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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed for Lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. Friday Office Closed.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m. Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Mass: 7:00 p.m. Rosary prayed 20 minutes before weekday masses.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Youth Mass Sunday 9:00 a.m. (with Children's Liturgy JK, SK, Grade 1 & 2) & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please download the Baptism Information Kit and Registration Form from the parish website, www.stleothegreat.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course. Please call the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

All families attending St. Leo's are requested to register with the parish. Registration forms (Welcome Cards) are available in the vestibule of the church.

LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY PASTORAL VISITATION

If you or someone in your family is in the Oshawa, Whitby or Port Perry Hospitals and would like to have a priest (for serious reasons) visit the person who is sick for Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, Confession or Communion, please note that there is a full-time Catholic Priest assigned to these three hospitals at various times of the week. Simply ask hospital staff to inquire as to whether *Father Victor Amole* is present in the hospital (or when he will be). If Father Victor is not available and there is an emergency requiring a Catholic priest, please call St. Leo the Great Parish at 905-655-3286 and when prompted, press "8" and leave your message. Fr. Charles will receive your message (if he is available) and return your call. If there is no emergency but you would like to speak to Fr. Charles, please call the parish office and leave a message with the parish secretary at 905-655-3286 x 101.

*TOTUS TUUS REGISTRATION *THIS WEEKEND!*

August 9-13 for students entering grades 7-12 August 10-14 for students entering grades 1-6

The Totus Tuus children's week-long summer program is holding registrations this weekend following all Masses. Beyond this weekend, the deadline for Registration will be Tuesday May 19. Please take advantage of this grace-filled program for children and young people in our parish from grades 1-12. You and your children won't regret having participated in this week of drawing closer to Christ and one another.

A QUIZ ABOUT POPE FRANCIS

In my homily last Sunday I was preaching on Christ's words that He is the Vine and we are the branches and how we can cut ourselves off from the Vine and how the Heavenly Father also cuts off those who do not bear fruit as a result of their spiritual lives. This, of course, is nothing new to Christians for the Church has always taught about a final judgment by Christ at the end of our earthly lives and in our Creed we profess each Sunday our belief that "he will come to judge the living and the dead".

I also spoke about how the Vine, who is Christ, and the Church are one in that to cut oneself off from the teaching of the Church is tantamount to cutting oneself off from the teaching of Christ Himself. We can't say "I am Catholic, but I don't agree with her teachings or this one or that one in particular."

This led me to remark on how many Catholics since the election of Pope Francis have falsely come to believe that by some of the publicly, unscripted remarks of the Holy Father on various subjects, he is going to change some of the Church's teachings. The Pope won't and can't change the Church's long-standing teachings which are derived from Christ Himself. What Pope Francis has done so beautifully in his papacy is bring a fresh approach to each of the hot-button topics of our times, but he hasn't changed the Church's time-honoured teachings one iota.

Early on in the first days of being our Holy Father he made the now famous statement to reporters who accompanied him on a plane "Who am I to judge?" I don't think Jesus Himself got the kind of enthusiastic response by telling His disciples "I am the Resurrection and the Life" that some have taken from the words of Pope Francis. For them, the pope had just now issued a worldwide edict that no one is ever to judge another person, even though we know that such an understanding would effectively do away with any form of justice. His words were viewed as a nod to license to somehow assume that everything was okay because the pope said so. Judgment is necessary and we do it and ought to do it all the time within ourselves. We discern what is good and not good for us all the time which effects our actions, our words and determines those things we won't do.

The Quiz

With each of the following statements, you are asked to choose (judge) whether Pope Francis made the statement stating "He said it!" or "He never said that!" These are statements that the pope supposedly said or didn't say but you'll have to decide

which statements are in fact true and part of public record or those that have been falsely attributed to the Holy Father. The answers appear at the bottom of the fourth column of this bulletin. Please try to avoid looking at the answers until you have really thought about the quote. The point of this quiz, of course, is to prove that it is easy to assume that when someone says "The pope said...." it may or may not be true. As well, since his election as Supreme Pontiff on March 13, 2013 at 7:06 pm. Pope Francis has not changed one single letter in the teachings of the Church.

Quote 1. "One day, we will see our animals again in the eternity of Christ. Paradise is open to all of God's creatures."

He said it!

He never said that!

Quote 2. "It is not necessary to believe in God to be a good person."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 3. "I am the feminist pope."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 4. "The papal apartment in the Apostolic Palace is not luxurious."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 5. "The reservation of the priesthood to males is... not a question open to discussion."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 6. "Women are naturally unfit for public office."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 7. "The time has come to abandon all intolerance. We must recognize that religious truth evolves and changes. Truth is not absolute or set in stone."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 8. "Europe is now a grandmother, no longer fertile and vibrant."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 9. "Children have a right to grow up in a family, with a father and a mother....".

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 10. "We don't need saints with veils or cassocks. We need saints in jeans and tennis shoes."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 11. "In a way, the traditional notion of God is outdated. One can be spiritual but not religious."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 12. "Abortion and infanticide are 'unspeakable crimes'."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 13. "If Dr. Gasbarri says a swear word against my mother... he can expect a punch."

He said it! He never said that!

