

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2017

Thank you to all the families who pre-registered online and came out to the info meetings (there were three to choose from) to complete their child's registration.

Thank you also to the parish catechists, parish staff and school staff from St Francis and Pope Francis Schools who worked hard at getting the word out and organizing things.

### UNIT ONE AND ENROLMENT FOR FIRST CONFESSION/COMMUNION

Today - **Sun Oct 16<sup>th</sup>** and **Sat Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>** our families for First Confession/First Holy Communion will be attending their first meeting that will cover Unit One. At the regular parish Mass following the Catechism Class, our children will be called forward for a special blessing and to receive their Crucifix that will mark the beginning of their journey to these sacraments.

## ADULT BAPTISMS, WELCOMING NEW CATHOLICS, PREPARING ADULTS FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND/OR CONFIRMATION

### WHAT IS RCIA?

It is an initiation process by which individuals are received into the fullness of the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

It is a journey of conversion comprised of four stages and Rites, a time of formation, a faith journey, and a time to discuss how Jesus has worked in one's life.

The format includes prayer and instruction in Catholic traditions and teaching, along with discussion. RCIA provides the opportunity for one to come to know Christ personally through the Catholic Christian Community.

### WHO IS THE RCIA INTENDED FOR? ... someone who

- Has never been baptized and desires to learn more about the Catholic Church and its teachings, with the goal of becoming a Catholic Christian.
- Was baptized in another Christian faith-tradition and desires to be in full communion with the Catholic Church
- Was baptized Catholic and desires completion of the Christian Initiation Sacraments: CONFIRMATION and/or Holy Eucharist.
- A Returning Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while and desires to become fully reconciled in order to once again receive the Sacraments.

*Text borrowed from St Anthony Abbott Parish, Brooksville, FL*

## PARISH HEAD COUNT OCTOBER 15/16 & 22/23, 2016

You may notice that heads are being counted over these weekends. This is happening throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. These numbers help in the evaluation of the viability of the parishes of the Archdiocese. Over the past three years our numbers have NOT increased NOR have they decreased.

## SVDP THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



With Thanksgiving this past week and as we are entering into the cooler seasons we thank you for having considered the poor and needy with your donations of canned goods. St. Vincent de Paul will use the canned goods to make emergency bags for when they go to visit the poor.

## ALL SOULS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER SS ANIME A NOVEMBRE - BUSTE

This is just a reminder that as is customary, we will be celebrating 30 Masses throughout November for the Holy Souls. If you want to list your dear departed, **you may want to prepare these envelopes for next weekend in order that they be processed before November 2nd.** You will find your envelope in your packet that gets mailed to your home if you are a registered envelope user or you can find others at the entrance to the church. Of course, before or after Nov 2nd, God will always accept your prayers for the Faithful Departed.

Please note: **Wed Nov 2nd – All Souls Day - Mass at 8 am** in Italian & **a special Mass at 7 pm** in English and Italian.

V'invitiamo a preparare **le vostre buste per le sante anime nel mese di novembre.** Così le buste saranno già arrivate e preparate prima dell'inizio di questo mese dei defunti. Troverete queste buste o nel pacco che arriva a casa vostra quattro volte all'anno o ci sono buste apposite all'entrata della chiesa. Sapete bene che le vostre preghiere per i fedeli defunti vanno accettati sempre dal Signore della Vita.

Notate Bene – mercoledì 2 novembre – Giorno dei Fedeli Defunti – **Messa alle 8 am** in italiano e **una Messa speciale alle 7 pm** in inglese e italiano.

## COME AND SEE WEEKEND HELD BY THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS



**Come and See Weekend** – Friday, Nov. 4 to Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016 at St. Augustine's Seminary. Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Please contact the Office of Vocations at: (416) 968-0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org

## OUR FRIENDS FROM VESCIO FUNERAL HOME

After Masses today (Sunday) our friends from Vescio's will be offering some coffee and baked goods. It is an opportunity to have a moment to meet other parishioners before moving on with the rest of your day. Many folks from other parishes and traditions can talk about missing a sense of fellowship. This is an opportunity to reach out to fellow parishioners. Thanks to the Vescio staff for hosting this event.

