# **BLESSED TRINITY PARISH**

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#### PARISH STAFF

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Rev. Eric Rodrigues	Associate Pastor
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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

9:00 a.m 7:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.
3:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.
9:00 a.m 1:30 p.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:45 4:00 Sunday: 6:30

9:45 - 10:30 a.m. 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

#### BAPTISM

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 2:00 p.m. by appointment.

#### MARRIAGE

Please contact the rectory one Year in advance of desired date.

#### WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil	Mass:	4:30 p.m.
Sunday:	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
	12:15 p.m.	7:00 p.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday:	8:00 a.m.
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.

#### ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT First Friday of the month

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

**NOVENA - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX** Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

VOCATIONS Fr. Hansoo Park, Director Vocations 416-968-0997 www.serrahouse.ca www.vocations.ca

## **OUR PARISH SCHOOLS**

#### Elementary Schools

Blessed Trinity School	416-393-5289
St. Agnes School	416-393-5345

#### **Secondary Schools**

St. Joseph's Morrow Park	416-393-5516
Brebeuf College School	416-393-5508



<u>Monday, April 11</u> Rita Kent (Deceased) <i>Requested by Ray Ferguson</i>	8:00 am
<u>Tuesday, April 12</u> Jesus Hinojosa Saenz (Special Intention) Requested by the Hinojosa family	8:00 am
<u>Wednesday, April 13</u> Yvonne Houston (Deceased) Requested by Al Houston's family	8:00 am
<u>Thursday, April 14</u> Bea Orlando (Deceased) Requested by Ray & Anna DePape	8:00 am
<u>Friday, April 15</u> Bernadette Tsu (Deceased) Requested by her daughter Madeleine	8:00 am
Maria Lo (Deceased) <i>Requested by the family</i>	7:30 pm
Saturday, April 16 Vicente Castaneda (Deceased)	9:00 am

Vicente Castaneda (Deceased) Requested by the McDermott family



#### SEASON OF LENT

Daily Mass: 8:00 am (Saturday 9:00 am)

#### Friday evenings March 11 – April 15

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm Mass

#### Lenten Reconciliation

 Wednesday, April 13
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

 Thursday, April 14
 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

 Saturday, April 16
 9:30 am - 11:30 am



#### Knights of Columbus

General Meeting: Mon, April 18, 7:30 pm

**YOUNG FILLT** The final regular Young Adults meeting of the year will be on *Sunday, April 10* from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm in the St. Joseph's Room. Each meeting will include a short talk followed by Eucharistic Adoration. All young adults ages 18 to 40 are welcome.



#### North York <u>Retired Men's Club</u>

The next meeting will be held on *Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at* 2:00 pm in the Blessed Trinity Parish Hall. The guest speaker will be Errol Superville on the topic of "Why I chose Medicine." All retired men and spouses are cordially invited to attend.

#### EASTER TRIDUUM

Thursday, April 21		
Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper		
Mass (only one Mass today) Celebration of the Eucharist, Was Reposition of Blessed Sacrament Adoration until 12 midnight	7:30 pm hing of feet	
Friday, April 23		
Good Friday		
(No Mass today) Liturgical Service Veneration of the Cross, Commun		
Stations of the Cross (Divine Mercy Novena begins)	7:00 pm	
Saturday, April 23		
Holy Saturday Easter Vig	<b>il</b> 8:00 pm	
(Only one Mass and fulfils Sunday obligation) Easter celebration in Parish Hall		
EASTER SUNDAY		
Sunday, April 24		
Resurrection of the Lord		
Masses	9:00 am 10:30 am	

9:00 am 10:30 am 12:15 noon (No 7:00 pm)



## Catholic Women's League

Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel

(Patroness of the Catholic Women's League) On **Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** Mass will be celebrated at 1:00 pm followed by a General Meeting in the parish hall and a guest speaker with a presentation on the "March for Life". Delicious refreshments will be served. All women of the parish are cordially invited. As this is the last General Meeting of the season, all members are encouraged to attend.

**THANK YOU** – The CWL extend a heartfelt thank you to all our seasoned and first time volunteers for giving so generously of their time to sell daffodils for the Canadian Cancer Society. A special thanks to Bayview Cleaners for allowing them to set up their base inside the store.



