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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1st, 2015

*"I will walk before the Lord,
in the land of the living."*

Psalter Week II



Parents wishing to baptize their children at Holy Family are invited to approach either Fr. Larry, Fr. David, or Deacon Robert after any of the Sunday masses in order to obtain a Baptism Preparation Package.

Parents are reminded that baptisms are not celebrated during the liturgical season of Lent,

CELEBRATING FIRST COMMUNION

Parent Catechetical Meeting

All parents who have a child formally registered to celebrate First Communion are to attend the parent catechetical meeting. You will receive a second book at this meeting. We ask that **only parents** attend. You may attend on **Sunday March 1st, 2:00-3:30pm**. During this meeting you will select the date for the second parent/child meeting.

Celebrating First Reconciliation (Confession)

All families who have completed the book, ***We Prepare for Reconciliation***, are reminded to bring their child to the parish any Saturday between 2:00 and 4:00 pm to celebrate the sacrament. The child is to bring the completed book with him/her. If your child has not celebrated before Lent begins, we encourage you to come on the assigned date between 2:00 and 4:00 pm

Surnames E – L	March 7 th
Surnames M – P	March 14 th
Surnames Q – Z	March 21 st

VOCATIONS

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We, too, can have a mountaintop experience, when we open our minds and hearts to following God's will for our life. If God is calling you, call 416-968-0997.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Catechetical Meeting #2

Candidate and Sponsor Meeting

It is understood that the candidate and sponsor will attend this meeting. If the sponsor cannot attend, the parent is to attend. The candidates are grouped according to their date of Confirmation.

Sunday March 8th

2:00pm – 3:30pm
For May 20th /21st

Wednesday March 11th

7:30pm – 9:00pm
For May 25th

Thursday March 12th

7:30pm – 9:00pm
For May 26th /27th

Sunday March 15th

2:00pm – 3:30pm
For June 1st /2nd

Monday March 23rd

7:30pm – 9:00pm
For June 3rd

Wednesday March 25th

7:30pm – 9:00pm
For June 4th

Candidates, please remember to bring three unused toiletry items (toothbrush, toothpaste, unscented deodorant, shampoo, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, etc, **please do not bring bars of soap**). The items will be donated to community programs that serve youth and the homeless.

VITAMIN F: AN OPPORTUNITY TO UNDERSTAND THE LENTEN GOSPELS!

We will gather on Tuesday March 3rd for our monthly dose of Vitamin F. The topic will be ***Grace, Sin, Living in the Freedom of God's' Children***. We will focus on the themes of water, light and life. All are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be available at 7:15 pm, and we shall begin at 7:30, concluding by 9:00 pm.

STEWARDSHIP

Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God himself "did not spare His own son." Are my gifts to the Lord – of my resources, of my time, of myself – also sacrificial?

PREPARING FOR BAPTISM

OR TO

RENEW OUR BAPTISMAL PROMISES

The church reminds us that Lent has two major purposes: it recalls or prepares for baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance.

In our parish, **Ethan, Daniel, Luna, Miguel, Aaron, and Andres** are preparing to celebrate Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. **Amanda, Melissa, Rudy, Tanya, Zita, Vincent, Julia, Emily, Sophie, Alejandro, and Anthony** are preparing to become full members of the Catholic Church. You are asked to pray for them each day as the time for them to join us at the Eucharistic table draws near.

Suggestions for the Second Week of Lent

As we continue to journey towards Easter and our renewal of our baptismal promises, you are invited to give something away every day. It could be good used toys or clothing, money, or a smile, a compliment, or a helping hand to a family member.

We are encouraged to continue our fast – perhaps we could fast from spending money on unnecessary items and put our savings towards our offering for ShareLife.

