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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### FIRST COMMUNION - UNIT ONE

Sat Oct 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 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](http://www.stfrancis.ca) - parents need to do this.

Late registrations online were closed on Oct 10. The final registration meeting is being held on Wed Oct 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

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

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

### 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.

Help Us Decorate the Altar: For this occasion we are planning to decorate the Altar with flowers. Envelopes marked “Altar Flowers” are at the rear of the church for donations. Flowers purchased will be used for the November 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> weekend. All flowers will be arranged by volunteers. Help us make the church more beautiful and memorable!

### 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.).

## 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.

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## COMBINED CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMING

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### PLANNING FEASIBILITY STUDY - FAMILY OF FAITH

We are most grateful to all those parishioners who gave so generously and thoughtfully of their time during the initial interviews held by M & M International. The information gathered will be invaluable for the campaign.

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## PROJECT HOPE – 100 REFUGEE FAMILIES

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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](http://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.

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## HAPPY THANKSGIVING RINGRAZIAMO IL SIGNORE!

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This 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.

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## MARRIAGE BANNS

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There is a promise of marriage between  
**Matthew Paul Nemeth and Chiarina Sparaco.**

*Please pray for the couple and all others preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.*

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## Come Celebrate the Sisters of St Joseph

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The Sisters of St Joseph of Toronto invite you to celebrate this *Year of Consecrated Life* with a ‘come and go’ tea and ministry display at Fontbonne Ministries, 791 Queen St East on Sunday, November 1, 2015 - 1-4 in the afternoon.

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## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *Nostra Aetate*

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Please note that the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has recently released a document entitled “A Church in Dialogue: The Catholic Church and Interreligious Dialogue.” You are encouraged to download this timely and informative text from the CCCB website: [http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Nostra\\_Aetate\\_-\\_50th\\_Anniversary.pdf](http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Nostra_Aetate_-_50th_Anniversary.pdf).

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### NONNINA'S TABLE THIRD ANNUAL GALA

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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.

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### REACHING OUT

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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.

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?

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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.

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### CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLIC

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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?

<p><b>MASS SCHEDULE</b> <b>OCTOBER 10TH TO 18TH 2015</b></p>
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**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;  
Domenico e Vito Corrado;  
Lucio e Maria Gemmiti;  
Marco Riga

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH**  
**THANKSGIVING DAY MASS**

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Friars

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH**

8:00 AM Luigi Spatola

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH**  
**ST CALLISTUS I, POPE & MARTYR**

8:00 AM Angelo Ciavarella

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH**  
**ST TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN & DOCTOR**  
**OF THE CHURCH**

8:00 AM Toni e Sebastiano Urciuoli

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH**  
**ST MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE, RELIGIOUS**

8:00 AM Raffaele Martino

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH**  
**ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP &**  
**MARTYR**

1:00 PM *Wedding Mass*

Chiara Sparaco & Matthew Nemeth

5:00 PM Giuseppe, Carmelo e Georgio Nasso

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH**

9:00 AM Alberto Borone e Emilio Gagliardi;  
Giuseppina Frolo e Teresina Gulli;  
Amoroso e Orcomeno e Famiglia;  
Pasquale e Maria Pia Cioffi;  
Mariano e Fiorina Greco e Famiglia;  
Teresa Pepe e Pasqua Consiglio;  
Domenico e Maria Teresa Pileggi;  
Domenico e Rosina Marafioti;  
Marco Riga; Agostino Lanzeroti e  
Famiglia Fazzeri

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions