

**4TH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B – MARCH 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**CONFIRMATION STUDENTS & FAMILIES**

**COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

Our Confirmation class Unit 3 (The call of Jesus to Mission) will be offered Sun. March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am or Sat. March 24<sup>th</sup> 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	March 3/4, 2018
Total number of envelopes	245
Total amount in envelopes	\$ 3,409
Total loose donations	\$ 403
Preauthorized Giving (PAG)	\$ 305
<b>Weekly Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,117</b>
<b>Weekly Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,500</b>
<b>Income Deficit</b>	<b>\$-382.92 or 9%</b>

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

SHARE LIFE - MARCH 18/2018

GOOD FRIDAY – HOLY LAND - MARCH 30/2018

**PARTIAL CHURCH CLOSURE  
CHIUSURA DELLA CHIESA PRINCIPALE**

**Monday to Friday ONLY – dal lunedì al venerdì solo  
From March 12<sup>th</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup> and  
From March 19<sup>th</sup> to March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The scaffolding dismantle will require the temporary closure of the church for the safety of all concerned and to expedite "The Dismantle" ahead of Holy Week. This partial closure will only affect our weekday Mass schedule. During these days, the Monday to Friday 8 a.m. Masses will be celebrated in the Work Sacristy which has been converted into a **TEMPORARY CHAPEL**. When coming to Mass, during this closure on a weekday, please enter the church via the Mansfield Avenue entrance adjacent to the rectory. This entrance will to give you access to the temporary chapel set-up in the Work Sacristy.

La Chiesa principale sarà chiusa nei giorni indicati sopra per facilitare il smantellamento dell'armatura, così da riacquistare la chiesa per la settimana santa. Durante questi lavori, abbiamo trasformato la sacrestia secondaria e così abbiamo **UNA CAPPELLA TEMPORANEA** per le SS. Messe feriali. Entrate dalla porta laterale vicino al convento.

**ASSOCIATIONS AND CHARACTERS FOR  
THE GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION  
YOU CAN REGISTER AT [stfrancis.ca](http://stfrancis.ca)**

On Friday March 30<sup>th</sup> 2018, we will be celebrating our **Annual Good Friday Procession**. For all parishioners and newcomers that are interested in acting as the characters of the Good Friday story, we ask that you send an email to [Goodfridaycharacters@gmail.com](mailto:Goodfridaycharacters@gmail.com).

Please note that you are now able to **register online** at [stfrancis.ca](http://stfrancis.ca). We will do our best to match you up with the character you have requested but if your application comes in late and someone has already been assigned your character, we ask you to consider making yourself available for whatever personality is needed to make this year's procession a success and to help bring the Gospel message to our streets. Please remember that in addition to your email contact info, it would also be helpful to have your daytime and evening telephone numbers. If you are part of an Association that participates in the procession, you may also register online (see above).



**Procession Meeting**

for Associations, Groups & Participants  
Tues March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall

**COME AND SEE WEEKEND**

The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Weekend for single Catholic men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary from **Friday, March 23 (6:30 p.m.) to Sunday March 25 (1:30 p.m.) 2018**, 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. For more information, Please contact the **Office of Vocations** at: **416 968-0997**; or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org). Registrations can be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).

**2017 FAMILY OF FAITH TAX RECEIPTS**

The family of Faith campaign has now sent **2017** tax receipts to all donors. Most gifts to the campaign have been in the form of pledges, payable over five years. Charitable Tax Receipts were issued for the value of gift amounts received in 2017, through Sunday December 31, 2017.



THE FAMILY OF THE LATE  
**JOSEPH & MATILDA ZAMMIT**  
WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR KIND THOUGHTS  
AND WORDS. YOUR CARE AND CONCERN ARE  
GREATLY APPRECIATED AND WILL ALWAYS BE  
REMEMBERED.

