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LITURGICAL LIFE

Altar Servers	Deacon Rudy Ovcjak	647-970-4495
Children's Liturgy	Doris Sweeney	905-837-2944
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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
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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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions & Parish Activities

MONDAY 11 MARCH

7:30am Mass: + Holy Souls in Purgatory
3:30pm Youth Choir
7:00pm Catholic Women's League general meeting
7:30pm RCIA

TUESDAY 12 MARCH

7:30am Mass: + John & Marian Nelligan
8:30pm Gregorian Schola

ASH WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH

7:30am Mass: + Edward Atanacio
3:30pm Youth Choir
7:00pm Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions
8:00pm Parish Choir

THURSDAY 14 MARCH

7:30am Mass: + Mary McDonald
9:00am Children's Play Group
7:30pm Legion of Mary meeting

FRIDAY 15 MARCH

7:30am Mass: Special Intentions - Maria Russo
7:00pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY 16

8:30am Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions
4:30pm Mass: + Alicia Hernandez

SUNDAY 17 MARCH – LENT II

8:30am Mass: + Mike Kielly
10:00am Mass: Pro Populo
11:30am Mass: Thanksgiving – D'Souza family
7:00pm Mass: + Fausto Naccarato

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS IN MEMORY OF KIRK FERGUSON

Pilgrimage: Fr Paul Dobson will be leading a 9 day pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France, **May 10-18, 2019**, celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Fatims in Portugal. Please contact the office for details and the itinerary.

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

THE FORTY DAYS' FAST

St. Luke tells us in today's Gospel reading that the Holy Spirit who had come down upon Our Lord at His Baptism, then led Him out into the wilderness for forty days, and during that time He held a struggle of wills with the devil, and also that He ate nothing during this whole time, so that He was hungry. The first thing we note is that this strange combat took place after Our Lord's Baptism, and under the direct impulse of the Holy Spirit. The struggle with the devil, of which we hear three specific instances in this Gospel reading, was something which He had to undergo. It was not an accidental by-product of this retreat from normal human life—it was the very purpose of it. Why should the Holy Spirit have inspired such a strange and extreme struggle? What can it have contributed to Our Lord's ministry to have gone without food for forty days? What connection is there between the fast, the wilderness and the temptations? The wilderness is a hostile environment. Our Lord and the Holy Spirit deliberately chose it as being somewhere quite remote from human habitation and ordinary everyday life. Our Lord came away from human society and spent time utterly alone. This in itself made Him prone to strange experiences as anyone who has spent

considerable time on their own can tell us. Solitary confinement is even used as a form of punishment because the lack of human contact, and the sensory deprivation can have a severe impact on one's mental state that may lead to a severe personal crisis. Our Lord not only deprived his senses of much that is normal, He also deprived His body of food. He was bringing about a *crisis* in the ancient Greek sense of that word: "a moment of judgement and choice". Our Lord was, in effect, deliberately inviting the devil to make use of this opportunity to "get inside" His mind and put Him to the test. He wanted to enter into combat with the devil. On the other hand, the devil also wanted to see what Our Lord would do when he put Him to the test. Deprived of human contact and being very hungry, Our Lord was exposed to most extreme and unusual states of mind and body which opened the way for the devil to test Him in the various ways we hear about in today's Gospel. In order to understand this at all we must go back to the very beginning of human history. Adam and Eve had been created in a state of grace from which they had fallen through the devil's deceit. The devil had tempted them with the thought that God was keeping them in the dark and withholding from them a great secret and denying them a fascinating gift: the knowledge of good and evil. They fell, and lost their grace; yet God promised them a Saviour who would atone for the fall and repair the terrible damage it had done us all. Now at last that promised Saviour was here as a new Adam. "A *second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came* ", as Cardinal Newman puts it. Would this new Adam resist the devil's cunning? Would He succeed where our first human parents had failed? The devil overcame the first Adam in the first temptation, but he does not know exactly how far he can tempt this new Adam whom he has heard called "Son of God" at His baptism. Therefore, the devil says to Jesus, "If you are the Son of God..." in the temptations which we hear about in the Gospel. The devil enters into combat with the Son of God and Adam. He fails and Jesus, God made man, wins.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK: SUNDAY, LENT II

Please note in April and May the First Saturday Traditional Latin Mass is cancelled, due to the First Holy Communion retreats and Masses.

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If you think 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



Come and See Weekend – Friday, March 15 (begins at 7:00 pm) to Sunday, March 17 (ends at 1:30pm) at St. Augustine's Seminary:

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



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Cardinal Thomas Collins

March 31 is ShareLife Sunday.

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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.

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

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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”, Irish dancers, 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.

Smile of the Day:

What did the ocean say to the shore?

Nothing, it just waved.

AN IMPORTANT INVITATION

You are invited to a very important educational seminar being held here at the parish **immediately following the evening Mass at 7:00 on Wednesday March 20th.** This seminar will be presented by staff at Christ the King Cemetery, part of Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services, Archdiocese of Toronto. Snacks, coffee and tea will be provided afterward.

In our experience, when families come to us to make cemetery arrangements after the loss of a loved one, we witness their added burden and emotional stress, as so many decisions become very personal with many preferences to be considered. We just can't help but empathize knowing that in this time of grief, they should be at home amongst the love and support of their family and friends, and not planning a funeral. We will be discussing the benefits of planning ahead and the many options that are available to you. As part of our ministry, our goal is to provide peace of mind for you and your family. All are welcome.

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.



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 SIJYM@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 sjicampveritas@gmail.com or our Youth Minister, Shelly at the parish office, ext 223 or by email at SIJYM@hotmail.com for more information. email at SIJYM@hotmail.com for more information.

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