YEAR 'A' READINGS

March 8th, 15th and 22nd

On the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent, we will celebrate a scrutiny with those preparing for initiation at the Easter Vigil. On each of these Sundays, at each Mass, we will follow the direction of the Church and proclaim Year 'A' readings. The ***Living With Christ*** missal has the Year 'A' readings included. You are invited to prepare for Mass by reading the Scriptures beforehand.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES/BOOK SALE

After all Sunday masses on March 15th (Saturday March 14th), we will have a religious article and book sale, in the parish hall. There will be an assortment of items and books suitable for adults, teens, and children. Payment by cash and cheque.



Family of Faith

The Family of Faith campaign is nearing completion here at Holy Family Parish.

Raised to Date: \$810,000.00
Thank You!!

If you have not already done so, please return your pledge card to the office.



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*Thomas Cardinal Collins
Archbishop of Toronto*

Today is ShareLife Sunday
Please give generously.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday March 6th, 2015

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of many traditions, who come together on the first Friday of March each year, to observe a common day of prayer. We will join our neighbours at Palgrave United Church, on Friday March 6th, at 1:30 pm. All parishioners are welcome to join in.

Thank You

Many thanks from the Columbian Squires to Fr. Larry, Fr. David and all parishioners for supporting the pancake dinner. Thank you!!

ROOTED

Holy Family Parish welcomes all parishioners in Grades 3-5 to join this interactive, fun, and faith-based ministry. Next Rooted is Saturday March 7th, at 10:00 am.



Fridays at 7:00pm

The Edge is open to students in grades 6, 7 & 8.



Saturdays 5:00pm Mass

Life Teen is open to all high school students.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

A weekend retreat is being offered at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, March 6th -8th, 2015. This is an opportunity to rest, renew, pray and grow in your personal relationship with Jesus. Preached by the Centre team. For further information, or to register please call 905-278-5229.

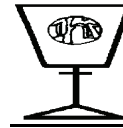
REGIS COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE Saturday, March 7th, 2015 10:00am-3:00pm

Interested in theological studies? Regis College, the Jesuit School of Theology at the University of Toronto, invites you to its Spring Open House. This free event includes a series of mini-lectures in theology, presentations about academic programs, a campus tour, lunch, and the opportunity to meet faculty and students. For more information and to register online, please visit www.RegisCollege.ca/OpenHouse, or call 416-922-5474 x 221

LENDING LIBRARY



We have a great selection of books and visual media for all ages available in our lending library. All are invited to make use of this parish resource.



Mass Intentional

Monday March 2nd, 10:00 pm

†Maria Carbone

Requested by the Carbone Family

Tuesday March 3rd, 10:00 am

†Del Bosco Family Members

Requested by Rina Di Biase

Wednesday March 4th, 7:00 pm

†John Borg

Requested by Vivian and Family

†Noel D'Sylva

Requested by his family

Thursday March 5th, 10:00 am

†Nora Claverie

Requested by Nora Bravo

Friday March 6th, 10:00 am

†Mariano Camilleri

Requested by Chris & Helen Bugeja

7:30 pm Adoration

Saturday March 7th

5:00 pm

Sunday March 8th

8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12:00noon

SANCTUARY LAMPS

(February 25th - March 3rd)

Engelbert Sr., Frank & Jozefa Markovic

Shirley Wakeman

Letitia Grant

In Thanksgiving to San Corrado

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STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCES Power & Purpose Conference June 5th - 7th, 2015

A conference about strengthening disciples for life in the Holy Spirit, this is formerly the Adult Charismatic Conference. Registration is now open and once again we will charter a bus. The early bird registration fee is \$120.00, (ages 18 -30, \$70.00), the meal plan is \$63.00 and the lodging is \$70.00, or \$90.00 for air conditioning. The bus cost will depend on the number of pilgrims traveling in our group, however, we expect to pay an additional \$100.00pp. For more information, please see Lydia in the parish office, or call Vicky Sutton, 905-533-0244. Please consider joining us for this dynamic weekend. Young adults and Life Teen graduates are most welcome!!

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giving ourselves,
in emerging
from ourselves,
that we have true joy.**

Pope Francis

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