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LITURGICAL LIFE

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Children's Liturgy	Doris Sweeney	905-837-2944
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Teresa D'Amelio	647-200-9315
Gregorian Schola	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	647-294-5454
St Vincent de Paul	Desmond D'Mello	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
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Refugee Committee	Please call the parish office.	

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES 416-733-8544

PARISH SCHOOLS

	PRINCIPAL	
St. Elizabeth Seton	Sharon Bird	905-839-0005
St. Isaac Jogues	Valerie Cappuccitti	905-839-1844
St. Wilfrid	Mike Young	905-427-6225
Notre Dame Secondary	Joe D'Amico	905-686-4300
St. Mary Secondary	Susan Duane	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.

 Mass Intentions & Parish Activities MONDAY 4 MARCH – ST. CASIMIR 7:30am Mass: + Isabel Garvey 3:30pm Youth Choir 7:30pm RCIA
TUESDAY 5 MARCH 7:30am Mass: + Anthony Decruz 7:30pm Knights of Columbus general meeting 8:30pm Gregorian Schola
ASH WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH 7:30am Mass: + Guiseppe Russo 3:30pm Youth Choir 7:00pm Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions 8:00pm Parish Choir
THURSDAY 7 MARCH – STS PERPETUA & FELICITY, MARTYRS 7:30am Mass: + Mary Walker 9:00am Children’s Play Group 7:30pm Legion of Mary meeting
FRIDAY 8 MARCH – ST JOHN OF GOD, RELIGIOUS 7:30am Mass: + Guiseppe Russo
SATURDAY 9 MARCH ST FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS 8:30am Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions 4:30pm Mass: + Paula Griffiths
SUNDAY 10 MARCH – LENT I 8:30am Mass: + Damian, Leila, & Robert Pancham 10:00am Mass: Pro Populo 11:30am Mass: Intentions Menezes family, & + Alice Alemao 7:00pm Mass: + Helen Tsea

**THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS
IN MEMORY OF KIRK FERGUSON**

**THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT begins this week on
Wednesday 6th March: ASH WEDNESDAY (Purple)
DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE*
Blessing and imposition of Ashes at all Masses:
7:30am, at the parish schools and the 7:00pm Mass**

* Fasting consists of eating only one full meal (at any time of the day), and eating only a “light collation” or snack on two other occasions.

* All persons from their eighteenth to sixtieth birthdays are obliged to keep this law (unless it would endanger health to do so)

* Abstinence from meat and food containing meat products must be observed by all those who have reached their fourteenth birthday.

* Parents should ensure that even those who are still below the age to which the laws of Fasting and Abstinence apply are trained to have full appreciation of the penance.

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Lent is approaching: On Wednesday the holy season of Lent begins our long yearly journey towards Calvary and Easter. We call it a “journey” not only because it takes over seven weeks to complete, but because it begins a long way from its destination. We begin Lent with the ashes of death. Death is one of the few things in life that we can be certain about. It is also one of the few things in life which every one shares in. The manner and the timing of our deaths may differ, but the fact that our lives come to an end in this world is unavoidable for us all. Yet, strange to say, death is not originally part of God’s plan for us. Death, St. Paul tells us, came into the world through one man: Adam. It was

Adam’s disobedience to God’s command that brought about death, as God had warned in Genesis 2:17. So the words which we will hear on Wednesday as the ashes are put on our foreheads were first said by God to Adam on that very day that Adam sinned: “*Dust you are, and unto dust you shall return*” (Gen 3:19). Yet after the disaster of the Fall, God did not abandon Adam and all humanity, his doomed descendents. Instead, God promised to send a Saviour. That is the story of Our Lord: of His Incarnation, His ministry, His death and resurrection. Christ Our Lord took the sins of the whole world upon Himself at His baptism. He then carried them with Him onto the cross, and they were killed there with Him. His death, freely accepted, was the means of taking away our death. Even so, despite that, we still have to die. Yet even though death is not taken away from us at the end of this life, its meaning and its final outcome are utterly **changed** by Christ’s death. We are not condemned to everlasting death and darkness, because Christ has shattered death by His resurrection. This is why St. Paul can say to the Corinthians: “*Death is swallowed up in victory...O death, where is your sting?*” (1 Cor 15: 55). I wish you all a good Lenten season.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

St Casimir (1460-83) The son of King Casimir IV of Poland, he was imprisoned by his father for three months for refusing to use force to invade Hungary as he believed that to seize the throne of Hungary was unjust. He also refused his father’s attempts to make him marry and instead devoted his life to prayer and good works, becoming a great friend of the poor. He lived a very austere life and died of consumption while visiting Lithuania. He was buried at Vilnius and his tomb quickly became noted for many miracles. He is Patron of Poland and Lithuania.

