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Parish Office Hours—Monday through Friday—9:00am to 4:00pm



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

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PARISH MINISTRIES and SOCIETIES

Consolation and Hope

CWL (Catholic Women's League)

EDGE Youth Ministry

El Sembrador

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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.

COUNCIL OF JERUSALEM

As the Easter season draws to a close, the focus shifts from the Risen Lord Jesus to the Holy Spirit who will come upon the Church at Pentecost. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the imminent coming of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will "teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you".

However, the Holy Spirit's role of "reminding" disciples of Jesus' teaching should not be understood as simply a case of the Spirit causing the Church to recollect Jesus' words. Rather, it also implies the Holy Spirit's role in assisting the community of the Lord to understand how the teaching of Jesus bears on the new circumstances that surface and need to be addressed as the Church strives to keep alive the memory of Jesus in each generation.

This, in fact, is the Holy Spirit's role at what has been called the Council of Jerusalem. There a debate took place about what was necessary for salvation: namely, whether circumcision and the observance of the Jewish ritual laws implied by it were prerequisites to belonging to the community of God's elect, or whether faith in Christ and baptism sufficed for salvation.

The first reading from Acts, gives the gist of the problem and the solution reached.

Addressing the issue, Peter recounted how God had poured out the Holy Spirit on the Gentiles through his ministry, cleansing their hearts by faith. Therefore, He argued, they should no longer be considered unclean or unworthy to enter God's presence in worship, as some former Jews were suggesting.

Based on their discussions, they decided that only four items regarding Jewish practices was necessary. The first three involved meat sacrificed to idols 1) that you abstain from what have been sacrificed to idols 2) from blood and 3) from what is strangled.

The fourth dealt with illicit sex, "fornication" (in Greek, *porneia*), which has been interpreted in two ways: 1) as avoiding marriages within degrees of kinship forbidden to Jews (taking this view, the New American Bible translates *porneia* as "unlawful marriages") and 2) as referring to ordinary sexual immorality, for which the pagans were often criticized by Jews in antiquity.

New Testament writings frequently challenged pagan converts to change their sexual behaviour, which included fornication, adultery, prostitution and homosexual practices. Christian morality in the New Testament era was just as countercultural as it is to popular morality today.

Periodically in its history, the Church has convened in council – designated as an "ecumenical" or "worldwide" assembly – to invoke the Spirit's guidance in facing new issues that have arisen or the Pope who holds the deposit of faith has asked for the Spirit's guidance. In prayer before major decisions so has every worthy Priest and Bishop. And this too should be the pattern of every believer of Christ.

Based on Archbishop Terrence Prendergast, SJ. "Living God's Word"

<u>Prayer of the Faithful - Catholic Education Week</u> May 5th to 10th, 2013

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2013, which runs from May 5-10. For more than 160 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, empowering one another to serve as faithful disciples. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools make, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who diligently nurture this precious gift. For more information about Catholic Education Week or to find your local school board, visit goodnewsforall.ca or call the Archdiocese of Toronto online at: www.archtoronto.org

Spirit who will come upon the Church at Pentecost. In the Our weekly goal is \$6,000.00

Offertory donation for April 28th was \$ 7,236.00

Our weekly goal is \$6,000.00

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR AMAZING CONTRIBUTIONS

WEEKLY COLLECTION

MARYGROVE GIRLS CAMP and CAMP OZANAM for BOYS

We are currently accepting registrations for these camps which run throughout the summer months. This program is for

families that are experiencing financial or domestic hardship. Please leave your contact information with the parish office at (905) 775-2065.



STEUBENVILLE EAST

Friday July 19-21, 2013

Inviting all teenagers to a summer

Catholic Youth Conference in Rhode Island. We have only 30 tickets for this conference. Students interested in attending should contact Ray asap!

Where: University of Rhode Island, Ryan Center

1 Lincoln Almond Plaza, Kingston. RI

When: Friday, July 19-21 Transportation by Coach Bus. Leaving Holy Martyrs parking lot at 6:00am Friday morning, returning to Bradford late Sunday night or early Monday morning.



Cost: \$300.00.

Deposit: \$50.00 to reserve spot

<u>Contact</u>: Ray at 905-251-8151 or email <u>reitzel@hotmail.com</u> for more information.

