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Rev. Mr. Ken Sylvan
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LITURGICAL LIFE

Altar Servers	Deacon Rudy Ovcjak	647-970-4495
Children's Liturgy	Doris Sweeney	905-837-2944
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Teresa D'Amelio	647-200-9315
Gregorian Choir	Michelle Cuyugan	647-292-1422
Lectors	John L. Santos	905-665-5217
Music Coordinator	Anna Hughes	905-576-9398
Organist	Andrew Weleschuk	
Parish Choir	Anna Hughes	
Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation	Ext. 505	
Ushers & Greeters	Carlos Figueroa	905-420-3794
Youth Choir	Vanessa Lowing	

YOUTH MINISTRY Shelly Coish Ext. 223

EDGE Programme: Grade 6, 7 & 8

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month

Lifeteen Programme: High School Students

Please join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month

OTHER APOSTOLATES

Bereavement	Please call the parish office	
Legion of Mary	Fran Baduel	Ext. 504
Rosary Apostolate	Camille Jacques-Carr	905-509-8500
St Vincent de Paul	Ben Jardine	Ext. 502

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Women's League	Marie James	905-839-8890
Knights of Columbus	Dennis Lacey	905-839-7001
Children's Play Group	Ramona Kelland	905-831-5772
Parish Finance Council	Bart Calderone	905-839-9116
Bldg/Maint. Council	Paul Bertrand	905-622-5910
Refugee Committee	Please call the parish office.	

PARISH SCHOOLS

PRINCIPAL

St. Elizabeth Seton	Sharon Bird	905-839-0005
St. Isaac Jogues	Jim Raper	905-839-1844
St. Wilfrid	Mike Young	905-427-6225
Notre Dame Secondary	Joe D'Amico	905-686-4300
St. Mary Secondary	Michael O'Brien	905-420-7166

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil	4:30pm
Sunday	8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am, 7:00pm

(Rosary 15 minutes before each Mass)

DAILY MASSES

Monday to Friday	7:30am
Wednesday	7:00pm
Saturday	8:30am
First Friday	7:30pm
First Saturday:	11:00am Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite (Latin)

(Mass will be offered at 10:00am on Public Holidays)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday	9:00 to 9:30am, 3:45 to 4:15pm.
Sunday:	15 minutes prior to each Holy Mass

(Any time by appointment)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday between the morning and evening Masses
First Fridays after morning Mass until 6:30pm Holy Hour

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday at 7:00pm
First Friday: Holy Hour at 6:30pm

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated at least once per month. Parents are to be registered parishioners. To register your child for baptism, pick-up a baptism package in the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No wedding date is to be set before consultation with the Priests/Deacons. At least one of the parties must be a registered parishioner.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the office.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE ILL OR HOMEBOUND

Requests for the Sacrament of the Sick, prayers or visitations, please call the parish office.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to the Catholic Church locally. Please introduce yourself to the Priests or Deacons and register in the office.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions & Parish Activities

MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY

10:00am Mass: + Michael Easson

TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

7:30am Mass: + Angela Hughes

WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

7:30am Mass: + Cecily Turton

7:00pm Multiple Mass Intentions

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY – CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE

7:30am Mass: + Maria Majcyk

9:00am to 12 noon Children's Play Group

7:00pm Legion of Mary meeting

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY – ST. POLYCARP, BISHOP & MARTYR

7:30am Mass: + Carol Kolb

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00pm EDGE

SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY

8:30am Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions

4:30pm Mass: + Mike Kielly

SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY – LENT II

8:30am Mass: + Josef Ljubicic

10:00am Mass: Pro Populo

11:30am Mass: + Prudencio & Maria Araujo, Humberto & Gervasia Resendes

7:00pm Mass: + Alvero DeMedeiros



FAMILY DAY: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Holy Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am. The office will be closed this day and will reopen at 9:00am on Tuesday.

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Pilgrimage: Fr Paul Dobson will be leading a 15 day pilgrimage to Greece and Malta **21 October to 4 November 2018**, following in the footsteps of St. Paul. Please contact the office for details and the itinerary.

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

FASTING

Lent is marked out by the traditional disciplines of fasting, almsgiving and prayer. The practice of fasting goes back to the earliest times when humanity became aware of its need for forgiveness. The Old Testament furnishes us with many examples of this. After his sin with Bethsheba, King David spent time fasting to beg God's pardon. In the Book of Esther, she prepares herself to intervene for the lives of her people by a three day fast. In his address to the Jews, Joel calls upon them to repent by an act of fasting, and the people of Ninevah respond to the grim message of the prophet Jonah by fasting and wearing sackcloth and ashes. In the New Testament, Jesus opens His ministry by a forty day fast. We are called to fast and abstain in Lent, not only as an act of sorrow for our sins, but to identify with Christ who fasted for forty days and forty nights in the desert. Lent is the Church's way of providing us with a mini retreat, and fasting helps to free us from material concerns so that we can devote more of our efforts to spiritual exercises. By fasting "You curb our minds and bestow on us strength and merit". (*Preface for Lent*)

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

The Chair of St Peter : Today's feast dates back to the fourth century and celebrates the unity of the Catholic Church around the primacy of St Peter, the Prince of the Apostles and his successors. The "Chair" is a symbol of teaching authority (as with professors in our universities). We recall that Our Lord gave St Peter authority among the Apostles to "strengthen his brothers in the Faith". (*St Luke's Gospel, ch 22 v 32*).

St Polycarp (d.155) As a young man, he had known St John and 'others who had seen the Lord'. He became Bishop of Smyrna and was an old man when betrayed by a servant and taken before the pro-consul. He refused to denounce Our Lord saying: I have served Him for eighty-six years. How can I blaspheme my God and Saviour? He was sentenced to be burned alive, but miraculously, the flames formed an arch around him "like a ship's sail filled with the wind", and the executioner was ordered to stab him. The account of his martyrdom, written at the time, survives today.

Lent: the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**

email: vocations@archtoronto.org

website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

LENTEN RETREAT – February 26, 27 & 28

Journey with the Canadian Martyrs

Join us for a Lenten retreat facilitated by Father Michael Knox, S.J., a Jesuit priest from Martyrs' Shrine, **from 7:00 to 9:00pm.**

- ❖ Celebration of Holy Mass
- ❖ Reconciliation Service
- ❖ Reliquary of the Martyrs exposed in the Church
- ❖ Individual Blessings with the Relics of St. Jean de Brébeuf, Charles Garnier, and Gabriel Lalernant
- ❖ Each evening includes a reflection on the self-sacrifice of the Canadian Martyrs weaved into the passion narratives of Jesus Christ.

Let the lives of the Martyrs deepen your relationship with Christ as we journey with them during this Lenten season.

www.martyrs-shrine.com

Come and See Weekend – Friday, March 23 (begins 6:30pm to Sunday, March 25 (ends 1:30pm, at St. Augustine's Seminary:



OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. Registrants 17 years old require parental consent. For more information, please contact (the Parish Priest) or the Office of Vocations at: 416 968 0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org



2018 CAMPAIGN: Would you, your family and friends put aside your toonies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during the upcoming Lenten weeks, and contribute these savings to help in the struggle to end abortion and to create a **Culture of Life in Canada**? If so, coins for life boxes will be handed out at the back of the church this weekend. Be assured that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. God's preborn children in the womb have no voice but ours. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on **May 10, 2018**. You may even wish to make this a family, school, or office project. Spread the good news of the sanctity of every life from conception to natural death which God created as no one has the right to destroy that life. In our present-day culture of death in society we all have a role to play to reverse the tide even with this *'little project' for life*.

2017 tax receipts (church and St. Vincent de Paul) are now available for pick-up after all Masses. Also, please retrieve your box of 2018 offertory envelopes from the foyer a.s.a.p.



FIRST PENANCE: Children in our parish have completed their First Penance retreats and will receive the Sacrament of Penance on **Tuesday, February 20 and Thursday, February 22 at 7:00pm**. Please keep these children in your prayers as they receive the merciful love from Our Heavenly Father in the Sacrament of Penance.

CONFIRMANDI are invited to receive the Sacrament of Penance on these evenings as well.

USED SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

Parent Council is hosting a Used Uniform Sale on **Thursday, February 22nd from 5:00-7:00pm** at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, 1918 Whites Road. Good quality used uniform items will be available for purchase. CASH ONLY.

BINGO- Saturday February 24th following the 4:30pm Mass

Come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship hosted by the Knights of Columbus! Feast on a tasty pasta dinner followed by 10 regular games of Bingo.

Children are welcome for dinner, however, due to ACGO regulations, anyone under 18 years of age cannot play. We offer supervised children's activities during Bingo.



Catholic Women's League Luncheon

The St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Women's League monthly luncheon takes place on **Wednesday, February 28th** beginning with rosary or Mass at **11:30am**. Please send an email to CWL.luncheon@gmail.com (or call [905-831-3353](tel:905-831-3353)) to confirm your attendance and indicate if you need a ride. This helps us to ensure sufficient table settings and food! Lunch will be served at 12 noon, bingo and social time at 1:00pm. Cost \$3.00 per person (please pay at the door).



The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual St Patrick's Pub Night **Saturday, March 17th from 7:30pm to 12 midnight** in the parish hall. DJ "Sight & Sound", hot dinner, cash bar, door prizes and more. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and sell out fast! Contact Dan O'Leary (416-564-5088) or Frank Straney (905-839-6584) or stop by the church office to purchase.

BUNDLE UP FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

On **Saturday, March 17th and Sunday, March 18th**, a trailer will be at our church to pick up clothing and coats (any and all!), boots and shoes, bedding, drapes and textiles, towels, and new toys. www.svdptoronto.org **NOTE: NO construction material, videos, cassettes, furniture, mattresses, dishes, appliances, books, baby furniture items (cribs, highchairs, strollers, etc.).** Donated goods are provided to our neighbours in need in communities across the GTA and to those whom we serve through our supportive housing and outreach programmes. This work is facilitated through the Society's Store Division, which has a warehouse and three stores. Beyond this, surplus donated goods are sold to the public through our three retail locations, or sold wholesale to partnering organizations that share a fair value for the goods donated. In turn, these proceeds are then used to support the work of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your support.

YOUTH NEWS

Registration is now open for our two big summer youth events:

Steubenville Toronto (aka SteubieTO) is a youth conference in July for students currently in Grades 8-12 that takes place at the UOIT Campus in Oshawa. Join 2000 other teenagers in a weekend full of energetic music, dynamic talks and powerful prayer time.

EDGE Camp is for students currently in Grades 5-8 and is a five day overnight camp experience at the end of August. There are loads of outdoor activities, such as swimming, canoeing/kayaking, high ropes and much more. There is also daily Mass and EDGE nights with 200 of your new camp friends.

For information about registering for either of these events, or anything youth ministry related, please contact Shelly at the parish office, ext. 223, or email SIJYM@hotmail.com

Smile of the Day:

Ted: I just spilled beer all over the stove.

Patsy: Oh great! Foam on the range.

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