

175th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THIS HISTORIC MILESTONE
IN THE LIFE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY!



Pilgrimage Churches – Fall 2017

Trace the historical roots of our first faith communities in the Archdiocese of Toronto! Visit any of the original 14 churches of the archdiocese. For a full list of the churches, locations and Mass times, please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/175

UPCOMING EVENTS

Just a reminder that our weekly Children's Liturgy resumes today at the 11:30 am Mass. **A special thanks to our dedicated Catechists!**

We are planning our **Sept 17th Procession** to honour our protectors: **St Francis of Assisi, Sts Cosmas and Damian, St Michael Archangel and St Padre Pio.** Mark this on your calendars.

Mary Benincasa from Catholic Family Services of Toronto will be on hand at the **September 23, 24 Masses** to tell us about some of the agency's programs and Walk-in Counselling Services.



Alle Sante Messe del 23/24 settembre accogliamo Mary Benincasa che ci darà un messaggio a nome dei servizi sociali cattolici (Catholic Family Services). Si tratta dei loro diversi programmi e dalla possibilità di frequentare i loro uffici per un parere saggio.

Oct 7/8 we will celebrate our **St Francis of Assisi Feast Day weekend.** We will speak about St Francis at weekend Masses.



Sat Oct 7th - 3:30 pm - **St Francis Blessing of Creatures** on the south-east lawn of the church. Because of construction it will take place **on the lawn near the rectory and the outdoor statue of the seated Blessed Mother and Child.**

This is a great event where people can bring their pets and see them blessed. Invite your neighbours and let them know - *even though they might not be parishioners or even Catholic.*

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday Sept 22 - Sunday Sept 24, 2017

Theme: **Journeying with Women of the Bible**

Being held at: **Queen of Apostles 1617 Blythe Road.**

For further info please call **905 278-5229**

WELCOME FR ALBERT MICALLEF, OFM

Next weekend, in the midst of our celebrations, you will meet **Fr Albert Micallef.** Many of you know him from past times. If you don't know him, you will begin to know him as he settles in.

Diamo benvenuto a un nostro confratello- **P Albert Micallef.** Tanti di voi l'avete conosciuto nei tempi passati.

WELCOME! BENVENUTO!

GETTING READY FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2018

We are asking families this year to **"preregister" online BEFORE coming to the registration meeting.** You will need your child's baptism certificate before doing the preregistration. (Confirmation families whose children were baptized in other countries will need to provide a mailing address for the Church of Baptism – we have to follow up Confirmation with a formal note to that Church)

First Confession and First Communion children should be in Grade 2 or higher. Confirmation Candidates should be in Grade 7 or higher.

Parents - you often meet the parents of other classmates of your children - pass the word on to them. Maybe you can take them a copy of this bulletin?

Did you know that last year many parents simply used their smartphones to do the preregistration? Go ahead and try.

www.stfrancis.ca

Please note that all parents have two options for meetings:

This Thurs Sept 14th at 6:30 pm in the church.

Or

Mon Oct 2nd at 6:30 pm in the church.

We will communicate with you via the email address/es you use while doing the pre-registration.

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

This is just a first announcement that we are hoping to gather anyone interested in exploring the Catholic Faith to join our **RCIA Programme.** Please start passing the word around.



This is open to people who want to learn about our faith. It also provides a place of preparation for Catholics who are missing their First Communion and/or Confirmation. We also welcome others from different Christian Communities who feel the gentle prompting of the Spirit to explore Catholicism.

XXIII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO A – 10 SETTEMBRE 2017

**PARISH CELEBRATION OF
STS COSMAS AND DAMIAN,
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI,
ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL,
ST PADRE PIO**

We are beginning to plan our traditional autumn procession.

**Sunday Sept 17th
Solemn Mass in Italian at 2:30 pm
Procession at 3:30 pm**

Please advise and invite your friends and family who have moved out of the area.

V'invitiamo a prenotare la data di **domenica 17 settembre**. Così, insieme celebreremo la festa dei nostri santi protettori. Passate la parola.

**Santa Messa Solenne in italiano alle 2:30 pm
Processione alle 3:30 pm**



SVDP THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



With Thanksgiving around the corner and as we are entering into the cooler seasons we invite you to consider 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. Please bring your **non-perishables** on the weekends of **Sept 30/Oct 1** and **Oct 7/8**. PS usually rice is a better choice than pasta.

La nostra conferenza della **Società di san Vincenzo de Paoli** vi chiede di pensare ai poveri come preparazione per la festa di ringraziamento (Thanksgiving). Potete portare scotolamene per i poveri nelle **prime due domeniche di ottobre**. Così i volontari possono portare con loro qualche sacchetto di provvisione d'emergenza. Cercate di vedere il volto di Cristo nei poveri. **Notate bene - evitate la pasta. Per i poveri, il riso è più consigliato.**



MASS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 9TH TO SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2017

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH
ST. PETER CLAVER, PRIEST**

5:00 PM Maria Battaglini

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

9:00 AM Per tutti i Santi e tutti i Morti
In ringraziamento dalla comunità Chiaravallese

Pacifico e Colomba Fontana e famiglia
Rosaria e Giuseppe Ceniti
Salvatore Ceniti; Angelo di Santo

Graziano Rotiroti e famiglia
Domenico e Daniela Cunsolo e famiglia
Famiglie Carnovale e Simonetta
Defunti Famiglia Cortese

11:30 AM Rosie Collela Ienco

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

8:00 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY**

8:00 AM Giuseppe Chiaro

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR**

8:00 AM Stan Rzepka

7:00 PM Memorial Mass - Lucia Di Martino

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH
THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

8:00 AM Winifred Ledoux

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH
OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

8:00 AM Vito e Domenico Corrado

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH
THE MARTYRS: ST. CORNELIUS, POPE,
& ST. CYPRIAN, BISHOP**

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH
FEAST OF THE STIGMATA OF
OUR HOLY FATHER FRANCIS**

9:00 AM Domenico e Maria Teresa Pileggi
Giovanni, Carlo e famiglia Barbati
Adelina e Vincenzo Quadri
Rocco Baldassara e Domenica L'Europa
Adolfo e Restituta Baldassara
Pasquale Gallippi, Marco Riga
Nicola Vinci

11:30 AM Living and Deceased Franciscans

2:30 PM Feast Day Mass of Our Holy Protectors
Santa Messa Festiva dei nostri Santi
Protettori

3:30 pm *La Processione esterna*
(circa) *Our outdoor Procession*

**HAVE YOU MADE AN OFFERING TO COVER THE SUNDAYS
YOU WERE AWAY FROM ST FRANCIS THIS SUMMER?**

Did you hear that our funds ran out in August and we had to ask the Chancery for an emergency loan of \$10,000 to cover operating expenses? When you go away, you and your donations are missed.