CENTRO CULTURAL PORTUGUÊS DE BRADFORD COMMISSÃO DE FESTAS DE NOSSA SENHORA DE FÁTIMA BRADFORD

Sabado 11 de Maio de 2013

Igreja Holy Martyrs of Japan Com início às 7:30 da noite

Missa com Padre Basilio de Portugal Procissão das Velas

Centro Cultural Português de Bradford

Com iníco às 9:30 da noite

Baile com o conjunto Mexe Mexe Bazar, Comida <u>Domingo 12 de Maio de 2013</u>

> Igreja Holy Martyrs of Japan Com iníco às 1:30 da tarde

Missa com Padre Basilio de Portugal
Procissão

Benção do Santissimo

Centro Cultural Portugues de Bradford

Com iníco às 6:00 da tarde Baile com o conjunto Mexe Mexe Rancho Folcolórico, Bazar, Comida

Prémios para o bazar poderão ser entregues nas padarias Europa ou Portugália.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, May 4th

- + Giuseppe Beninati by Wife Francesca
- + **John Ferreira** by Bernardette Ferreira
- + Teresa Silva & Paul Taucar Sr. by Family
- + Laurentina & Manuel Neto by Joaquim Neto
- + Angelina Mirabelli Hamilton by Angelina Muraca & Family
- + Pasquale & Antonieta Baccilieri by Family
- + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isuara Balugas & Family
- + Mary Gres by Ed Gres & Family
- + Sandra DiFolcca by Family

Sunday, May 5th

- **8:30am** + **Maria Encarncao** by Emidio & Eduarda Romeiro & Family
- 10:00am + Lionia Pontes by Joseph Pontes 11:30am + Giacomo Galifi by Nick Galifi
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass 6:30pm Pro Populo

7:00pm Monday, May 6th

- + Manuel Marques & Maria de Oliveira by John & Maria Conceicao
- + Lionia Pontes by Manuel & Fernanda Ferreira
- + John Ferreira by Feliciano Ferreira & Family
- + Celeste Henriques by Vilma LaRoche & Family
- + Nuno Azevedo by Maria & Helio Sousa & Family
- + Blossom D'Croix by Carl & Family
- + Jose Capela Correia by Idalina & Carlos Correia
- + Maria da Silva by Luis Da Silva & Family

8:30am Tuesday, May 7th

* Special Intentions for Our Lady of Fatima by Elizabete Ferreira

7:00pm Wednesday, May 8th

+ **Maria de Jesus Oliveira** by Fernando & Arminda Miranda & Family

8:30am Thursday, May 9th

+ Rose Klinger by Gasko Family

7:30pm Friday, May 10th

- + Nuno Azevedo & Victor Fernandes by Rosa & David Oliveira
 9:30am Saturday, May 11th
- + Antonio Morais Castro & Emilia & Joaquim Gonsalves by Conceicao Castro

5:00pm Saturday, May 11th

- + **Jose Francisco & Francisco Rodrigues** by Wife & Mother Ester
- + Pietro Asaro & Gioacchino Cristina by Wife
- + Paulo & Maria Amelia Medeiros by Lourdes & Gerry Dulyk
- * In Thanksgiving of 50th Wedding Anniversary by Family
- + Zeca Correia & Teresa Silva by Family
- + Olivia Ribeiro Cacalussa by Isaura Balugas & Family
- + Maria Arsenia Ferreira by Isabel & Family
- + Lionia Pontes by Gabriela Pontes

Sunday, May 12th

- 8:30am + Maria Fatima & Dennis Faria by Joe Faria & Family
- 10:00am + Antonio Santana & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
- 11:30am + Nancy Bova by Daughter Patty & Family
- 4:45pm Spanish Mass
- 6:30 pm Pro Populo

"May God Grant Them Eternal Peace"





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All Lifeteen events start following the	All EDGE events start at 7:00 to
6:30pm Sunday Youth Mass	8:30pm on Monday evening in the
	Parish Hall.
May 5 - Social	May 6 - Outdoors
May 12 – The Family Bible	May 13 - A New Family
May 19 – Issue Night	May 20 - NO EDGE

PAPAL BLESSINGS

Papal Blessings can be ordered for the following occasions only:



- 25th, 50th, 60th, 70th, 75th Anniversaries for Wedding & Religious only
- 50th, 60th, 70th, 75th, 80th, 90th, & 100th
 Birthday Celebrations only
- Sacraments: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage & Priestly Ordination.

The cost associated with this order is as follows:

- 8x9" \$45.00
- 10x15" \$90.00
- 12x16" \$110.00

Allow 12 weeks for processing time. To order, or for more information, please contact Delia at the Parish Office.

Please note under Vatican rules, a Papal Blessing cannot be issued to an institution, organization, group or association, etc. Also Papal Blessings cannot be ordered for Parishes outside the jurisdiction of the Archdiocese of Toronto or non-practicing Catholics.

ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF SCHOOL



Please join us to celebrate St. Jean de Brebeuf's 25th Anniversary on Saturday, May 25, Mass at 10:30am at Holy Martyrs Parish.

After the Mass, Reception and Refreshments will be served at St. Jean de

Brebeuf's Gymnasium All are welcome!

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Wednesday, May 15th, from 3pm to 8pm at Holy Martyrs Parish Hall



El Sembrador

El Sembrador is looking for volunteers with accounting or income tax knowledge to help migrant workers with filing their taxes. If you are able to help us one Saturday in June please call the Parish Office at 905 775-2065

RESTLESS HEART-MOVIE

Monday, May 20th at 2:00pm SilverCity, Newmarket

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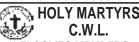
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