
FHC & CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL INFO

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE FAMILIES

REHEARSAL DATE - **Monday April 25th at 6:30 pm**
St. Francis of Assisi School Families & others
scheduled for Confirmation on Fri April 29

Candidates and their Sponsors meet in the **Parish Hall**

SPONSORS – Please remember that there will be an opportunity for Confession immediately following the rehearsal.

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATE FAMILIES

REHEARSAL DATE – **Tuesday April 26th 2016 at 6:30 pm**

St. Francis of Assisi School Families & others

scheduled for First Holy Communion on Sat April 30

Parent/Guardian & Child to attend – **starting in Parish Hall**

CONFIRMATION MASS

St. Francis of Assisi School: Friday April 29th (7 pm Mass)

Schedule: 5 pm Hall open & Gowns available from 6 pm
6:30 Group Picture (on Parish steps - weather permitting)
6:45 Procession into the Church - Candidates & Sponsors
7 pm Mass begins

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

St. Francis of Assisi School: Saturday April 30th (5 pm Mass)

Schedule: 3 pm Hall open & Gowns available
4:30 Group Picture (on Parish steps - weather permitting)
4:45 Procession into the Church
5 pm Mass begins

In addition to the group portrait, the photographer will be available 1 ½ hours before each Mass in the Parish Hall for individual and family photos. It is always up to families if they want to avail themselves of this service.



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through Catholic agencies*

Working wonders for our new arrivals in Canada...

“As an Iraqi Christian, the Office for Refugees (ORAT) has provided me with the opportunity to meet other people who have experienced the same thing that I have. We are able to help support each other in this new journey to Canada and without ORAT, I do not know where I would be today. It is possible I would still be in Jordan, afraid for my life, unable to practice my religion, and under threat of deportation. The work that ORAT did truly gave me hope and a chance at life free from persecution and fear. ORAT has also invited me to volunteer with them, and I am even able to sponsor a new person or family to come to Canada with their help.”

—Sara, a Christian refugee from Iraq.

Since 2009, ShareLife-supported ORAT has sponsored over 2,500 families to be resettled in the GTA.

Next ShareLife Sunday is **May 29, 2016**
Please give generously. Together we can work wonders!

“Operando meraviglie tra i nuovi arrivati in Canada...”

“Come cristiana iracheno, l'ufficio per i rifugiati (ORAT) mi ha fornito l'opportunità di incontrare altre persone che hanno sperimentato la stessa situazione. Siamo in grado di contribuire a sostenere l'un l'altro in questa nuova avventura in Canada e senza ORAT, non so dove sarei oggi. Probabilmente sarei ancora in Giordania, temendo per la mia vita, non in grado di praticare la mia religione e sotto la minaccia di deportazione. Il lavoro che ha fatto ORAT veramente mi ha dato speranza e la possibilità di una vita libera dalla persecuzione e dalla paura. ORAT mi ha anche invitato a fare volontariato con loro, e oggi col loro aiuto sono persino in grado di sponsorizzare una nuova persona o famiglia a venire in Canada.” —una rifugiata cristiana dell'Iraq. Dal 2009, ORAT, sostenuta da ShareLife, ha sponsorizzato oltre 2.500 famiglie a stabilirsi ad essere reinsediate nella GTA.

Il 29 maggio 2016 è la prossima Domenica dedicata a ShareLife

Donate generosamente. Insieme possiamo compiere meraviglie!

AN EVENING IN ETHIOPIA

April 28th at St. Joan of Arc Church at 7 pm

Did you know that Ethiopia is going through its worst drought in 50 years? Join us on **April 28th at St. Joan of Arc Church at 7 pm** (1701 Bloor St West just east of the Keele Subway) for **An Evening in Ethiopia**. Members of Development and Peace who travelled to Ethiopia this past summer will share their experiences. Come hear first-hand how Development and Peace is making a difference in helping communities in Ethiopia overcome the many challenges they face. Light refreshments will be served and Fairtrade products will be available for sale. There is no charge for this event. Development and Peace is a ShareLife agency. Thank you for your support of ShareLife.