The Theresians and West Enders -Present 'Let's Go to Broadway' on the

evening of *Saturday, April 30.* There will be a Variety Show, Refreshments, Dancing and

a Cash Bar. Come and join us for an enjoyable evening of amazing entertainment. Proceeds will be donated to the St. Bernard's Retirement Residence. Tickets are \$10 and will be on sale after weekend Masses during April or contact Camila 905-763-7670 or George 416-225-5377.

**The Theresians** – The next General Meeting will be held on *Wed, April 13* at St. Bernard's Retirement Residence at 12:00 noon. They will share lunch, hold their meeting, and then entertain the residents with songs from South Pacific. Tea will be served. All Theresians members are asked to bring sweets.

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT April 10, 2011

## WORKING WONDERS FOR FAMILIES...

When Mary came to Catholic Family Services (CFS) of Dufferin-Peel, she was overwhelmed and had a bleak outlook at her future. A victim of domestic violence, the single mother of three was also struggling to cope with behavioural issues from her eldest son. Mary and her son were given counselling and support by CFS. Today, Mary is a more confident woman and she and her son are closer than ever. *In 2009, ShareLife's network of Catholic Family Services offices helped 116,389 people deal with stress, anxiety, mental illness, domestic violence and troubled relationships.* 

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> ShareLife collection – May 1, 2011 Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!



#### First Communion

The students from our schools will be receiving their First Communion with their parents at the 10:30 am and 12:15 pm Masses on the following dates:

#### St. Agnes School - Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Blessed Trinity School, Saturday Class, Community and Private schools, Sunday - May 8<sup>th</sup>

We pray that they may always be close to Our Lord.



#### 40 Days for Life

40 Days for Life runs from Ash Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> to Palm Sunday,

**April 17<sup>th</sup>** and is a pro-life international campaign to end abortion. It consists of prayer, fasting, a peaceful vigil at an abortion facility and community outreach. **The Toronto 40 Day Vigil will be held daily from 8:00 am** – **8:00 pm, at "The Women's Care Clinic", 960 Lawrence Ave. W., (near Dufferin).** Participants will pray across the street from the medical building (same side as the Villa Columbo). For more information and to sign up for vigil hours, visit <u>www.40daysforlife.com/toronto</u> or phone Nicole Campbell at 416-204-9749. All are welcome.

**Marriage Enrichment Weekend** – The next weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre will be **April 15-17.** Treat yourselves to a weekend or give a weekend as a gift to family or friends. The Centre offers comfort, excellent cuisine and an inspiring program. For information call 905-278-8879 or to register call 905-278-5229.

#### THE HIDDENNESS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

"In the Eucharist God is both *truly present* and hidden. Not only in the Eucharist, but in all of life, God both reveals himself and at the same time conceals himself. Why?

To elicit our free response of faith and trust. Even human lovers do not *prove* themselves to each other or demand guarantees. He gives just enough light for lovers, who can find him when they seek him, but not so much as to compel non-lovers and non-seekers to find him against their will. The lover respects the beloved's freedom.

The greatness of the Eucharist is known only to faith, not to the feelings or the senses or the sciences. Its *being* (reality) is far greater than its *seeming* (appearances). "The presence of Christ's true body and blood in this sacrament cannot be detected by sense, nor understanding, but by faith alone, which rests upon divine authority" (St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologiae III, 75, I), not on human experience.

Many "once in a lifetime" experiences in this world *feel* more heavenly to us than what happens every Sunday: our reception of the Eucharist. Many experiences move us to tears of joy and remain in our memory throughout our lives: births, deaths, weddings, honeymoons, reunions, sun-sets, even sports triumphs. In contrast, most of us usually feel very little when we receive the very Body of God incarnate, even though this reality is infinitely greater than anything else in our lives.

This is normal, and God-ordained, for a reason. God does not give us heavenly feelings when we receive the Eucharist for the same reason he does not give us heavenly *sights*. We neither feel nor see Christ as he really is so that faith, not feelings or seeing, can be exercised, trained, and emerge triumphant.

The Eucharist doesn't look like Christ; thus, it tests not only our sight but also our faith: do we believe God's word or our human senses?"

"Sight, taste, and touch in Thee are each deceived; The ear alone most safely is believed: I believe all the Son of God has spoken: Than Truth's own word there is no truer token" (St. Thomas Aquinas)

