

SOLEMNITY OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI – YEAR B – OCTOBER 4TH, 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

FIRST COMMUNION - UNIT ONE

Sun Oct 11th at 10:30 am in the church or

Sat Oct 17th at 4 pm in the church

(Remember that parents need to accompany the children and everyone is welcome to stay for Mass after class.)

SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION MEETINGS & REGISTRATION

Registration for First Holy Communion (Grade 2) and **Confirmation** (Grades 7 & 8)

Children/candidates should be registered online at www.stfrancis.ca -parents need to do this.

After a good month of announcements in church and via our local Catholic schools, our last registration meeting was held last Tuesday. By that time we had 52 candidates for First Communion and 95 candidates for Confirmation from Grades 7 and 8. Late registrations online will close on Oct 10 followed by a late registration meeting on Wed, Oct 14 (7pm).

The requirements for this meeting and more details will arrive via the email address used in the late registrations.

Sat Oct 3rd at 3 pm – St Francis **Blessing of Animals**

Sun Oct 4th – **Solemnity of St Francis** – Plenary Indulgence Dom, 4 ott – **Solennità di San Francesco** – Indulgenza plenaria

Celebrating Our Centenary - Cardinal Collins

On October of 1915, the doors of the present church (the “new” St. Francis) were solemnly opened by His Grace Archbishop Neil McNeil.



Join us on Sunday November 8th, at 11:00 am Mass as we commemorate the 100th Anniversary of this event. This Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

Following the Mass, there will be a reception in the Parish Hall. Former and present parishioners are welcome to attend and celebrate with us as we mark another milestone in our shared history!

Please note **this Mass will be 11:00 am** (NOT 11:30) on this date only.

Celebrazione del nostro Centenario – Cardinale Collins 1915 - 2015

Nell'ottobre del 1915, i battenti dell'attuale edificio Chiesa (la “nuova” Chiesa di San Francesco) furono solennemente aperti dalla Sua Grazia, l'Arcivescovo Neil McNeil.

Siete tutti invitati a partecipare alla Santa Messa che si terrà domenica, 8 novembre alle 11:00 a.m. in occasione del centenario di tale evento storico. La Messa sarà celebrata dalla Sua Eminenza, il Cardinale Thomas Collins, Arcivescovo di Toronto.

Dopo la Messa, ci sarà un piccolo ricevimento nella Sala della Parrocchia. Tutti i parrocchiani, inclusi quelli che una volta erano parrocchiani, sono cordialmente invitati a partecipare e festeggiare insieme a noi il raggiungimento di un'altra pietra miliare nella nostra storia in comune.

Notate bene, che per quella domenica soltanto, la Santa Messa inizierà alle 11:00 a.m. (e non alle 11:30 a.m.).

Sun Nov 15 – 9 am Italian Mass - Celebrazione dei Caduti Remembrance Day (Ital)

UPDATES

This autumn you can expect to begin to hear about a parish photo directory. This is part of a project that is being worked on as another way to have a record of who we were at St Francis 100 years after our front doors opened. It is a way of belonging to the history of St Francis of Assisi Parish.

COMBINED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMING

PLANNING FEASIBILITY STUDY - FAMILY OF FAITH

INVITATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERVIEW

M & M International, church fundraising specialists, will be here to interview a broad cross section of parishioners about the repairs and plans needed here at St Francis of Assisi in the days ahead. You may be invited to participate! If you have been selected, a letter and Case for Support document was mailed to you this past week. This week a volunteer from the parish will call you to schedule an interview here at the church with a member of the M & M team. Please help us set this up as smoothly as possible – answer the call and set up your interview.

Participating in a short 45 minute confidential interview will benefit the parish and help us to plan for the work of renewing and renovating our spiritual home. You will not be asked for funds in this interview.

PROJECT HOPE – 100 REFUGEE FAMILIES

In response to the global refugee crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has launched “Project Hope,” a special emergency appeal. This **100-day campaign** aims to raise \$3 million in order to settle **100 refugee families** in the Archdiocese of Toronto as soon as possible.

