

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

### FHC & CONFIRMATION REMINDER

Parents and Children for **First Confession** and **First Holy Communion** are reminded that **First Reconciliation** is on  
**Saturday January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at 11am**

### FAMILIES CELEBRATE FIRST RECONCILIATION

We just want to remind families that First Reconciliation will be the celebration of a sacrament in the lives of your children.

Do not allow anyone in the family to tell our innocents scary confession stories – this could turn a beautiful moment into a traumatic moment – and we do not want that!

How will your family mark the event? A special meal? A Cake? Make sure your child remembers this as a happy day.

### ST FRANCIS – 2015 - LA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA

We begin an exciting year with many things coming up. Besides the sacraments and the spring and autumn processions, we are also celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our church building.

After the work on the rectory, we will focus more on the church this year and so we will see the continuation of renovation work – special attention needs to be paid to the roof and the plumbing of the heating system – we recently experienced more leaks and broken pipes. Our **Finance Council** will soon meet to discuss these matters and prepare for our combined Capital Campaign (planned launch is in the autumn of this year).

Our **Parish Council** also needs to meet to continue working on our Anniversary Calendar that will include participation in Toronto's **Open Doors** event in the spring and a **Parish Album/Anniversary Book**.

(NB Parish and Finance Council members should expect contact very soon to set up our meeting dates.)

Those of you who attended our 11:30 Mass last Sunday will have met **Fr Giacomo LaSelva** who grew up at St Francis and who also ministered here in his first years of priesthood. He is now serving the people of St Jane Frances de Chantal Parish at Jane and Sheppard. This was part of our desire during this centennial year to have our friends from the past come visit us.

Con l'inizio del 2015, abbiamo tanti avvenimenti da preparare. Come sempre ci sono i sacramenti e le processioni (primavera: Venerdì Santo e autunno: i Santi Protettori).

Dobbiamo programmare **il ritorno al convento e gli uffici parrocchiale a 72 Mansfield** e poi i lavori – come priorità abbiamo il tetto della chiesa e i tubi del riscaldamento. Dopo già quasi due anni di lavoro dobbiamo avviare un appello per partecipare nel programma diocesana di "Family of Faith" combinata con un "Capitol Campaign che ci permetterà di contribuire al futuro della Chiesa a Toronto e allo stesso tempo di incominciare a saldare i debiti per i lavori attuali e futuri.

#### Rectory and Parish Restoration Project Update

see/vedete: [www.stfrancis.ca](http://www.stfrancis.ca)

#### Aggiornamenti a riguardo

del Progetto di Restauro della Rettoria e della Parrocchia

### COMMUNITY MASS COMMENTS

Following our announcement that you may take advantage of booking masses for the whole year up to December 2015, we have to touch upon the requests made by some parishioners who find it necessary to mention the individual names of deceased family members in such a way that it takes up a couple of lines in the bulletin under the 9 am Community Mass intentions. One has to realise that we have a limited space and as a result we are unable to accommodate everyone. We would kindly ask you to keep your intentions concise and specific.

Vi chiediamo la gentilezza di ricordare che la nostra usanza è di **NON mettere più di due nomi per un'intenzione**. Al massimo, potete raccogliere i nomi dei vostri cari defunti sotto il titolo di una o due famiglie. La vostra collaborazione va molta apprezzata.

Vi chiediamo di notare che arrivano giorni dove non ci sono nomi dei defunti durante la settimana – dove vedete OFM NYC.

### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE GIORNATA MONDIALE DELLA VITA CONSACRATA FEB 2, 2015

On Monday, Feb 2, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 1,000 religious men and women of over 100 different religious congregations. This World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

**On Sunday, February 1, 2015 at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica**, there will be a special Mass presided by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such an important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our archdiocese. All are welcome.

