

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B – FEBRUARY 11th, 2018

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS & FAMILIES

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Our **First Communion class Unit 2 class (Chapters 3 & 4)** will be offered **Sun Feb. 25th at 10:30 am or Saturday March 3^h at 4:00 PM**

Our **Confirmation Unit 3 class (The call of Jesus to Mission)** will be offered **today Sun March 18th at 10:30 am or Saturday March 24^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.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY STATISTICS

Offertory	February 3/4, 2018
Total number of envelopes	151
Total amount in envelopes	\$1,960
Total loose donations	\$ 379
Preauthorized Giving (PAG)	\$ 219
Weekly Total	\$ 2,558
Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,500
Income Deficit	-\$1,942 or 43%

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

FEB 17/18 CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

LENTEN FRIDAYS - WAY OF THE CROSS I VENERDI' DI QUARESIMA - VIA CRUCIS

During the season of Lent we recite the Way of the Cross on Friday morning after the 8 am Mass. The Italian community usually leads this prayer but we encourage you to follow along in the English translation available on the page facing the Italian text. This affords you the benefit of both carrying out the devotion and of praying in community. It also helps us to prepare for the Good Friday procession through prayer and meditation.

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN TAX RECEIPTS

The Family of Faith campaign will issue 2017 tax receipts for Family of Faith donations by the end of February 2018. Most

gifts to the campaign have been in the form of pledges, payable over five years. Tax receipts will be issued for the value of gift amounts actually received in 2017, through Sunday, December 31, 2017. Please note that contributions sent by mail that were postmarked on or before December 31, 2017 are eligible for a 2017 tax receipt.

PENITENTIAL DISCIPLINE

Lent: The penitential character of Lent is maintained; on these days, penance is an important requirement of Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

In the Roman Rite, including in Canada, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and of abstinence from meat. Pastors should invite and encourage their people to do special penance on these two days.

The law of "abstinence from meat" binds those who are 14 and older; the law of "fasting" binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in this matter.

GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION LA PROCESSIONE DEL VENERDI SANTO

With the beginning of Lent **our parish community** begins its preparation for **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.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE WEEKEND MASS WITH BISHOP KASUN

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, **Bishop Robert Kasun** 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.

VI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO – ANNO B – 11 FEBBRAIO 2018

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 14TH MERCOLEDI DELLE CENERI - 14 FEBBRAIO

- 8 am** Bilingual Mass in Italian and English
- 9:30 am** Mass in English -
Both St Francis & Pope Francis Schools will attend
and animate this Mass
- 7 pm** Bilingual Mass in Italian and English



Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. Please remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **fasting and abstinence**. Our bishops ask us to observe Lent by also **abstaining from meat on Fridays during this penitential season**.

Iniziamo la santa Quaresima con la partecipazione alla S. Messa e ricordiamo che sia mercoledì delle Ceneri e sia venerdì santo sono **giorni di astinenza e digiuno**. Cerchiamo di osservare la natura penitenziale della Quaresima – i vescovi ci chiedono **l'astinenza dalla carne i venerdì di Quaresima**.

LENTEN COIN FOLDERS

Beginning this weekend, we have our usual Lenten Offering Folders available at the back of the church. For those who choose to use the folder, this is another way of giving up a little time each day reflecting on the 40 days of Lent. Families with younger children can participate in making this period of Lent a more meaningful experience. Please write your name, address and envelope number on the back of the folder.



Come abbiamo fatto gli anni scorsi, le Cartelle di Offerta Quaresimale sono disponibili all'entrata della Chiesa. Le Cartelle saranno poi raccolte su Santo giovedì. Per favore di assicurare che il suo nome, indirizzo e il numero della busta domenicale è riempito sul dorso della Cartella.

FUNERAL DETAILS FOR FR JIMMY'S FATHER

JOSEPH ZAMMIT 1929 - 2018

On January 30, 2018 God called Joseph peacefully home. After a few short weeks, he goes to join his Beloved wife, Matilda.

Visitations will take place at **Lynett Funeral Home** (3299 Dundas St West, one block east of Runnymede Rd.) on **Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 6-9 p.m.** and **Sunday, February 11, 2018 from 2-4 p.m. & 6-9 p.m.**

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on **Monday, February 12, 2018 at 9:15 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Church** (3224 Dundas St West, Toronto). **OUR OFFICE AT ST FRANCIS WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY MORNING SO THAT WE CAN PARTICIPATE AT THE FUNERAL MASS.**

Memorial Mass - St Francis of Assisi - Mon March 12, 2018 7 pm

In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his memory to St. Paul the Apostle Parish, West Park Long Term Care Foundation or a charity of your choice.

*Thank you all for your condolences and prayers. Fr J
Grazie per le vostre preghiere e condoglianze. P J*

MASS SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 10TH TO FEBRUARY 18TH, 2018

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

5:00 PM For Our Parishioners Intentions'

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH

MARRIAGE SUNDAY WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

9:00 AM Angelo di Santo
Famiglie Carnovale e Simonetta
Salvatore e Gerardo Amato
Mariano e Fiorina Greco
Vincenzo e Immacolata Del Duca
Angela Donato; Antonia Lanni
Ferdinando Taddeo e John-Frank Scavo

11:30 AM For Parishioners' Intentions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

8:00 AM Salvatore Amato

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

8:00 AM Dr. Joseph Grech

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM _____ (Bilingual)
9:30 AM School Mass - here at the parish
7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Mass (Bilingual)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

8:00 AM Antonio Gagliardi

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

8:00 AM Basilio e Francesco Dileo

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

5:00 PM For Parishioners Intentions'

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 AM Giovanni e Carlo Barbati
Vito Garisto; Guerrino Cattani
Rocco Baldassarra e Antonio L'Europa
Gildo e Maria Scarselletta

11:30 AM Daryna Parkhomenko