Quote 14. "I hope all members of the international community can agree on a responsible, credible and supportive response to this worrisome and complex phenomenon [of climate change], keeping in mind the needs of poorest populations and of future generations."

He said it! He never said that!

SPECIAL WEEK OF PRAYER DESIGNATED BY CANADIAN CATHOLIC BISHOP –

National Week for Life and the Family: May 11-17

As Pope Francis reminded the people of the Philippines during his visit in January of this year, "In the family we learn how to love, to forgive, to be generous and open, not closed and selfish. We learn to move beyond our own needs, to encounter others and share our lives with them. That is why it is so important to pray as a family! That is why families are so important in God's plan for the Church!"

During this year's National Week for Life and the Family, let us all reflect on the wonderful role which has been entrusted to the family.

Confirmation: Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm Mass
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bp. Nguyen
Please note that the Holy Hour will be cancelled and that Mass
that day will be held in the morning at 8:30 am. instead of
Wednesday evening.

Thursday May 14, the 8:30 Mass is cancelled – March For Life

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends May 15 - 18

Cursillo is a short course in learning and experiencing the fundamentals for truly "being Christian" through entering into or deepening a relationship with Jesus Christ. A method is offered as a means, based on friendship, for living our daily life as a Christian in an ever-growing and deepening manner.

Suggested Charitable Donation: \$250 which covers 3 nights accommodation, meals, snacks and all activities. For more info contact Gabriel Ferdinand 647-929-2771.

Mass Intentions - May 12 - 17

Tues. 8:30 am – For the intentions of Madge St. Denis Wed. 8:30 am – For the intentions of John Fox Thurs. NO MASS – MARCH FOR LIFE - OTTAWA Fri. 8:30 am – Joe Floriano+ req. The Barker Family Sat. 5:00 pm – Elvira Carneiro+ req. The Azavedo Family Sunday 9:00 am – Tony Vesters+ req. St. Leo's K. of C. Sunday 11:00 am – Luigi Giardullo+

The Church's Teachings on Marriage and Annulment

On Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7 pm, Father Brian Clough, Judicial Vicar, Archdiocese of Toronto will give a talk on the Catholic Church's teachings on marriage and annulment. The talk will take place at the Catholic Pastoral Centre – 1155 Yonge St. 4th Floor (Adjacent to the Summerhill TTC Subway Station; also free underground parking available). For inquiries, please call Catholic Family Services of Toronto (416) 921-1163 X2227 or X2235.

Ladies Retreat

Ladies Retreat at Marylake, King City (May 22 to May 24, 2015). Theme "St. Augustine on the Eucharist". Transportation by bus will be provided. Reservation Required. For more information and to register call Aldith Whorms 905-623-6470 or Sue Fitzpatrick 905-721-1765.

Holy Family Marriage Retreat

MARRIED COUPLES, Holy Family Parish is inviting you to take a day-off from your busy schedule and learn what it is like to put Christ in the centre of your marriage, renew your love for one another, improve your communication and keep the sparkle in your marriage going. Come and attend a day of Marriage Retreat on Saturday, May 23rd from 9 am to 4:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Speakers are from the Light of Jesus Catholic Community – Toronto. Registration fee of \$25 per couple will cover lunch, snacks and materials. For registration and more information, please call the parish office at 905-665-6470.

FASHION SHOW AND FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The CWL will be hosting a **Spring Fashion Show on** <u>Saturday May 23 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm</u> with doors opening at noon for a sneak peek, here at St. Leo the Great and will be held in the parish hall. The Fashion Show will be featuring all Canadian made clothing from Peachtree Originals of Markham.

Coffee, tea and desserts will be served. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and can be obtained by calling Jeananne 905-6118 or Donna 905-620-0724 or can be purchased after all of the Masses this and next weekend. This would be a great gift for mom on Mother's Day.

The parish Family Fun Night has been rescheduled to Saturday May 30 at 6:30 – 8:00 pm in the parish hall. Just \$5.00 per family. Please plan to come and join other families for an evening of Trivia and other fun challenges. Pizza, beverages and desserts will be provided. Please register your family by calling Jeananne at 905-579-6118 or Donna at 905-620-0724 as they need to know how much pizza to order.

The Answers

- Q 1. Nope, he never said it. Snopes falsely attributed it to him.
- Q 2. Nope, falsely attributed to him again, by Snopes.
- Q 3. Nope, it was St. Pope John Paul II during an audience with conference attendees on Women's Health and Human Rights in the 1990's.
- Q 4. Yep. He was explaining why he chose to live at St. Marta.
- Q 5. Yep. Evanglii Gaudium, 104
- Q 6. Nope. This false attribution was just plain malicious.
- Q 7. No sir. Falsely attributed to him.
- Q 8. Definitely said it in an address to European Parliament.
- Q 9. Yes sir! Opening of a Vatican colloquium at the Vatican.
- Q10. No! The pope would never say that. We need all the saints we can get.
- Q11. No way. False attribution.
- Q12. Yes, he said it before Italy's Prolife Movement.
- Q13. Yes, he said it at a press conference in January of this year.
- Q14. Good try, but no, Pope Benedict XVI said it Nov. 28, 2011.



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