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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
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.

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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
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
Parish Library	
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.

In the Company of Jesus

In today's Gospel we are reminded of the two disciples of Jesus who were on their way to the town of Emmaus. As they went along, their conversation was on the things that had happened recently in Jerusalem. Jesus seemed to have come from nowhere and began walking with them. Jesus asked them: "What matters are you discussing as you walk along?" (Lk 24-17) And the one whose name was Cleophas expressed his surprise with the words. "You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these past few days". "What things?" They told Him about Jesus of Nazareth.

The disciples had hoped that He was the one who would set Israel free. Knowing that they were slow in understanding what the prophets had said about the Messiah, Jesus began to interpret for them every passage of Scripture which referred to Himself. By now they were near the village. Jesus acted as if He were going farther. They insisted that He stay with them, since it was nearly evening, and He stayed. When they sat down to eat, Jesus pronounced a blessing and then broke the bread and offered it to each of them, like He did with apostles at the Last Supper. With this action the two disciples recognized Him; just as we see Him when communion is broken and given to us. Those two disciples were very happy to listen to someone who knew the Scriptures so well indeed their hearts burn in them. His words about the Messiah were so clear and easy to understand. His company was so pleasant that they hated to see Him leave.

Jesus speaks to us, too, by means of His representatives here at the altar, and He keeps on telling us that He wants to forgive us, to heal our moral sickness, and to join us on the road to eternal life. Do we accept His company? Are we saddened whenever He leaves us because of sin? Do we invite Him back? We do not have to wait for the breaking of bread to recognize Him. We already know He is there, and waiting for us to receive Him in Holy Communion. How fortunate we are in being able to give Jesus a place in our hearts, and how wonderful if we keep Him always there, to keep us company, to inspire us, to give us courage and love, as we continue our road, not to Emmaus, but to heaven. "It is getting late, Lord. Stay with us." (Lk 24:29-30)

From God's Message by Rev. Msr. Vito C. Massone



MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING

Holy God, you compared your own love for your people to the love of a Mother for her children. Look with kindness on our Mother who has shared in your creating love by the gift of her children.

We thank you for the joys of her life, the giving and sharing. Listen to our prayers and bless our Mother who has nurtured and sustained us. Give her patience in abundance and let her find joy and satisfaction in all her day. Glory and praise to you, loving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, and who reigns with you in the glory of heaven for ever and ever. Amen.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Offering donation was \$6,143.80

Our Weekly goal is \$6,000.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To the students and Staff of the Marie Incarnation School who raised \$615.13 for the relief effort of Japan.

Good Bless you for your charity.

WANTED – CHOIR MUSICIAN



After many years of wonderful service, we are in need for a music minister. We are looking for a Liturgical Musician to play the organ or the piano at the 8:30am Sunday Masses for the Portuguese Choir starting on Sunday, June 26th. Portuguese language is an asset but not mandatory. The Portuguese Choir practices on Mondays after the 7pm Mass. St. Augustine said when you sing you pray twice, once with the words and once with the beauty of the music. Without it our Mass is severely diminished. Please be open to God's call. If you know someone who might be interested, please pass this message along or if you have any questions call the Parish office at 905-775-2065.

FIRST COMMUNION for students of ST. CHARLES School

We are happy to have students from St. Charles school making their First Communion on

Sunday, May 8th at the 11:30am Mass

Let us keep these young people in our prayers as they are about to receive our Blessed Lord for the first time!

Pray for our Priests

His Grace, Archbishop Thomas Collins will ordain the following three men to the Priesthood on May 14th, 2011 at St. Michael's Cathedral, Toronto.

Rev. Mr. Russell Asch

Rev. Mr. Eric Mah

Rev. Mr. Allyn Rose

We offer our sincere congratulations and prayers to these soon-to-be ordained new priests who will serve in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

We ask that you keep them in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

5:00pm Saturday, May 7th

+ Maria, Manuel & Gabriel Oliveira, & Virgilio Domingues by Lurdes & Family
 + Fernando Viaes by Wife & Son
 + Jose Freire, Gloria Mendes & Antonio Francisco by Wife & Children
 * Special Intentions by Maria Dins
 + Manuel & Antonio Bastos by Luis & Zelia Pontes
 + All Souls in Purgatory by Antonio & Piedade Janeiro
 + Santissimo Divino by Maria Sousa
 + Anna Hawrylak by Beata Arent & Family & Anna Zablocke & Family

