
**GOOD BYE & THANK YOU TO ANNA
SALUTIAMO E RINGRAZIAMO ANNA**

Anna has been with us for both the transfer out to Manning and the return to Mansfield. Shortly after Christmas, she informed us that, for personal reasons, she had come to the decision to leave after Easter. She has certainly become an integral part of the Parish team and her departure will leave a void. At the same time, we are happy that she will have more time to devote to her family. Best wishes and thank you!

We are already preparing for a new replacement. However during the interim we have a lady who will be covering the basic day-to-day administration of the office. We ask for your patience and understanding.

Anna ci è stata vicina nel trasferimento a Manning e al ritorno a Mansfield. Poco dopo il santo Natale ci ha informato che voleva lasciarci dopo Pasqua per motivi personali. Certamente che si è fatta parte integrale dell'equipe parrocchiale e la sua partenza ci lascia un vuoto. Allo stesso tempo, siamo felici che avrà più tempo a dedicare alla sua famiglia. Auguri e grazie!

Siamo già preparando di acquistare una nuova persona. Durante il "sede vacante" avremo una signora che cercherà di venire incontro all'amministrazione ordinaria dell'ufficio. Vi chiediamo la pazienza e la comprensione.

WHY ARE THE STATUES VEILED?

It is customary to veil devotional images and crosses from the 5th Sunday of Lent until the Easter Vigil. This ancient custom has much to commend in it terms of religious psychology, because it helps us to concentrate on the great essentials of Christ's work of Redemption. Devotional images will remain veiled until the Easter Vigil. The Cross will be solemnly unveiled during the liturgy of Good Friday.

Volunteers Needed to Decorate & Clean Church

A team of volunteers will be needed on Good Friday for two hours to help clean and prepare the church for the Easter Vigil. Volunteers are requested to meet in the church **at the front of the altar at 6:00 pm** – right after the Good Friday Procession. Thank you.

Se volete aiutarci nella preparazione della chiesa per la vigilia di Pasqua, vi chiediamo di presentarvi nella chiesa subito dopo la processione di venerdì santo – intorno alle 6 di sera. Siamo fiduciosi che i lavori saranno terminati in due ore.

Evening Masses Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday

St Alphonsus Church at 540 St Clair Ave West
English Mass March 29th & April 5 at 7:30 pm

St Peter's Church at 659 Markham Str., March 29th at 6 pm

St Philip Neri Church 2100 Jane Str. March 29th at 8 pm

St Michael's Cathedral March 29th 5 pm and 9 pm
April 5th at 5 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY PONTIFICAL COLLECTION
FOR THE HOLY LAND**

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday April 3, 2015. As we respond to this appeal, the visit of Pope Francis in the Holy Land from May 24 to 26, 2014 vividly comes to mind and we revisit the words of Scripture that marked his prayer at the Holy Sepulchre: "I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as He said. Come; see the place where the Lord lay." (Matthew 28: 5-6)

The Pontifical Collection of Good Friday is a unique moment of loyalty to the Resurrection of the Christ Jesus and of solidarity with the Christians who are the "living stones" of those consecrated places. We are invited to this gesture of commemoration and unity for the benefit of the Holy Places and Christians so as to give a tangible form to the remembrance of the Christ Jesus and the constant support of our present day brothers and sisters!

With gratitude,
Gilles Bourdeau, OFM
Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada



EASTER FLOWER DONATION ENVELOPES

Thank you to all those who have used their special envelopes to contribute to defraying the costs of **our Easter Flowers** and for that matter to our **Palms** for today.

This week we prepared a cheque for \$791.00 for our flower suppliers. There will be a second cheque that needs to go out for palms. Last Sunday a number of parishioners contributed a total of \$150 toward these expenses.



Grazie a chi ha preparato le buste apposite per contribuire oggi a scontare **le spese per le palme e dei fiori per la Santa Pasqua**. Abbiamo preparato un assegno di \$791 per i fiori per giovedì santo e la santa Pasqua. Arriverà un'altra fattura per le palme. Fin adesso i contributi sono arrivati a \$150.

**GOOD FRIDAY COURTESY TOWS
RIMORCHIO DI CORTESIA**

On **Good Friday morning**, cars parked along the procession route receive a "courtesy tow" from our friends at the Toronto Police Services. If you have forgotten to move your car and find that it has been towed **please phone 416 808 6600 to find out where your car can be found** – usually on one of the neighbouring streets.

**Remember Good Friday is a day of
Fast and Abstinence!**

**Ricordate che il venerdì santo
è un giorno di digiuno e astinenza!**

DOMENICA DELLE PALME – ANNO B – 29 MARZO 2015

JOINING THE GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION – FATTEVI PARTE DELLA PROCESSIONE DI VENERDÌ SANTO

This coming Friday April 3rd 2015, we will be celebrating our **Annual Good Friday Procession**. For all parishioners and new comers that are interested in re-enacting the characters of Good Friday we ask that you send an email to Goodfridaycharacters@gmail.com. We now have a registration form at www.stfrancis.ca - there you will find an easy link to a Google form – the rest should be easy to follow.

We are also on the look out for **volunteers who will help with the street collection**. Applicants here should be adults able to move about the procession route.

Did you know that a number of the **high schoolers who volunteer** as characters or as general help are also **able to obtain recognition for their “volunteer hours”** that are required in Ontario? *Be part of this great event and work off some of your volunteer hours – a win-win situation!*

Characters still needed! **(Please note – if you delay there is more of a chance that your character will be taken. Please be ready and willing to take another character.)**

Banner 2:

15 Pious People

Banner 3:

7 Apostles

Banner 4:

Christ

3 Temple Priests

3 Temple Soldiers

Banner 5:

Pontius Pilate

2 Servants to accompany Pilate

King Herod

6 Roman Soldiers

Banner 6:

2 Roman Soldiers

Banner 7:

2 Temple Priests

2 Thieves

2 Roman Soldiers

Banner 8:

15 Pious Women

Banner 10:

John

3 Roman Soldiers

Banner 15:

Nicodemus

Joseph of Arimathea



Processione del Venerdì Santo, di inviarci una posta elettronica al Goodfridaycharacters@gmail.com

Quest'anno potete riempire un modulo dalla pagina web della parrocchia per lasciarci la vostra informazione a specificare il personaggio che desiderate raffigurare e un membro del comitato della processione di Venerdì Santo vi prenderà contatto. Faremo del nostro meglio per abbinarvi con il personaggio che vogliate rappresentare – solo che non è sempre possibile. Ricordate che inoltre all'indirizzo di posta elettronica sarebbe opportuno fornirci con ulteriori dati di contatto come ad esempio il vostro numero di telefono di ufficio o di casa.

MASS SCHEDULE MARCH 28TH TO APRIL 5TH 2015

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH

9:00 AM Vincenzo Bellissimo; Pasquale Gallippi;
Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi;
Antonio e Domenica L'Europa;
Francesco Franze; Franco Chiocca;
Famiglia Francavilla e Nardella;
Famiglia Scarturchio e Garisto;
Raffaele Galle' e Famiglia;
Giuseppe Sinopoli e Famiglia

11:30 AM Rev. Riccardo Polticchia OFM

MONDAY, MARCH 30TH

8:00 AM Fr Benedict Joseph D'Alesandro OFM

TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST

8:00 AM Fr Benedict Joseph D'Alesandro OFM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST

8:00 AM Antonio Fusillo

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND

8:00 PM English & Italian Mass – Followed by
Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD

11:00 AM Liturgical Service in English
Most Rev John Boissonneau presiding

1:30 PM Azione Liturgica in Italiano

3:00PM Good Friday Procession

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass – English & Italian

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH

SOLEMNITY: THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

9:00 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

11:30AM For Parishioners' Intentions

Characters assemble in the parish hall at 1 pm.

Venerdì, 3 aprile, 2015, celebreremo la nostra annuale processione del Venerdì Santo. Chiediamo a tutti i Parrocchiani, inclusi quelli nuovamente arrivati tra noi, che sono interessati a partecipare come figuranti nella