*Fr. Jimmy, Paul, David & Family*

*Thank You*

**We are having a memorial Mass for Joseph Zammit on  
Monday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.**

## IV DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA – ANNO B – 11 MARZO 2018

### SAVE THE DATE & MARK YOUR CALENDAR – SUNDAY MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

On **Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**, we will be blessing the historical Stations of the Cross at the **9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.** Masses.

Join us in the Parish Hall after each blessing ceremony and meet with the project team for further updates on the restoration progress.

As we prepare for Holy Week and the influx of visitors to the Good Friday procession, we will be launching the Restoration Campaign and Commemorative and Memorial Opportunities brochure on Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>.

We will be giving our parishioners a sneak preview of the many items that are available as commemorative and memorial opportunities for your intentions, special anniversaries and birthdays and remembering your dearly departed loved ones.

Donations will be recognized in the future Parish Hall for many years to come with a Donor Wall for those selflessly giving to the restoration of St. Francis of Assisi.

We thank you for your patience, prayers and support as we continue with the restoration work of our church. **See you on Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

### LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING SHARELIFE

How do we “Live the Gospel” toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it’s volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help “Live the Gospel” through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign.

**Next Sunday, March 18 is ShareLife Sunday.  
Please give generously.**

### IL VANGELO SI VIVE SOSTENENDO SHARELIFE

Come possiamo “vivere il Vangelo” con la gente intorno a noi quando la nostra vita è così densa di impegni? Per alcuni significa fare del volontariato presso una mensa dei poveri, oppure prendersi cura di un parente anziano. Ma, se non abbiamo tempo per un intervento attivo, possiamo partecipare sostenendo le tante agenzie finanziate da ShareLife che nella nostra collettività portano le mani misericordiose di Gesù Cristo ai bisognosi. Domenica prossima ci sarà la prima raccolta fondi ShareLife. Nei prossimi giorni, ricorda che “il Vangelo si vive” quando aiutiamo i deboli e i bisognosi, facendo una donazione a ShareLife.

**Domenica prossima, 18 marzo 2018 è una domenica di ShareLife.  
Per favore, dona generosamente.**

### BEREAVEMENT GROUP AT ST. PETER’S

We would like to invite all members of the community for a four week bereavement support group for all who have experienced

loss through the death of a loved one. The group will meet on Thursdays from **March 15<sup>th</sup> to April 19<sup>th</sup> between 2:30 and 4:30 P.M. at St. Peter’s Parish Centre, 830 Bathurst Street, Toronto** This group will be conducted by two Jesuit Seminarians. Please call the parish to **register at 416-534-4219**. There is no cost.

### MASS SCHEDULE MARCH 10<sup>th</sup> TO MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 10<sup>th</sup>

**5:00 PM** Giuseppe Azzoli

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 11<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 AM** Gregorio e Giovanni Callipo  
Famiglie Carnovale e Simonetta  
Angelo Barillari  
Salvatore Amato e Defunti Famiglia  
Madalena Cioffi e Defunti Famiglia  
Maria Spina  
Angelo di Santo  
Domenico e Rosina Marafioti

**11:30 AM** For Parishioners’ Intentions

#### MONDAY, MARCH 12<sup>th</sup>

**8:00 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

**7:00 PM** Memorial - Joseph & Matilda Zammit

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>

**8:00 AM** Vincenzo Bellissimo

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14<sup>th</sup>

**8:00 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

**7:00 PM** Memorial – Francesca Buongiorno

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>

**8:00 AM** \_\_\_\_\_

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 16<sup>th</sup>

**8:00 AM** Giuseppe Figliano

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 17<sup>th</sup>

**5:00 PM** For Parishioner’s Intentions

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 AM** Giovanni e Carlo Barbati  
Don Peppino e Carmelo Scopacasa  
Antonio Pitaro  
Chiara e Fortunato Scopacasa  
Carmela, Giuseppe Nasso  
Pietro e Arnaldo Gallo  
Chiara e Giuseppe Rauti  
Famiglie Forio e Moretti

**11:30 AM** \_\_\_\_\_