

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A – LAETARE SUNDAY – MARCH 30TH, 2014

GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION PREPARATIONS PREPARATIVI PER LA PROCESSIONE DI VENERDÌ SANTO



We have one more meeting at St Francis Parish Hall – please spread the word:

Tuesday April 8th at 7 pm

Si svolgerà un'altra riunione nella Sala della Parrocchia di San Francesco. Vi chiediamo di passare la voce:

Martedì, 8 aprile alle 7 di sera

We are asking those who would like to participate in our Good Friday Procession to get in touch with us with their details and contact info at

Goodfridaycharacters@gmail.com

Since we have been informed that previous lists have been lost to us, we need to reconstruct our lists. Your help will be greatly appreciated. We are also hoping to have some volunteers at the door of the church this weekend to collect procession volunteer info. This is also a great opportunity for **high school students in need of volunteer hours.**

TODAY IS LAETARE SUNDAY

Because the midpoint of Lent is the Thursday of the third week of Lent, **Laetare Sunday** has traditionally been viewed as a day of celebration, on which the austerity of Lent is briefly lessened. The passage from Isaiah continues, "rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow," and on Laetare Sunday, the purple vestments and altar cloths of Lent are set aside, and rose ones are used instead. Flowers, which are normally forbidden during Lent, may be placed on the altar. Traditionally, the organ was never played during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday.

Laetare Sunday is also known as **Rose Sunday** or **Refreshment Sunday**, and it has a counterpart in Advent: Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, when purple vestments are exchanged for rose ones. The point of both days is to provide us encouragement as we progress toward the end of each respective penitential season.

http://catholicism.about.com/od/holydaysandholidays/f/Laetare_Sunday.htm

DAY OF CONFESSION

"Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner: it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us just as we are. Is going to confession like a torture session? No! It is going to praise God, because I, a sinner, have been saved by Him. And is He waiting to beat me? No, he waits with tenderness to forgive me. And if tomorrow I do the same? Go again, and go and go and go. He always waits for us."



- Pope Francis

On **Wednesday, April 9, 2014**, we will be having a Day of Confessions throughout the Archdiocese. Confessions at our parish will be available from **8:45 – 11:30 am, 1 – 3 pm, 6 – 7 pm**. NB If we have a funeral, the morning times will be disrupted.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY – DOMENICA DELLE PALME

SATURDAY APRIL 12TH - SABATO 12 APRILE

MASS – 5:00PM

English

SUNDAY APRIL 13TH – DOMENICA 13 APRILE

MASS – 9:00AM

Italian

MASS – 11:30 AM

English

HOLY WEEK – LA SETTIMANA SANTA

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY APRIL 14 TO APRIL 16TH

MASS – 8:00 AM

Italian

HOLY THURSDAY – GIOVEDÌ SANTO

THURSDAY APRIL 17TH – GIOVEDÌ 17 APRILE

MASS – 8:00 PM

English & Italian

Presided over by HE Bishop William McGrattan

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: **The Altar of Repose will remain open until midnight Thursday**, and opens again at 7 am Good Friday Morning for adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

La cappella tradizionale di Riposo (sotto la chiesa) rimarrà aperta per l'adorazione dopo la messa di Giovedì Santo fino a mezzanotte. Accogliamo tra di noi il vescovo, Mons McGrattan, per la Celebrazione dell'Ultima Cena alle 20.00.

GOOD FRIDAY – VENERDÌ SANTO

FRIDAY APRIL 18TH – VENERDÌ 18 APRILE

LITURGICAL SERVICE IN ENGLISH - 11:00 AM

Presided over by HE Bishop John Boissonneau

AZIONE LITURGICA IN ITALIANO - 1:30PM

Fr. Giacinto De Gianni, OFM

PROCESSION – 3 PM

NO CONFESSIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY



HOLY SATURDAY – SABATO SANTO

SATURDAY APRIL 19TH - SABATO 19 APRILE

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY

EASTER VIGIL MASS - 8:00PM

English & Italian

EASTER SUNDAY – DOMENICA DELLA PASQUA

SUNDAY APRIL 20TH – DOMENICA 20 APRILE

MASS – 9:00AM

Italian

MASS – 11:30AM

English

LA QUARTA DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA – ANNO A – 30 MARZO 2014

PARISH COUNCIL – STUDYING THE PASTORAL PLAN OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

Last Saturday March 22nd, a group from our Parish Council joined Fr Jimmy and Fr Conrad in representing St Francis of Assisi at a meeting of Zones 4 and 6 hosted by Bishop McGrattan.

