
**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND
CONFIRMATION 2017**

Preparing for Eucharist

This is just a reminder to our Grade 2 families preparing for First Communion that **the Unit 2 class (covering chapters 3 & 4) will be offered today Sun Feb 19th at 10:30 am and Sat Feb 25th at 4:00 pm**, for those who miss the first session.

Class will be followed by a regularly scheduled weekend Mass so that the family can fulfill its Sunday obligation.

We ask you to have your **First Communion child or Confirmation Candidate wear his/her crucifix when coming to class and Mass**. This reminds our parishioners to pray for them and for you.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR
THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul, Saint Francis of Assisi Conference, is looking for new members to serve the poor. If you feel that you are being called to serve the Lord but don't know what you should do, here is your answer!

Call 416.536.8195 and leave a message in the **St Vincent De Paul voicemail box** or email Marion da Ponte at mariondaponte@gmail.com and we will help you get started.

VOLUNTEERS - VARIOUS

READERS: As often happens, people move on in life. We are noticing that often times our weekend liturgies have only one reader and in the summer time there have been days on which nobody shows up. Please contact us via email if you would be interested in serving the community in this way.

We are also looking for folks who would be able to fill out the ranks of our **COLLECTION COUNTERS**. Ideally, this would be a commitment on one Sunday a month. Let us know if you think that you have a knack for this type of service.

MARRIAGE WEEKEND - ARCHDIOCESE

Last weekend our married couples were blessed during our Masses. During this past week, many people celebrated St Valentine's Day as well. **Cardinal Collins wrote a letter to our married couples** and copies are available at the entrance to the church in English, Italian and Portuguese.

Resources for couples, parishes, and widowed, separated and divorced persons are available online
<https://www.archtoronto.org/marriage>

Dopo il festeggiamento del sacramento del matrimonio nella fine settimana scorsa, tanti hanno celebrato anche la ricorrenza di san Valentino. Su eminenza, il Cardinale Collins ha scritto una lettera alle coppie sposate. Copie in italiano sono a disposizione nell'entrata della chiesa.



FAMILY OF FAITH - ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

As we go to print on **Thurs Feb 9th** the secretary of the Family of Faith Campaign tells us that we have pledges over the next five years totalling **\$456,695.00** That is just an amazing amount of generosity and trust in Divine Providence.

Please continue to be faithful to your pledge.



**SLATE ROOF TILE SPONSORSHIP
SPONSORIZZAZIONI DI UNA TEGOLA D'ARDESIA DEL TETTO**

Many of you will be aware that we released pamphlets in English, Italian and Portuguese on our **Slate Roof Tile Sponsorship**. This provides present and former parishioners with an opportunity to sponsor a slate tile that will go on our new roof. Part of this includes a text written on the underside of the tile - a way of memorializing your living or dead family and friends - perhaps an anniversary, marriage, baptism or birthday?

Chiedeteci - ci sono dépliant tradotti anche in italiano con tutti i dettagli.

So far the response has been positive. Any amount arriving now will be part of your income tax receipt for donations in 2017. To clarify - this will be a ONE TIME donation of \$100 per tile.

Le tegole vanno per una cifra di \$100 l'una per un ricordo che deve durare per 100 anni. Tanti di voi già avete fatto la vostra offerta - grazie per la vostra generosità. Il Signore vi premierà!

You may find pamphlets in the various languages at the entrance to the church. Examples of the slate are in the baptismal chapel to the right of our main altar.

ONLINE DONATIONS

You can now donate online to the parish:
<https://community.archtoronto.org/page.aspx?pid=407>
When you choose the parish we are the fifth one on the list.

LA SESTA DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO- ANNO A - 19 FEBBRAIO 2017

DAY OF SPIRITUAL RECOLLECTION RITIRO DI QUARESIMA VILLA COLOMBO

Let us prepare for Easter 2017 in the beautiful surroundings of **Villa Colombo, at 40 Playfair Ave**, a day of Recollection will be held on **Wednesday March 15, 2017** starting at **9:30am-3:30pm**. For more information call 416-789-2113 ext. 2220. The cost is \$40.00. **TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR. Please make cheque or money order payable to Villa Colombo before March 10, 2017.** Send to the attention of Mirella Ialongo

PREPARIAMOCI PER LA PASQUA 2017 CON UNA GIORNATA DI RACCOGLIMENTO SPIRITUALE IN LINGUA ITALIANA

Nel familiare ambiente di **Villa Colombo al 40 Playfair Ave.** Toronto, si terra' una giornata di Raccoglimento Spirituale: **MERCOLEDI, 15 Marzo 2017**, sotto la guida spirituale del **CAPPELLANO PADRE RAFFAELE PAONESSA, O.F.M.** dalle ore **9:30 alle ore 15:30**. Si prega di **prenotare la propria partecipazione** inviando un assegno o "Money Order" intestato a Villa Colombo (att: Mirella Tel. 416-789-2113 Ext. 2220 Prima dell' 10 di Marzo 2017

NOTA: IL 15 MARZO NON CI SARANNO BIGLIETTI IN VENDITA ALL'ENTRATA

Il prezzo di \$ 40.00 include anche il pranzo e rinfreschi.

ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 1ST 1° MARZO - MERCOLEDÌ DELLE CENERI



On this day, we begin Lent, a season of preparation before Easter. There will be Ashes distributed at the **8 am bilingual Mass**.

There will also be a **9:30 am Mass** in English for our school children from St Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis schools - all are welcome to attend.

Another **bilingual Mass will be at 7 pm**.

As you plan your family lunches and meals, please remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of "**fast and abstinence**".

Ricordate che mercoledì delle cenere è un giorno di digiuno e astinenza. **Ss Messe alle 8 e 9:30 am (inglese) e alle 7 pm.**

GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION LA PROCESSIONE DEL VENERDÌ SANTO

With the beginning of Lent **our parish community** begins its preparation for the **Good Friday Procession**. In the days ahead the Parish Committee will begin its planning meetings. Please watch the bulletin for announcements.

Iniziando il cammino di quaresima, prepariamoci anche per la **processione di venerdì santo**. Nei prossimi giorni, il comitato parrocchiale inizierà l'orientamento per il programma di quest'anno. Vi chiediamo gentilmente di tenetevi informati per mezzo degli avvisi ufficiali.

MASS SCHEDULE

February 18th to February 26th, 2017

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

5:00 PM Joseph Calleya

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

9:00 AM Domenico & Maria Teresa Pileggi
Giovanni Carlo & Family Barbati
Rocco Baldassara & Antonio L'Europa
Vincenzo & Immacolata Del Duca
Francesco D'Urzo Domenico
Anna & Rosario Moscato
Antonietta Giangualano

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

8:00 AM Rev. Arthur Lattanzi, OFM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21TH

ST PETER DAMIAN, BISHOP AND DOCTOR

8:00 AM Teresa DiFlorio

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22TH

CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE

8:00 AM John DiFlorio

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

ST. POLYCARP, BISHOP, MARTYR

8:00 AM Maria Rosa & Antonio Santaguida

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

8:00 AM Vincenzo Fiumaria

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26TH

9:00 AM Rosa Verdo & Basilio Dileo
Pietro Gallo; Luigi Marchesano
Pasquale Gallipi; Filomena Prioriello

11:30 AM Caterina Rizzuto



Our office is closed tomorrow, Mon Feb 20th, for Family Day.

L'ufficio diocesano sarà chiuso domani, lun 20 febb, nella ricorrenza di Family Day