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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am

Life Teen Mass—6:30pm

Spanish Mass—4:45pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays—7:00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays—8:30am

Saturdays: 9:30am

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.

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Life Teen

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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.

A LENTEN RETREAT FOR THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Lent: The Samaritan woman, like many, wants happiness and fulfilment in her life and her search before she met Christ to be married five times and now to be living with a sixth man. Does the Lord Jesus condemn her? In one sense, yes. He clearly places the truth before her and in one sense, no, He thirsts for her faith, He elicits it. "I came into the world, not to condemn the world, but in order that the world be saved". (Jn 3:17) She too is valuable to Christ and worthy of His love. From this encounter we learn two valuable lessons. The first is that there is no life that can't be redeemed by His love. We also learn that true happiness, that can quench our thirst and bestill our searching hearts, cannot be found in the things of this world or the people of this world. We seek for a joy that is eternal, we seek for our 'happily ever after', we seek for love itself, for God.

Monday (2 Kings 5:1-15)
Nathan was searching for you Lord is the extra ordinary. He wanted to prove himself worthy of a miracle, yet Lord you are always here close at hand, not far away. In communion, in confession, in a blessing, in prayer.

Tuesday (Lk 1: 26-38)
Today we take some time to remember the Annunciation. Of the words spoken by the Archangel St. Gabriel to Mary that she would bear the Christ Child. In fact we have the date of Christmas, December 25, because we simply wanted 9 months from today. The Annunciation is always in Lent. It reminds me You came from the glory of heaven and earth, O Lord, to pay the price for my sins. You willingly chose to die for me. Is there anything I could refuse You, O Lord? Can I ever stop to praise You? Lord give me the grace to stay with You always and never to take Your great love for granted.

Wednesday (Dt 4: 1, 5-9)
Lord when I follow Your law, I love You, for I say yes to You. Lord never let me believe the temptation that wants me to say I can be removed from Your will and love You. Keep before me Your words "If you love me you will keep My commandments". (Jn 14:15)

Thursday (Jer 7: 23-28)
Lord in Your love you gave me my will, so I may freely see You and follow You. But with this will I can also turn my back on you. Lord, I offer You my will. Keep me always with You and never let me turn my face from You.

Friday (Hosea 14: 2-10)
Lord how often do I not heed your words, and seek solutions of my own making. How often has this made my life more confusing, hard or boring that I am unable to find the peace and joy I wanted. Lord keep me innocent and never allow me to be separated from You.

Saturday (Hosea 5:15- 6: 6)
Lord I know I have tried to follow You and I have failed. But my desire to love You is pleasing to you. Lord, I know with You I can do all things, even if at times it takes time. Lord, never let me give into the despair to want to give up.

ShareLife Sunday

Please note that next Sunday, March 30th is ShareLife Sunday. Our goal is \$43,000.00.

Please give generously. You can work wonders!



All Lifeteen events start following the 6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to 8:30pm on Monday evening in the Parish Hall.
Mar. 23 – Life is Wonderful	Mar. 24 – Why Fasting
Mar. 30 – Parish Mission	Mar. 31 – Would You Rather

Lenten Marriage Encounter

Come renew your marriage and learn what the Church teaches about love, marriage, sex and relationships. These marriage encounter sessions will be facilitated by Deacon Pedro Guevara-Mann. Everyone is invited, but a special invitation to married or engaged couples. Sessions take place 7:00pm on Thursday evenings, March 6, 20, 27 and April 10, 2014. The first three sessions will be in the Parish Hall and the session on April 12, 2014 will take place in the Church.

LENTEN MISSION

We will be having a 3 day Lenten Mission on March 31, April 1, and April 2, 2014 at 7:00pm in the Church. Fr. Ben St. Croix, CC, will be conducting the Mission. Fr. Ben is a priest with the order of Companions of the Cross. He has a great zeal for the "New Evangelization" and his parish missions are an opportunity to proclaim the basic Gospel truth and to invite people into a dynamic relationship with Jesus. **He is a spark the Lord uses to set hearts on fire!**

FRUIT OF THE EARTH & WORK OF HUMAN HANDS

Hot off the press in Lent 2014: "Fruit of the Earth and Work of Human Hands" – a reflection paper on Ontario agriculture from the Social Affairs Commission of the Ontario Bishops. Everyone is invited to this 3 session study of the Bishops' reflection paper, at Holy Martyrs of Japan, 167 Essa St. Bradford, Tuesday evenings March 25, April 1 and April 8: from 7 – 9 p.m. For more information please contact: Laurie van den Hurk, 705-428-5537 or lvandenhurk@archtoronto.org

CWL Spring Northern Regional Meeting

Wednesday, March 26, 2014 – following the 7:00pm Mass
All Members are welcome to attend

Choir Practice

The dates for choir practice for the Triduum are as follows:

Monday, April 7 at 7:30pm

Monday April 14 at 7:30pm

Wednesday April 16 at 7:30pm

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION

We will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 7:00pm. Priests will be available to hear confessions in many languages.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, March 22nd	
+ John Ferreira	by Bernardette Ferreira
+ Ignazio Polizzi	by Wife & Family
+ Miguel & Eduardo Gomes	by Virginia & Carlos Araujo
+ Teresa Silva	by Silva Family
+ Sotero Quipit & Alex Ucat	by Pacita Proctor & Family
+ John Stimec	by Mary Kavchak & Family
+ Joao Barradas	by Rosalina's Co-Workers
* Sp. Int. Our Lady of Fatima	by Elizabeth Ferreira
Sunday, March 23rd	
8:30am	Pro Populo
10:00am	+ Claudio Neto & Maria Rosa de Jesus by Joaquim Neto
11:30am	+ Maria & Luis Borges by Maria da Silva
4:45pm	Spanish Mass
6:30pm	+ Leonia Pontes by Husband Joe Pontes
7:00pm Monday, March 24th	
+ Jack MacFadden	by Wife & Family
+ Maria Arromba	by Husband & Family
* In Honor of St. Anthony	by Dinis Family
+ Jose Rodrigues	by Wife & Children
+ Alice & Silvano Fernandes	by Silva Family
+ Jose Augusto Balugas	by Silva Family
+ Eileen Garvey	by Ron & Nora English
+ Greg MacIntyre	by Dudo Family
8:30am Tuesday, March 25th	
* All Souls	
7:00pm Wednesday, March 26th	
* CWL Members	
8:30am Thursday March 27th	
+ Nuno Azevedo by Wife & Children	
7:00pm Friday, March 28th	
+ Antonio Ferreira Encarnacao by Jose Fernandes & Family	
9:30am Saturday March 29th	
+ Isabel Santos Domingues by Celso & Maria Domingues	
5:00pm Saturday, March 29th	
+ Andy Mikos by Anna Mikos & Family and Agi, Peter & Chantel Hubrich	
+ Noemia Capela & Jose Menezes by Carlos & Virginia Araujo	
+ Silvano & Alice Fernandes by Silva Family	
* Sp. Int. St. Joseph by Elizabeth Ferreira	
+ Antonio Janeiro by Wife, Children, Grandchildren & Family	
+ Augusto Balugas by Virginia & Jose Correia	
+ Teresa Silva & Aurora Capela by Family	
+ Maria Remedios & Joaquim Martins by Daughter & Grandchildren	
Sunday, March 30th	
8:30am	+ Maria Santos by Emidio Romeiro & Family
10:00am	Pro Populo
11:30am	+ John da Silva by Maria da Silva
4:45pm	Spanish Mass
6:30pm	+ Claudio Neto & Maria de Jesus by David & Rosa Oliveira
<i>"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"</i>	

Notes from El Sembrador

There will be a Lenten Retreat for the Spanish Community on April 5, 2014, 3:30pm - 6:00pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm.

The Agricultural Migrant Workers Help Centre will be opening on Thursday April 3, 2014 in the small meeting room at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish from 5:00pm - 8:00pm. It will be open on Thursday, April 3rd, Friday, April 4th, Thursday April 10th, and Friday, April 11th. It will not be open during Holy Week or the week after. The Centre will then be open every Thursday and Friday evening 5:00pm-8:00pm from May to October.

Bradford Ministerial Lenten Series

Join us on Wednesday evenings in Lent as we worship together as sisters and brothers in Christ.

Wednesday, April 2 - 7:30pm

St. Catherine of Alexandria Byzantine Catholic Church,
56 Hearn Street, Bond Head
The Rev. Tim Walker (Bradford Baptist Church)

Wednesday, April 9th - 7:30pm

Bradford Baptist Church, 3224 - 10th Sideroad
The Rev. Jim Keenan (Bradford United Church)

Wednesday, April 16th - 7:30pm

Trinity Anglican Church
The Rev. Richard Bodini (Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church)
Light Refreshments will be served following each service.

TRIDUUM 2014

Thurs, April 17th - Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri, April 18th - Good Friday

3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
(Please be advised that this celebration includes the Eucharist)

5:00pm Divine Mercy Novena

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sat, April 19th - Holy Saturday

1:00pm Blessing of Food

5:00pm Divine Mercy Novena

8:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

Sun, April 20th - Masses will be:-

8:30am

10:00am

11:30am

3:00pm - Divine Mercy Novena

4:45pm - Spanish Mass

6:30pm - NO MASS

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

This is the complete schedule for the
Divine Mercy Novenas

Everyone is welcome to attend

Fri, Apr 18th 5:00pm

Sat, Apr 19th 6:00pm

Sun, Apr 20th 3:00pm

Mon, Apr 21st 10:00am

Tues. Apr 22nd - Sat, Apr 26th 6:00pm

Sun Apr 27th 3:00pm (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Archdiocesan Day of Reconciliation

We will be having an Archdiocesan Day of Reconciliation on
Wednesday, April 9, 2014. A priest will be available to hear
confessions

8:00am - 9:00am

12:00noon - 1:00pm

6:00pm - 7:00pm

7:30pm - 8:30pm

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