

LA TERZA DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO B – 21 GENNAIO 2018

THE WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

On **Friday, February 2**, the Church celebrates the World Day for consecrated Life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. This World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at a special Mass on **Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 3:00pm, at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St.**, Toronto in a celebration of the vocation and witness of the special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.



Abbiamo ricevuto dalla curia un ordine per le collette speciali. Secondo la comunicazione ufficiale, siamo obbligati a passare il cestino una seconda volta - la prima volta per l'offertorio (come sempre) e una seconda volta dopo la santa comunione. Abbiamo appiccicato la comunicazione sulla bacheca all'entrata della Chiesa.

MASS SCHEDULE JANUARY 20TH TO JANUARY 28TH, 2018

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH

5:00 PM For our Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST

9:00 AM Giovanni e Carlo Barbati
Alessia Rosa Renda, Filippo Didiano
Giovanni Di Lecce, Mercurio Grazia
Rosa Cutuli e Natalie Giuseppina
Angelo, Grace e Graziella Calaminici
Nazzareno Carnevale

11:30 AM Matilda Zammit

MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND

8:00 AM _____

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD

ST. VINCENT, DEACON AND MARTYR

8:00 AM Defunti Famiglia Cini

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR

8:00 AM _____

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

8:00 AM Matilda Zammit

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH

ST. TIMOTHY AND ST. TITUS, BISHOPS

8:00 AM _____

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH

5:00 PM _____

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH

9:00 AM Mario D' Ambrosio: Pasquale Gallippi
Agostino Lanzeroti e Famiglia Fazzari
Caterina Rizzuto

11:30 AM For our Parishioners' Intentions

GIORNATA MONDIALE DELLA VITA CONSACRATA

Venerdì, 2 febbraio, la Chiesa celebra la Giornata Mondiale della Vita Consacrata.

Grazie a Dio, nella Diocesi di Toronto, abbiamo tra noi oltre 900 religiosi, uomini e donne, dedito al servizio, da più di 100 diverse congregazioni religiose. La Giornata Mondiale della Vita Consacrata ci offre un'ottima occasione per ringraziare Dio per il dono dei religiosi fratelli, suore e sacerdoti e per pregare che Dio li benedica sempre nel loro impegno a vivere fedelmente i consigli evangelici mediante i voti di povertà, castità e obbedienza.

Domenica, 28 gennaio, 2018 alle ore 3:00 p.m., presso la St. Paul's Basilica, situata a 83 Power St a Toronto si terrà una Santa Messa solenne presieduta dal vescovo Monsignore Wayne Kirkpatrick per celebrare le vocazioni e la testimonianza di religiosi e religiose eccezionali che svolgono un ruolo talmente essenziale e vitale nella vita e nel ministero della Chiesa nella nostra Arcidiocesi. Siete tutti cordialmente invitati.

CREDO: I BELIEVE... A THREE-PART SERIES

The Creed represents the key beliefs of our Catholic faith. Join us for a three-part series on the Creed, its history and its meaning: **January 25, February 1, and February 8 at 7:00 pm.** Fr. Ed Eherer CSsR, our Associate Pastor will be our presenter. Please pre-register at the parish office by Tuesday January 23, 2018 at St. Patrick's Church – Neumann Hall 131 McCaul St., Toronto **PHONE: 416-598-3269** **WEB: www.stpatrickstoronto.ca**

POLICY FOR HANDLING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

We recently received a new Policy for Handling Special Collections - we have posted it on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church so that you can look at it.

This policy obliges us to pass the collection basket around a second time for reasons that you will see outlined in the policy text.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B – JANUARY 21st, 2018

**FIRST COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION
STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

FIRST COMMUNION

Second book - Preparing for Eucharist chapters 1 & 2

This is just a reminder to our **Grade 2 families** preparing for First Communion that **the Unit 1 class (covering chapters 1 & 2) will be offered today Sun Jan 21st at 10:30 am or Sat Jan 27th 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.

CONFIRMATION

Also for **Confirmation the Unit 2 class (Unit 2- Seeking God in Prayer) will be offered Sun Feb. 4th at 10:30 am or Saturday Feb 10^h at 4:00 PM.**

ALL FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION FAMILIES

We remind our parents that they need to **make sure the dates are on their family calendar and they need to bring their children to these meetings. The preparation work needs to be done at home-** this is part of the understanding and commitment you took on when you registered your child. As we hear in the Baptism rite - **you are the FIRST teachers of your child - may you also be the best of teachers.**

Also please remember that **your child should be wearing their crucifix** when they attend class and when they attend Mass. **We also expect families to stay for the Mass immediately following the class.**

Our **recommendation** is that families plan to attend the first class of the two opportunities for each unit. Flu season is upon us and the family may not be able to make the second meeting.

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

Our catechists met with Fr Jimmy in order to prepare a schedule of meetings that will prepare adults for the sacraments of initiation. The schedule begins in January.



If you have expressed an interest in this programme and have not been contacted, please contact us again so that we can establish the day and time that will work for all of us.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY STATISTICS

Offertory	January 13/14, 2018
Total number of envelopes	141
Total amount in envelopes	\$ 2,227
Total loose donations	\$ 257
Weekly Total	\$ 2,484
Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,500
Income Deficit	\$-2,016

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

On a cold December evening we held a seminar for our parishioners who were interested in serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

According to the norms of law, the following are authorized to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in large assemblies at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Toronto. This appointment is valid for a three year period ending December 21, 2020.

Nicola Bava	Rocco Farella
Rosina Garisto	Rupert Gudgeon
Maria Larginho	Rosa Nasso
Antonietta Olimpio	Giuseppina Olimpio
Rocco Petrella	Jo-Anne Rebelo
Lina Spatola	Anna Virdo
Piera Vitale	

We will be inviting our approved candidates to come to the altar area to receive their official mandate from Fr Jimmy over Masses this weekend.

Auguri ai nostri ministri straordinari dell'eucaristia. Dopo aver partecipato in un aggiornamento del loro servizio alla comunità, sono stati approvati per un periodo di tre anni, fino al 21 dicembre 2020.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE WEEKEND
MASS WITH CARDINAL COLLINS**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, **Cardinal Thomas Collins** will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration.

This Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11 at Blessed Trinity Parish (3220 Bayview Ave - North York). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
WEEKEND!**

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. **Upcoming Weekend: March 2-4, 2018** (Four Points by Sheraton, Argentia Rd., Mississauga)

For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley (905) 792-1925. or at gerard.marge@rogers.com