Sts Perpetua and Felicity (d. 203) Both these women were married, but they were of different social standing: Perpetua was a woman of rank, whilst Felicity was a slave. They were imprisoned together at Carthage during the persecution under the reign of Emperor Septimus Severus, and were thrown to the wild beasts in the amphitheatre on this day, 203. They are mentioned in the Roman Canon of the Mass.

St John of God: (1495-1550) He worked variously as a shepherd, soldier, superintendent of slaves and a book seller when, at the age of forty he heard a sermon preached by Bl John of Avila which inspired him to radically change his life. He gave all his possessions away, but in his own town his actions were regarded as those of a lunatic and he was imprisoned in an asylum. He did everything he could to help the sick and went to Grenada where he founded a hospital. This was the beginning of the an order of Brothers Hospitallers, which later became known as the *Brothers of St John of God*. He is patron of book sellers, the sick and hospitals.

St Frances of Rome (1384-1440) Born into a noble family, she wanted to give her life to God even at an early age. However at only thirteen, she was married, but her husband was a good and devoted man. Frances dedicated herself to helping others, especially victims of plague and civil war. Several other Roman shared her ideals of self-denial and good works and so she organised a community of Benedictine Oblates. Following the death of her husband, she joined the community and directed it herself until her death. She was renowned for her mystical experiences and was a religious power in Rome, much esteemed by Pope Eugenius IV.

"In the Lord your labour is not in vain". Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God's call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 email: vocations@archtoronto.org website: www.vocationstoronto.ca**

The Rosary Apostolate in the Schools is seeking volunteers who have great devotion to the Mother of God and who are willing to visit Pickering Catholic elementary schools to pray the rosary with the children once a month. Training and screening will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Camille Jacques-Carr at 647-294-5454.



Would you, your family and friends put aside your townies, loonies, quarters, nickels, dimes during the next 4-6 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 next Saturday, March 9th and Sunday, March 10th.** This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 9, 2019. Be sure 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. 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 society we all have a role to play to reverse the tide even with this 'little project' for life.

The next Prayer Shawl get-together is **Wednesday, March 13th at 6:30pm in the church hall.** Bring along your finished or unfinished works of art and share your talent and ideas. Please pass on the info to your friends.

Annual Manresa Weekend Retreat for Men Friday, March 15 - Sunday, March 17, 2019

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The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual St. Patrick's Pub Night on **Saturday, March 16th 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 (416-564-5088) or Frank (905-839-6584) or stop by the church office.



National Association of Catholic Nurses-Canada (NACN-Canada) formed in 2018 to support Catholic nurses and other health professionals who experience moral distress in practice related to changes in Canadian healthcare. We joined CICIAMS, an international group of Catholic nurses with a voice at the United Nations. Our goal is to align our professional practice with our faith through prayer, education, service, and participation in public discourse. Membership year begins in January; please mail application and cheque to **CONTACT:** NACN-Canada PO Box 19525, Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto ON M4W 3T9. Find membership application at **EMAIL:** nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com or **WEB:** nacn.canada@weebly.com

Women of the Word Toronto invites you to their 10th Anniversary Forum, "Living Truth, Beauty and Goodness" on **Saturday, April 13th, 2019 from 9:00am to 2:30pm.** This year's speakers include Fr. Michael Della Penna, Dr. Josephine Lombardi, and Gizela Cardoso. The event will be emceed by Celeste Giraldo Estrada. Cost: \$60.00 (includes light breakfast and plated lunch). Contact: WOW Toronto Phone: 416-453-0402 Web: www.wowblessingstoronto.com



Registration is open for our two big summer youth events: Steubenville Toronto and EDGE Camp! 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 in the middle 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 by email at SJJYM@hotmail.com or pick up the information at an upcoming EDGE or LifeNite.

Registration is now open for our brand new summer day camp called Camp Veritas! It will run from July 8th - 12th and is for students going into grades 1-5. Registration is NOW OPEN, and you can find forms in the parish office, on the table in the vestibule or on the parish website. Contact Camp Director, Emily Wardle at sijcampveritas@gmail.com or our Youth Minister, Shelly at the parish office, ext 223 or by email at SJJYM@hotmail.com for more information.

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