To make a donation to support the appeal, visit: www.archtoronto.org or call (416) 934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI – PROJECT HOPE – REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING RINGRAZIAMO IL SIGNORE!

Next weekend (Oct 10-12) we celebrate Canadian Thanksgiving. We invite you to attend Mass and thank the Lord for all the blessings we have.

If you would like to share with the poor, we invite you to bring some canned goods with you - our parish St Vincent de Paul Society will use the canned goods to make up emergency bags for when they go to visit the poor.

Please remember that our office is closed on Thanksgiving Monday.

SOLENNITÀ DI SAN FRANCESCO D'ASSISI – ANNO B – 4 OTTOBRE 2015

NONNINA'S TABLE THIRD ANNUAL GALA

Many of you are familiar with the work that goes on at Nonnina's table. On Fri Oct 16th at 7 pm there will be a special dinner at Montecassino, 3710 Chesswood in Downsview.

For info and tickets, please contact 416 720 5864 Joan Yim or Peter Nudo.

REACHING OUT

You may have recently noticed two new and different ways that we are attempting to reach out to our community and neighbours. At the end of the summer a little clear box was affixed to the fence at the south west side entrance to the church at the street level. We have been putting the most recent bulletin in this box in the hopes that if parishioners have missed Mass at St Francis each weekend, they will be able to pick up a quick copy of the bulletin and keep up with the most recent news. We also hope that anyone who is curious will pick up a copy just to learn what is going on in our parish community. Maybe someone who is newly arrived in the community or who is looking for a spiritual home will be able to know what our service time are from the front page, what our news is from the inner pages and who our community partners are from the back page.

The second outreach is our LED sign that has been up and running for a few weeks. This gives us a way of letting anyone passing by know our regular times and special events.

How about you – do you share the info from St Francis with your friends and neighbours? Have you ever invited someone to church with you?

Avete visto la nuova insegna elettronica. È un modo di avvisare la nostra gente e i vicini di ciò che celebriamo a San Francesco. E adesso abbiamo messo una casetta trasparente vicino alla porta laterale. D'entro, chi non è venuto a Messa riesce ad acquistare un bollettino corrente.

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLIC

Now that we have our First Communion and Confirmation students organized it is time to turn toward our adults.

We have collected a number of adults who have never been confirmed but who are already Catholic. At this point we are planning a number of meetings following Sunday 11:30 am Masses. If you are interested, please contact the parish by email.

We have also had a request to bring someone into the Catholic Church. This will require more preparation but once we begin the process. Do you know of anyone who is interested in exploring the Catholic faith and perhaps eventually joining the Church.

**MASS SCHEDULE
OCTOBER 3RD TO 11TH 2015**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

5:00 PM Ferdinando Taddeo

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

OUR HOLY FATHER
FRANCIS OF ASSISI,
FOUNDER OF
THE THREE ORDERS



9:00 AM In onore della Santa Croce
e di Sant'Onofrio
Giuliano, Domenico e Caterina e Def.
Fam.; Mariano, Fiorina e Franco Greco;
Cioffi Family; Caterina Mandarano;
Pace Gianffiore e Mario Pace;
Robertina John-Charles;
Steper John-Charles;
Giuseppe Bertucci e Famiglia;
Giovanni and Elisabetta Artusa

11:30 AM Living and Deceased Franciscans

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

8:00 AM Giuseppe Antonio e Rosina Bertucci

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH
BL. MARIE-ROSE DUROCHER, VIRGIN
ST BRUNO, PRIEST

8:00 AM Francesco Febbraro

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH
OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

8:00 AM Cairo Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

8:00 AM Famiglia Cascamo

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

SAINT DENIS, BISHOP & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

8:00 AM Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

5:00 PM Giuseppe Pileggi

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

9:00 AM Per tutte le Anime del Purgatorio;
Francesco Pingitore; Giuseppe e Vittoria
Carnovale e Rosario Simonetta;
D'Ambrosio e Caggiano e Famiglia;
Famiglia Fierra e Cioffi;
Salvatore Amato e Famiglia;
Maria e Lucio Gemmedi;
Domenico e Vito Corrado;
Lucio e Maria Gemmiti;
Marco Riga

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions