bring a favorite BBQ dish. We will provide hot dogs and hamburgers.

MARYGROVE CAMP AND CAMP OZANAM

Marygrove camp is a residential camp for girls, ages 5 – 13, whose families are experiencing financial or domestic hardship. Situated on beautiful Georgian Bay, Marygrove camp provides an eight day camp experience for girls who might otherwise not get such an opportunity. The camp experience for each girl is fully subsidized by the St. Vincent de Paul Society through the generous support from parishioners throughout the Archdiocese. Please leave your contact information with the church office if you are interested in registration. You can find more information on the website. www.svdptoronto.org.

Camp OZANAM is the summer camp for boys located at the Scouts Canada Woodland Trails site in Stouffville, ON. The camp is for boys ages 7 – 12 and operates four sessions during the month of August 2010. The Society receives funding from Catholic charities to operate camp OZANAM. Please leave your contact information with the church office if you are interested in registration.

CLIMB ABOARD for the Voyage of a Lifetime!!!

Vacation Bible School

Date: Monday July 26th to Friday July 30th

Place: Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall

Cost \$25.00 per child

Kids go on a vast voyage through God's Word as they participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience electrifying Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's Word, and create Bible Point crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes at The Floating Finale – a celebrations that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned.

High Seas Expedition is for kids from JK to grade 7 and will run from 9:00am to noon (12:00pm) each day. For more information, please contact: VBS Co-ordinator – Rosa Severino at 905-775-5936 or Delia at 905-775-2065 for registration forms.

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