Dopo le Sante Messa stamattina (domenica) i nostri amici di Vescio c'invitano per un caffè. E' anche un'opportunità per incontrare gli amici (anche nuovi amici) che vogliono trovare un'atmosfera di comunità a san Francesco. Cosa fai - vieni o cerchi una scusa ☺

**XXIX DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO C – 16 OTTOBRE 2016**

**SOME PARISH UPDATES - AGGIORNAMENTI**

Sunday **November 13th** - 9 am Mass in Italian for “The Fallen” - War Dead.

Domenica 13 novembre alle 9 a.m. - **Santa Messa in italiano per “i caduti in guerra”.**

**PLANNING TO BE A CATHOLIC TEACHER?**

It is critical for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic school board in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you (or if your adult child) is planning TO apply to teach in a Catholic school, it is highly recommended you contact the pastor before Thanksgiving. Please plan to have a conversation with your pastor early in the process and you will avoid disappointment and stress at the time when applications are to be submitted.

**LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING**

The Office of Formation for Discipleship will be offering the Lay Pastoral Visitors Training beginning on October 29, 2016 for three weeks. This training is designed to prepare lay persons to provide pastoral visits and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins of our parish communities. Participants are required to attend all three Saturdays. Please bring your own lunch. There is no cost to attend, however registration is required. For further information, please visit: <https://www.archtoronto.org/our-catholic-faith/programs-and-workshops> or call (416) 934-3400 ext. 523

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY  
SPECIAL COLLECTION, OCT 23, 2016**

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. Every Parish across the world will celebrate this unique Sunday. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and Mission. Your prayers and donations will help support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is beginning, where it is new. Please be as generous as possible to the collection for the Propagation of the Faith for more than 1200 dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Pacific Islands and some of our Canadian dioceses that depend on the World Mission Collection.

Domenica prossima è la Giornata Missionaria Mondiale. E' una domenica particolare che viene celebrata in tutte le Parrocchie del mondo. Segno globale della Chiesa Missionaria Universale. La vostra collaborazione attraverso la preghiera e il sostegno economico aiuterà a mantenere Chiese, ospedali e scuole e a promuovere le vocazioni nei paesi dove la Chiesa è appena agli inizi cioè dov'è ancora giovane. Vi invitiamo a contribuire generosamente alla colletta a favore della Propagazione della Fede la quale opera in oltre 1200 diocesi dell'Asia, l'Africa, l'America Latina, l'Oceania ed in alcune delle nostre diocesi canadesi che sono sostenuti dalla Colletta Missionaria Mondiale.

**LOST AND FOUND**

A kindle reader was found in the Church. If you have lost it please come and claim it at the office.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

October 15<sup>th</sup> to October 23<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**ST. TERESA OF JESUS,**

**VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

5:00 PM

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>**

9:00 AM

Basilio e Francesco Dileo  
Giuseppina Froio e Teresina Gulli  
Giuseppe, Carmela, Giorgio e Annunziata  
Nasso; Domenico e Maria Polerā  
Agostino Lanzeroti e Famiglia Fazari  
Francesco and Maurizio Dileo  
Basilio Dileo; Emilio Bartelli

11:30 AM

For Parishioners' Intentions

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP AND MARTYR**

8:00 AM

Ida & Salvatore Amato e Famiglia

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**FEAST OF ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST**

8:00 AM

Raffaele Martino

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA, FRIAR PRIEST**

8:00 AM

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**BL. CONTARDO FERRINI, III ORDER**

8:00 AM

Rosa Donato

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**ST. CALLISTUS I, POPE & MARTYR**

8:00 AM

Imena Metallo

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

**ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE**

5:00 PM

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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>**

9:00 AM

Domenico e Maria Teresa Pileggi  
Domenico e Vito Corrado  
Giuseppe e Francesco Sisi  
Giovanni, Carlo e Famiglia Barbati  
Orcomeno Carmela  
Michele Caccamo, Michele e Gerarda  
Tersigni; Pasquale Gallippi  
Amoroso & Orcomeno e Famiglia

11:30 AM

Maria Santaguida