

**PARISH COUNCIL & FINANCE COUNCIL
CONSIGLIO PARROCCHIALE E CONSIGLIO
DI FINANZE PER LA PARROCCHIA**

As we begin a new year of activity in the parish, it is time to begin working on organizing a Parish Council and a Finance Council here at St Francis of Assisi. Over this past year we have been observing our surroundings and our parishioners and we know that you have been getting to know us as well.

A **Parish Council** acts as a sounding board for the pastor. It needs to be clear that it is NOT the voice of a parliament and the pastor is not the prime minister. People on the Parish Council should have a sense of what our community is and a vision for the future of St



Francis of Assisi. They will be involved in discussions on situations in the parish and assist in the implementation of policies. At the risk of being repetitive, they do not decree things and walk away expecting others to get the job done. They need to be able to mobilize parishioners to make St Francis effective in its ministry and presence in the community. They will obviously be involved in planning the two moments of public contact with our wider community: the Good Friday and September Processions.

The members of the **Finance Council** need to bring talents with them to the table. Some would need a background in accounting/law, others in fundraising and others in looking at bricks and mortar dimensions. No one person has all these talents and these members act as a safety cushion guiding the finance and property issues in the parish.

In both of these councils we are hoping for a representation of the reality of our diversity – cultural and generational.

When you propose a name, please include contact info and a line or two as to why you think this person/s is a good choice. Don't forget to tell us what group you propose them in.

Dopo il primo anno della nostra permanenza fra voi, tocca adesso l'organizzazione del Consiglio Parrocchiale e il Consiglio delle Finanze per la Parrocchia. Siamo cercando delle persone adatte che offrono esperienza sia della nostra realtà parrocchiale e anche nei campi legati al loro servizio.

Per il **Consiglio parrocchiale** vogliamo gente che sono involuti a San Francesco e che riescano ad animare ed incoraggiare alti parrocchiani nella nostra evoluzione come comunità parrocchiale. Devono aspettare che gli incontri si tengano principalmente in inglese ma con possibilità di spiegazione in italiano delle volte. Fra i soggetti trattati avremo anche le nostre processioni, sia di venerdì santo e anche la seconda verso la fine di settembre.

Per il **Consiglio di Finanze**, ci serviranno diversi parrocchiani che hanno esperienza in varie sfere – legge fiscale, contabilità, scienze edilizie, fund raising, ecc.

FINANCE COUNCIL



Da voi chiediamo le nomine. Provvedete anche i ricapiti e qualche riga evidenziando il perché della scelta. Apprezziamo il vostro aiuto.

(Last publication – Ultimo invito)

**PARISH CELEBRATION OF
ST COSMAS AND DAMIAN,
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI,
ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL,
ST PADRE PIO**

**Today -Sunday Sept 22nd
Solemn Mass in Italian at 2:30 pm
Celebrated by
Fr Francois Mifsud, OP
Procession at 3:30 pm**

Please advise and invite your friends and family who have moved out of the area.

Venite per la celebrazione nel pomeriggio d'oggi **domenica 22 settembre**. Celebrante – **Padre François Mifsud, OP**. Passate la parola agli amici.

**Santa Messa Solenne in italiano alle 2:30 pm
Processione alle 3:30 pm**



**NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH
PER I BISOGNI DELLA CHIESA IN CANADA**



Every year, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support its work through the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. This Collection will be held in parishes across the country on **Sept. 28 and 29, 2013**.

Ogni anno, i Vescovi del Canada fanno un appello per l'assistenza finanziaria, per sostenere il loro lavoro, attraverso la raccolta per le necessità della Chiesa in Canada. **Questa raccolta si terrà nelle parrocchie il 28 e 29 di settembre 2013.**

WEEKDAY ENGLISH MORNING MASS?

We are planning to change our Wed morning 8 am Mass to an English language Mass. This will begin on Wed Oct 2nd, 2013.

Abbiamo avvisato già durante l'estate l'idea di cambiare una santa Messa feriale dall'italiano all'inglese. Il pensiero è che inizierà quest'orario con la Messa alle 8, giorno mercoledì 2 ottobre.

SOLEMNITY OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

This year's celebration of the Solemnity of St Francis will be very simple with the Solemn Bilingual Mass on Fri Oct 4th at 8 a.m.

