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St. Paul Miki and Companions—Pray for Us!

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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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Trinity High School—905-775-4841

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Mother Teresa—905-778-8653

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

El Sembrador

Knights of Columbus

Life Teen

Liturgical Ministers

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Preparation & Catechesis

Seniors Club

Social Club

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.

A LENTEN RETREAT FOR THE WEEK

"Remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return".

These are the words we hear when ashes are placed on our foreheads. They are not meant to be morbid but a reminder that we come lovingly from God. We are a unique creation of His, given life. But this life is not owned by us. He gives it to us for a little while. In the end He calls us back to Himself. A temptation is the evil one's way of letting us forget that, in making us think that this is my life, or that the world is the only thing that matters. One way this temptation is seen nowadays is the desire to fill our life with so many things, not bad things, but many things like I have to fulfill myself. I have to re-create myself. I am so busy that I forget the Lord. So this week I will try to make time for You Lord. I will not give in to his lie.

Monday (Leviticus 19: 1-2 11-18)

"Be holy for I, the Lord, am holy.

I hear what You ask of me today Lord. I take the time to examine my conscience. If I have done anything wrong, I repent of my sins. I resolve to go to confession and with Your grace begin anew.

Tuesday (Isaiah 77: 10-11)

I know today Lord you will show me a sign of your grace and favour. I resolve not to lay my head down to sleep without giving thanks to You for it.

Wednesday (Jonah 3:1-10)

Lord, the people of Nineveh repented of their sins. Lord show me my sins and grant me the wisdom to be humble and the courage to change my life.

Thursday (Ester 4: 17)

Lord, I know there are many things outside of my control. Sometimes I am even plagued by doubt and I think that You have forgotten me and leave me to fight my temptations alone. Lord grant me confidence and peace of mind in Your providence.

Friday (Matthew 5: 20-26)

Lord, let no evil thoughts or anger enter me today Lord. If it does, let it not dwell in me. Lord, forgive my sins as I forgive those who hurt me.

Saturday (Deuteronomy 26:16-19)

Lord, I want to be known by everyone as Your own. I resolve never to be silent when people mock You or Your Church. You died for love of me and I am proud to wear the cross; that sign of love for people to see.

Finance Council Report

Last month we received from all weekly collections \$23,000.00

The parish expenses per month are \$30,000.00

This month we had a shortfall of \$ 7,000.00

God Blesses Generous Givers



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. 9 – March Break	Mar. 10 – March Break
Mar. 16 – (Not So) Surprise Ending	Mar. 17 – Prayer Squared
Mar. 23 – Life is Wonderful	Mar. 24 – Why Fasting

COMMUNITY DINNER

There will be a meeting of those wishing to help with the Community Dinner, on March 18, 2014 at 7:00pm in the Small Meeting Room.

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. It is an opportunity for farmers and non-farmers to explore sustainable food production with respect to globalization, land use and the environment. At Holy Martyrs of Japan, 167 Essa St. Bradford, Tuesday evenings March 25, April 1 and April 8: from 7 – 9 p.m. Offered by the Office of Formation for Discipleship Archdiocese of Toronto. 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
Holy Martyrs of Japan.
All Members are welcome to attend

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Saturday, March 8th

- + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
- + Jose Cardoso by Wife & Children
- + Lino Andrade by Joe & Lucy Andrade
- + Virgilio Domingues & Manuel Oliveira by Lurdes & Family
- + Americo Correia & Inedina Araujo by Virginia & Carlos Araujo
- + Teresa Silva by Silva Family
- + Mary Chafe by Vilma LaRoche & Family
- + Joao Fernandes Barradas by Rosalina Rodrigues

Sunday, March 9th

- 8:30am + Francisco & Jose Francisco Rodrigues by Wife & Mother Ester
- 10:00am + Mary Mallette by Julia Robinson & Family
- 11:30am Pro Populo
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30pm Joe & Edward Lancha by Family

7:00pm Monday, March 10th

- + Scott Viera by Jose & Lucia Viveiros
- + Antonio Mirassol & Family by Ondina Mirassol & Children
- + Joao Fernandes Barradas by Rosalina Rodrigues & Family
- + Greg MacIntyre by Helen Szabo
- * Sp. Int. Santa Eufemea by Maria Sousa
- * In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony & St. Francis of Assisi by Jane Ang

8:30am Tuesday, March 11th

- * Sp. Int. Jose Mendrek by Mother in Law

7:00pm Wednesday, March 12th

- * Sp. Int. Pope John Paul II by Elizabeth Sousa

8:30am Thursday March 13th

- + All Souls

7:00pm Friday, March 14th

- + Fernando Viaes by Carlos, Alison, Tiago & Niko

9:30am Saturday March 15th

- * Sp. Int. for Rob & Angela by Family

5:00pm Saturday, March 15th

- + Vitorino Nazario & Olimpia Sousa by Carolina Santana
- + Gioacchino Cristina & Pietro Asaro by Wife & Family
- + Maria & Eugenio Arruda by Lucy, John & Lui
- + Palmira Alves & Teresa Silva by Carlos & Virginia Araujo
- + Victor Fernandes by Wife & Family
- + Manuele & Palmira Correia by Jose Correia & Family
- + Silvano & Alice Fernandes by Silva Family
- + Jose Rodrigues by Wife & Children

Sunday, March 16th

- 8:30am * All Soldiers by Grace Gomes
 - 10:00am + Victor Latoszek by Wife & Children
 - 11:30am + Jose DeSousa by Wife Alfredina DeSousa & Family
 - 4:45pm Spanish Mass
 - 6:30pm Pro Populo
- "May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"*

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416 968-0997 or e-mail vocations@vocations.ca www.vocationstoronto.ca

Bradford Ministerial Lenten Series

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

Wednesday, March 12th – 8:00pm

Holy Martyrs of Japan Roman Catholic Church, 167 Essa St.
The Rev. Kent Nielsen (Bradford Alliance Church)

Wednesday, March 19th – 7:30pm

Springdale Christian Reformed Church
The Rev. Fr. Boniface Perri
(Holy Martyrs of Japan Roman Catholic Church)

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.

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:30pm

FIRST COMMUNION

Just a reminder that First Communion classes begin on March 18, 2014. You may choose either Tuesday or Saturday.

All sessions are in the Church

Class	Session One – Tuesday at 7:00pm	OR	Class	Session Two – Saturday at 2:30pm
1	March 18 th , 2014		1	March 22 nd , 2014
2	March 25 th , 2014		2	March 29 th , 2014
3	April 8 th , 2014		3	April 12 th , 2014

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.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

THERE WILL BE A BLOOD DONOR CLINIC ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014 3:00PM – 8:00PM IN THE PARISH HALL



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