This meeting allowed us to hear about the shared journey of other parishes in our area and to brainstorm about possible ways of making our own parish ever more alive and welcoming. For more info on the Pastoral Plan for the Archdiocese of Toronto see:

<http://archtoronto.org/pastoral/>

Sabato 22 marzo, siamo stati convocati da Mons McGrattan come un gruppo rappresentativo della nostra parrocchia per studiare, insieme ad altre parrocchie, *il piano pastorale dell'arcidiocesi di Toronto*. Siamo cercando di seguire un iter che ci provvede la possibilità di animare la nostra comunità.

TODAY IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY

Working wonders in our community...

"You don't have to look far to see the wonders being worked by ShareLife... in the pews of your parish, in the homes on your street, in your neighbourhood." ShareLife agencies provide competent, faith-informed care to those who turn to them for help, regardless of their beliefs or background. Last year, over 354,000 services were provided to over 96,000 people in our Archdiocese in more than 20 languages, receiving the compassion, care and respect they rightly deserve. In addition, countless others were assisted through outreach programs around the world.



—Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Today is ShareLife Sunday

Second Collection after Holy Communion

Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!

GIORNO DELLE CONFESIONI A TORONTO

"Gesù nel confessionale non è una tintoria: è un incontro con Gesù, che ci aspetta come siamo. Allora andare a confessarsi non è andare a una seduta di tortura? No! E' andare a lodare Dio, perché io peccatore sono stato salvato da Lui. E Lui mi aspetta per bastonarmi? No, con tenerezza per perdonarmi. E se domani faccio lo stesso? Vai un'altra volta, e vai e vai e vai.... Lui sempre ci aspetta."

– Papa Francesco

Mercoledì, 9 aprile, 2014, in tutta l'Archidiocesi si terrà la giornata dedicate alle Confessioni. Nella nostra Parrocchia, le confessioni avranno luogo **dalle 8.45 alle 11.30 a.m., dalle 1 alle 3 p.m. e dalle 6 alle 7 p.m.** Nota Bene: Se c'è un funerale quel giorno, l'orario delle confessioni del mattino sarà interrotto.

Thank you!

The next meeting for The Society of St Vincent de Paul will be held this Tuesday April 1st at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.



MASS SCHEDULE MARCH 29TH TO APRIL 6TH 2014

SATURDAY, MARCH 29TH
5:00 PM Maria Rotiroti

SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH
9:00 AM Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi;
Antonio e Domenica L'Europa;
Agostino Lanzeroti e defunti Famiglia;
Giuseppe e Maria Moretti;
Antonio Pitaro; Giovanni e Elisabetta Artusa; Domenico e Maria Console;
Albina Cariata; Vincenzo Mendicino;
Finizia Mendicino

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

MONDAY MARCH 31ST

8:00 AM OFM NYC

TUESDAY, APRIL 1ST

8:00 AM Vincenzo Bellissimo

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2ND

COMMEMORATION OF ST FRANCIS OF PAOLA

8:00 AM OFM NYC

THURSDAY, APRIL 3RD

8:00 AM OFM NYC

FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH

**COMM OF ST BENEDICT THE BLACK, RELIGIOUS;
COMMEMORATION OF ST ISIDORE**

8:00 AM In onore del Sacro Cuore di Gesù

SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH

COMMEMORATION OF ST VINCENT FERRER

5:00 PM Annunziata and Domenico Carnevale

SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH

9:00 AM Pietro Petrini; Rosina Marafioti;
Nicola e Matthew Nesci;
Franco e Maria Nesci; Vincenza Longo;
Teresa, Giuseppina e Giuseppi Galati;
Maria e Giuseppe Moretti;
Giuseppe, Carmela e Giorgio Nasso;
Piera e Luisa Bertoia;
Grace e Angelo Calaminici

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

NEW LIGHTING IN ALTAR AREA

Next time you contribute to our renovations, please remember that we have just updated our lighting system surrounding the altar area. Your assistance is appreciated.

Notate che abbiamo aggiornato il sistema d'illuminazione intorno all'altare.