Sunday, May 8th

8:30am + Robert Karola & Edgar Moeller by Daughter
 10:00am + Antonio Santana, Vitorino Nazario, & Maria Sousa by Carolina Santana
 11:30am + Nancy Bova by Alfie Bova & Children
 5:00pm Spanish Mass
 6:30pm Pro Populo

7:00pm Monday, May 9th

+ Dennis, Fatima & Maria Faria by Fernanda Rodrigues & Family
 + John Ferreira by Bernardette Ferreira
 + Fernando Viaes by Jack & Rosa Afonso & Family
 + Augusta Jesus Faria by E.H.
 + Jozefa Pindel by Balon Family
 + Maria Da Silva by Luis Da Silva & Family
 + Gabriel Domingues by John, Fernanda & Kayla
 * Thanksgiving to St. Theresa by a Parishioner

8:00am Tuesday, May 10th

+ Alda Dawm by Alfie Bova & Children

7:00pm Wednesday, May 11th

+ Gioacchino Czystina & Pietro Asaro by Wife

8:00am Thursday, May 12th

+ Dorothy Bisschop by Joe Mendrek & Family

7:00pm Friday, May 13th

+ Antonio & Cecilia Fernandes by Fernandes Family

9:15am Saturday, May 14th

+ All Souls by a Parishioner

5:00pm Saturday, May 14th

+ Annie Yaszczyszyn by Taucar Family
 + Francisco Rodrigues by Wife – Ester
 + Fernando Viaes by Jack & Rosa Afonso & Family
 + Sophia Adamek by the CWL Northern Region
 + Maria Natalia Rodrigues by Daughter & Family
 * Our Lady of Fatima by Elizabeth Ferreira
 * Special Intentions by Maria Dinis
 * Special Intentions for Michael by Family

Sunday, May 15th

8:30am + Donnie Adams by Doug & Judy Adams
 10:00am + Sandra & Jennifer Da Silva by Maria Da Silva
 11:30am + Joao Laranjeiro by Wife & Children
 5:00pm Spanish Mass
 6:30pm Pro Populo

“May God Grant Them Eternal Peace”

Our Lady of Fatima Festival

Saturday, May 14th at 7:30pm followed by
 Candlelight Procession
 and on Sunday, May 15th - 2:30pm Mass
 Fr. Lester Mendosa is presiding.

Sunday to Sunday.....

UPCOMING EVENTS at HOLY MARTYR'S PARISH

Sun May 8th – 11:30am – First Communion for St. Charles school
 Mon May 9th – 7:30pm – CWL – General Meeting & Bingo night
 Tue May 10th – 7:30pm – RCIA
 Wed May 11th – 7:00pm – Knights of Columbus Meeting
 Thu May 12th – 7:00pm – El Sembrador Volunteer Training Meeting
 Sat May 14th – 7:00pm – Our Lady of Fatima Mass
 Sun May 15th – 11:30am – First Communion for St. Jean Brebeuf
 Sun May 15th – 2:30pm – Our Lady of Fatima Mass



May 8th – Your “Momma”

May 9th – Friends Part 2

RCIA

R.C.I.A. WE CELEBRATE, WE BELIEVE...

The R.C.I.A. (Roman Catholic Initiation of Adults) is for any adults (18 years old or older) who are interested in joining the Catholic Faith. In it we journey with you in a discovery of

who Christ is, the Church He founded and His love for you. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr. Boniface at the Parish Office.

PICNIC

Well you know summer's coming when we announce that Holy Martyrs is having a picnic. We are hoping to have good weather and a great turn-out. The picnic will be held on Saturday, June 18th at noon at the Scanlon Creek Park – Pavillion 4 (D). Lots of parking available and the Knights of Columbus will be helping us with a BBQ of hotdogs, hamburgers, & soft drinks for sale. We would ask that if you are joining us this day that you bring a salad or dessert or whatever the ants can't get into in order to share with the rest of the picnickers. More details to come about games and races for the kids.

Watch the bulletin!

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 or for further info and camp dates, call the office at (905) 775-2065.



Vita and Stephanie's

11th Annual CUT-A-THON

Sunday, May 15th from 10am to 5pm at

Mary & Vita's Hair Design, 118 Holland St. East

HAIR CUTS BY DONATION benefiting
 The Hospital for Sick Children – Cochlear Implant Program

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