FAITH, FINANCE and SELF-KNOWLEDGE: A CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT SEMINAR

Saturday, May 7 – 8:30 am to 4:15 pm

**St. Gabriel's Passionist Parish
670 Sheppard Ave. E., North York**

Join us for our young adult seminar as we explore how to integrate our Catholic faith in everyday life! If you have always wondered how you can be more involved in the growth of your spiritual life, this is definitely a seminar you don't want to miss. Guest Speakers: Fr. Brandon Recana CP, Quentin Schesniuk and Rose Heron.

Cost: \$15 (lunch included)

Registration: pauline.susanto@gmail.com

MARRIAGE BANNS

The marriage between Brent Alan Dewell and Rodelyn Porras Bacongallo will take place on Sat May 7, 2016.

Please remember to pray for this couple and all other couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Francis. This is one of the way in which we support our parishioners.

**STREET PROCESSION WITH THE ICON OF
OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Tuesday, April 26th - 6:30 pm

Starts at St. Michael's Cathedral, (65 Bond St., Toronto)
Ends at St. Patrick's Church (131 McCaul St., Toronto)

Commemorating *the 150th Anniversary of the Restoration of the Icon to Public Veneration*. Join us for a street procession from St. Michael's Cathedral to St. Patrick's Church. Following the procession, we will celebrate devotions and Mass at St. Patrick's Church around 8 pm. Mary continues to be a mother, a model of Christian discipleship, and our perpetual help by interceding on our behalf and assisting us with her prayers.

WEB: www.stpatrickstoronto.ca

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK
"Opening Doors of Mercy" (May 1st--6th, 2016)**

CATHOLIC EDUCATION
OPENING DOORS OF MERCY

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2016, which runs from May 1st to 6th. For more than 160 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more information about Catholic Education Week, visit www.goodnewsforall.ca.

**CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES
WALK-IN COUNSELLING**

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is pleased to announce that Walk-In counselling services will be available at their central office at Yonge and Summerhill starting from Tuesday, April 5th, 2016. Their professional counselling staff is trained to offer same-day services to clients who have an urgent need to speak with a counsellor. The single-session consultation is aimed at helping individuals, couples or family clients identify and address their concerns. No appointment required.

HOURS: every Tuesday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

PHONE: 416-921-1163

EMAIL: info@cfstoronto.com

ADDRESS: 1155 Yonge St., Suite 100, Toronto M4T 1W2

**TAIZE PRAYER INVITATION
April 27th, 2016 @ 6:30 pm**

The Presentation Brothers are hosting their monthly

TAIZE PRAYER SESSION

Wednesday, April 27th, 2016 @ 6:30 pm

At the Friary @ 15 Laxton Avenue in Parkdale
(Queen & Lansdowne)
Telephone: 416-537-0327

"So you had not the strength to keep awake with me for one hour?" Lk 26:40

(You are invited to bring a non-perishable item for the Missionaries of Charity)

Light refreshments will be served. Limited Parking Available.

**MASS SCHEDULE
April 23rd to May 1st 2016**

SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD

ST GEORGE, MARTYR

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH

9:00 AM Franco Greco e Famiglia;
Antonio e Nunziata Greco;
Franco Chiocca; Pietro Cugliari;
Rocco Carnevale; Pasquale Gallippi;
Giuseppe & Francesco Sisi;
Patricia Maio Maclean e Giuseppe Maio

11:30 AM Caterina Rizzuto

MONDAY, APRIL 25TH

ST MARK, EVANGELIST

8:00 AM Giovanni Olimpio

TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH

8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27TH

8:00 AM Alvio & John Di Florio

THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH

ST PETER CHANEL, PRIEST & MARTYR

8:00 AM Giuseppe, Carmela e Giorgio Nasso

FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA,

VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:00 AM

7:00 PM Confirmation Mass
(St. Francis of Assisi School and others)

SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH

ST MARIE OF THE INCARNATION, RELIGIOUS

5:00 PM First Holy Communion Mass
(St. Francis of Assisi School and others)
For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY, MAY 1ST

9:00 AM In onore di Sant'Onofrio e Santa Croce
In onore della Madonna di Monserrato
Maria Costantino e Domenico Galati;
Giuseppina Marrello; Gregorio Cullipo
Famiglie Moretti e Pontrelli;
Antonia Altomonte; Domenico Antonio
Donato;

11:30 AM Jeanine Crea