This year we are not planning a **Transitus** at St Francis of Assisi. Those interested may participate on the eve of the feast, Thurs Oct 3rd at 7:30 pm at either **St Philip Neri Parish**, 2100 Jane Street, North York, M3M 1A1 or **St Bonaventure Parish**, 1300 Leslie Street, Don Mills, M3C 2K9.

(See page two for the St Francis Blessing of Animals.)

Marriage Banns for

Neso (Nebojsa) Marjanac and Sarina Kiu-Yan Lee.

Marriage will take place on September 28th, 2013

Robert Joseph Toteda and Teresa Venosa

Marriage will take place on October 5th, 2013

LA VENTISEIESIMA DOMENICA DI TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO C – 22 SETTEMBRE 2013

PARENTS' MEETING TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN FOR FHC & CONFIRMATION

Dear Parents and families – we will begin our programme of preparation for First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation. Last year we found it helpful to have two alternative meeting dates and times. Your child should be at least in **Grade Two for First Confession and First Communion** and **Grade Eight for Confirmation**.

Meeting Date for Parents – Parents who have not attended the Sat Sept 21st meeting, please make sure to attend the one on: Tues Oct 1st at 7 pm

Bring original Baptism Certificate + a photocopy.

We also ask you to be prepared for a \$50 materials fee.

Meeting takes place at St Francis of Assisi Church

We will take this opportunity to outline the dates to review the work completed by the family at home. Come to this meeting to ask your questions.

Please note that **there are specific requirements for a Confirmation Sponsor** – do not invite anyone into the role until you are aware of these requirements.

ST FRANCIS – BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Many Franciscan churches celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on October 4 each year. The feast commemorates the life of St Francis, who was born in the 12th century and is the patron saint of animals.



Sat, Oct. 5th at 3.30pm bring your four legged, furry, feathered or other pets for a special blessing for animals that will be given at our parish of St Francis of Assisi! – we will meet on the south lawn of the church. (ONLY in case of rain on Sat afternoon we will provide a rain date at 10:30 am the next day.) NB This event is open to non-parishioners – all are welcome.

Venite per la benedizione degli animali – sabato 5 ottobre alle ore 3:30 pm.

SUMMER VESTMENTS PARAMENTI SAGRI PER L'ESTATE



You may have noticed us using some very light Roman vestments this summer. These vestments have made our comfort level more reasonable in our warm church.

Each of the three sets was purchased for \$400. If anyone would like to donate one or more vestments, please contact us in the rectory – you may dedicate the vestment/s to the memory of a loved one or to mark a special wedding anniversary or birthday.

MASS SCHEDULE SEPT 21ST TO SEPT 29TH 2013

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

5:00 PM Giuseppe Pileggi

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

- 9:00 AM** In onore dei Santi Cosma e Damiano
Stephanie Simone; Eugenia Franco;
Pasqua Lombardi e Pasquale e Lina
Lombardi; Gilda e Gina Cosentino;
Cristina e Luigi Marcelli; Lucy Barone;
Gaetano Plati; Laura Masella;
Basilio e Franco DiLeo; Aldo Fierro
- 11:30AM** For Parishioners' Intentions
- 2:30PM** S Messa in onore dei Santi Protettori
Seguita dalla Processione nella nostra
frazione.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, FRIAR PRIEST

8:00 AM Giovanni Bertucci

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH ST PACIFIC OF SAN SEVERINO, FRIAR PRIEST

8:00 AM Vincenzo e Domenica Novielli

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

8:00 AM OFM NYC

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26TH STS COSMAS & DAMIAN, MARTYRS

8:00 AM OFM NYC

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH ST VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST

8:00 AM OFM NYC

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH ST WENCESLAUS, MARTYR

11:00 AM Wedding – Lee & Marjanac

2:00 PM Wedding – Tozzi & Galle

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH FEAST OF ST MICHAEL

- 9:00 AM** Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi;
Caterina Rizzuto; Joseph Maio;
Rocco e Maria Farella; Marco Riga;
Giovannbattista e Fam. Marchese;
Vincenzo e Marianna e Fam. Iozzo;
Defunti Famiglia Spagnuolo;
Rocco Baldassarra e Domenica
L'Europa e Fam.; Antonio Palumbo;
Maria Console e Piera Canella;
- 11:30AM** Nicola & Pietro Vinci & Margaret Hall

Children's Liturgy begins today at the 11.30 Mass