### CARDINAL COLLINS – COURAGE APOSTOLATE

You will notice a copy of Cardinal Collins' January 16<sup>th</sup> letter affirming the Courage Apostolate that ministers to men and women experiencing same-sex attraction. Courage also carries out EnCourage – a ministry to assist parents in understanding and supporting their loved ones experiencing same-sex attractions.

You can also find a number of brochures on the tables behind the last pew of the church.



LA TERZA DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO B – 25 GENNAIO 2015

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD-  
FESTA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE DEL SIGNORE**



**Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>** is the feast of the **Presentation of Our Lord**. The Church celebrates this feast - The Feast of the Purification which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day for the traditional blessing and distribution of candles on that day. It is customary to bring candles from home, (candles for the family altar, Advent candles, etc) to be blessed that one uses for devotional purposes

and candles to be lit when the priests visits the sick to bring them Holy Communion or administer the Sacrament of Anointing for the Sick.

Parishioners are invited heir own candles to be blessed at the start of the Mass. (To those who are interested and for donation of \$5, we will also have some boxed pairs of 51% beeswax candles available, until quantities last.)

Lunedì 2 febbraio è la Festa in cui si celebra Cristo come luce che illumina le genti e debba essere posto nel contesto del mistero pasquale, la forza redentrica della morte e risurrezione di Cristo. All'inizio della Santa Messa si potrà compiere la benedizione delle candele, secondo il Rito del Messale Romano.

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> – St BLAISE  
BLESSING OF THE THROATS  
SAN BIAGIO, VESCOVO E MARTIRE**

The Blessing of the Throats is observed on the feast day of Saint Blaise which falls on **Tuesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. **Throats will be blessed after the 8am. Mass** and the prayer for the blessing is:

*Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, Bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness.*

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Dopo la Santa Messa delle 8, martedì il 3 di febbraio**, si potrà impartire la benedizione della gola. Per la benedizione, si pronuncia la seguente formula:

*Per l'intercessione di San Biagio  
Vescovo e martire  
Che Dio ti liberi da ogni mal di gola  
E da ogni altro male  
Nel nome del Padre, e del Figlio  
E dello Spirito Santo. Amen*



**"Awakening to the Spirit in Times of Suffering - What to do with my experience?":** Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge Street Toronto. Inspirational Talk hosted by Catholic Family Services of Toronto – New Beginnings. Speaker:

Maureen McDonnell, D.Min. For more information, please contact 416-921-1163 x 2235 or email: [mabenincasa@cfstoronto.com](mailto:mabenincasa@cfstoronto.com)

**MASS SCHEDULE  
JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup> TO FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2015**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**3:00 PM** Wedding: Franco Gabriele Tuzi & Karine Elizabeth Kjeldsen

**5:00 PM** Maria Pia Cioffi

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>**

**9:00 AM** Giovanni, Carlo e Famiglia Barbati; Defunti Francesco, Giuseppe e Vincenza; Defunti genitori Mirabella e Botticelli; Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi; Caterina Rizzuto; Michele Nirgo; Domenico e Maria Facciolo e Def. Fam. Raffaele Profiti e Caterina Buonavota; Francesco Garcea e Giuseppa Profiti; Luigi Lengua

**11:30 AM** For Parishioners' Intetnions

**MONDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>  
Ss. TIMOTHY & TITUS, BISHOPS**

**8:00 AM** Giovanni Olimpio

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>  
ST ANGELA MERICI, THIRD ORDER RELIGIOUS**

**8:00 AM** Defunti Famiglia Taliana

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**ST THOMAS AQUINAS,  
PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

**8:00 AM** OFM NYC

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**8:00 AM** Defunti Famiglia Carabot

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**ST HYACINTH OF MARISCOTTI, VIRGIN**

**8:00 AM** OFM NYC

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>**

**ST JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST**

**5:00 PM** For Parishioners' Intentions

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**9:00 AM** In onore della Madonna della Pietra  
Francesco Franze;  
John e Maude Anastasi;  
Graziano Rotiroti

**11:30 AM** Elisa Pelaia