

EASTER SUNDAY – MARCH 31 2013

POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE

In the weeks ahead we will begin to get to know our new Holy Father Francis. Being aware of his words will help us discern the priorities that he will be mapping out for us as God's People. During his official installation, he is quoted during his homily, "It means protecting people, showing loving concern for each and every person, especially children, the elderly, those in need, who are often the last we think about", embracing "with tender affection the whole of humanity, especially the poorest, the weakest, the least important, the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the native, the sick, those in prison."



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Vogliamo conoscere meglio il Santo Padre Francesco. Nel giorno del suo possesso, via trasmissione in diretta da Roma ai giovani di Buenos Aires, hanno sentito tramite il maxischermo nella piazza del duomo: "Voglio chiedervi un favore... camminiamo tutti uniti, prendiamoci cura gli uni degli altri, prendetevi cura tra di voi, non facciamoci del male, curiamo la vita, curiamo la famiglia, curiamo la natura, curiamo i bambini, curiamo gli anziani". "Non ci sia odio – ha proseguito – non ci siano contrasti, lasciamo da parte l'invidia, dialoghiamo."

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REMINDER FOR FHC & CONFIRMATION

Preparing for Eucharist – a reminder for parents and FHC candidates that the first meeting for **Unit One** "We Share in the Eucharist" will be held

Sunday April 7th at 10:30 am **OR**
Saturday April 13th at 4:00 pm

Preparing for Confirmation – Confirmation Students and families are reminded that the next meeting will cover Ch 4 of Anointed for Mission.

Sun Apr 14th at 10:30 am **OR**
Sat Apr 20th at 4 pm

Please note that we are asking the families to sit with the candidates – when the youngsters sit together apart from the families, we find that peer pressure takes over.

RECYCLING – SMALTIMENTO RIFIUTI

As we listen to Pope Francis we begin to realize that he has a love for all creation. One of the ways in which this connection manifests itself is in his concern for the environment. Just think about it, one of the ways in which we can come to know God is in coming to know and love the earth – one of God's gifts to us.

On Sat April 13th (10 am to 2 pm) at Trinity Bellwoods Park, there will be a **Community Environment Day**. Safely dispose of dangerous refuse, including paint, thinners,

batteries, etc. Electronic devices and many other objects can be processed at this time.

COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DAYS RIUTILIZZATE, RICILATE E SMALTITE IN MODO SICURO I RIFIUTI

Smaltite gli oggetti di scarto/pericolosi * Prendete il composto gratis * Prendete contenitori nuovi * Fate conoscenza con i vostri vicini

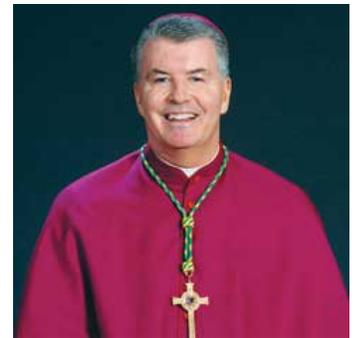
Partecipate a un Community Environment Day (Giornata ambientale della comunità): e' il modo più sicuro per liberarvi di vernice vecchia, oli usati, sostanze chimiche, batterie esaurite, apparecchi elettronici rotti e molto altro.

Per un eleno completo di date e località degli eventi, nonché dei rifiuti accettati, andate a: toronto.ca/enviornment_days.

Trinity Bellwoods Park, lungo il lato est di Shaw St. (subito a sud di Dundas St. W. – Sabato 13 aprile.

VATICAN COUNCIL AND CHURCH TODAY

The Paulist Centre will conclude its Year of Faith lectures on the Second Vatican Council with a presentation on **The Council Today and Into the Future** by Bishop William McGrattan. The Council formally closed on December 8, 1965. Then the real work of the Council began, with the entire Church engaged in implementing the vision of the Council. How does the Church today reflect that vision? What does it mean for the future of the Church?



Bishop McGrattan, a native of London ON and former faculty member and rector of St. Peter's Seminary there, has served as Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto since January, 2010. This program will take place on **Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 PM at the Paulist Centre, 830 Bathurst Street** (across from the Bathurst subway station). For more information call 416-534-2326, ext 212, or check www.paulistcentretoronto.ca.

MISSA GAIA EARTH MASS

April 3 and April 5, 2013 – 7.30pm at **Holy Name Catholic Church, 71 Gough Ave., Toronto**

The school's 140-voice choir, musicians and dancers will perform this joyous rhythmic, contemporary work inspired by St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and ecology. It is a musical/spiritual celebration of God's creation that includes the human voice alongside that of the wolf, whale and loon. An instrumental ensemble featuring present students and alumnae provide an eclectic canvas of traditional, gospel, new age and world music. Adm. is \$15.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT WEEKEND APRIL 19 - 21

For women ages 17-30: Wondering if you feel of the call of God to serve Him and make a difference in the lives of youth? Take time to reflect on deep questions about your life with a particular look at consecrated life to "Serve the Lord with joy!" For more information, contact Sr. Cora Beboso

fmacora@yahoo.ca or call: 416-710-0128.

DOMENICA DELLA PASQUA - ANNO C – 31 MARZO 2013

SVDP -BUNDLE UP WEEKEND APRIL 27-28



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing and household linens and goods, toys, etc. to support the needy and our residential programs the weekend of April 27th and 28th. Any clothing, all seasons for men, women and children will be given to those in need or be sold to help support our Special

Works in the community.

SHARELIFE

The first ShareLife collection for last Sunday was \$2,820. Another \$255 came in last weekend. Our goal this year for ShareLife is \$12,500. Those who have not yet used their envelopes, kindly forward during the weekend Masses. Thank you for your generosity.

GENEROSITY - GENEROSITÀ

We have some items that we acquired for our Holy Week celebrations:

Paschal Candle – donated this year by Domenic Vetro
“In Thanksgiving for our new Holy Father, Pope Francis”

Fabric for Altar of Repose – donated Fausta Tedesco
“In Memory of her deceased parents Eugenia & Mario Franco”

Fabric for Tables in Chapel of Repose - \$450

- \$140 – Lega Sacro Cuore e Francescani x i loro defunti
- 40 – Anonimo
- 20 – In memory of Giuseppe Azzoli by wife Maria
- 20 – In memory of Giuseppe Figliano by wife Elisabetta
- 20 – Maria Simonetta
- 5 – Anonymous
- \$ 205** – Balance outstanding/*ancora da saldare*

Fabric for Covering of Statues - **\$200**

\$ 1902.50 - Last Sunday's collection for the **Easter Flowers**.

Easter Envelopes will be collected this weekend (Easter).

Please use cheques for significant donations ☺

QUICK NOTES!

Welcome to St Francis of Assisi Parish in the heart of Little Italy. **We hope that if you feel comfortable here, our parish will become your spiritual home.**

Did you know that when marrying, Catholics are obliged to be married according to the rite of the Catholic Church? You are advised to start speaking with your parish one year ahead of time and we already have a number of couples booked for 2014.

Are you registered at St Francis? There have been a lot of changes at St Francis since last Easter. If you consider yourself part of the St Francis family, you should take the time to register formally. If you are working, you are entering the adult world – please don't depend on your parents' membership – you need to step up to the plate and register yourself.

MASS SCHEDULE

March 30th to April 7th 2013

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH

EASTER VIGIL

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass in English & Italian
For All Parishioners

SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST

EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM For All Parishioners

11:30 AM For All Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

8:00 AM Vincenzo Bellissimo

TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

8:00 AM Giuseppe e Catena Pace

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

8:00 AM Pro Oblitis

7:00 PM Francesco Garisto

THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH

8:00 AM In Onore della Madonna della Carmine

FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

8:00 AM In Onore del Sacro Cuore

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

12:00 Wedding Francesco Patamia &

noon Provvidenza Rosso

5:00 PM Vincenzo Longo

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 AM Pietro Petrini; Famiglia Corrado;
Famiglia Prioriello; Famiglia Rotiroti;
Famiglia Sestito; Fortunato e Anna Galati;
Giuseppina Galloro; Agostino Lanzeroti;
Mariano e Fiorina Greco;

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

APRIL OFM ORDINATIONS – NYC & TORONTO

Fr Joaquin Meija will be ordained on Sat April 6th in St Anthony of Padua Church in NYC.

Fr Conrad Fernandes and **Fr Peter Furgiuele** will both be ordained at **our parish of St Francis**, 72 Mansfield, on Sat April 27th at 11 am by Most Rev William McGrattan.

Let us begin to prepare for this wonderful and joyous event!

**VOLUNTEER AT ST FRANCIS
BECOME PART OF THE FAMILY!**