

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – YEAR B – APRIL 8th, 2018

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Our First Communion class Unit 3 (Chapters 5 & 6) will be offered Sun, April 15th at 10:30 am OR Sat, April 21st at 4 pm.

Our Confirmation class Unit 4 (Signs of the Spirit – The Confirmation Liturgy) will be offered Sun, April 22nd at 10:30 am OR Sat, April 28th at 4 pm.

ALL FIRST COMMUNION AND 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 24/25 2018 Palm Sunday
Total number of envelopes	266
Total amount in envelopes	\$ 5,024
Total loose donations	\$ 888
Preauthorized Giving (PAG)	\$ 231
Weekly Total	\$ 6,217
<i>April 9, 2017 – Palm Sunday</i>	<i>\$ 5,141 Last Year</i>
Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,500
Income Deficit or Profit	\$ 1,717 up 38%

Upcoming Second Collections:

Church Restoration Fund – April 8/2018
Share Life – April 22/2018

THE GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION PROCESSIONE DI VENERDI SANTO

We look back to our Good Friday Procession with a sense of Thanksgiving. There are many blessings that come out of this devotion that has been part of our community for over fifty years.

- **Bishop Kasun, CSB and Bishop Boissonneau**, both of whom were part of the celebrations inside the church and walked in the procession.
- **Cavaliere Uff. Simonetta and The Parish Feasts Committee 2018**

- **The Toronto Police Services, City of Toronto Services and TTC** who coordinate our safety and smooth running of our outside presence
- Many representatives of **different levels of Government**
- **The Clubs, Associations and Musical Bands**
- **Those who organize the procession** floats/statues and Order of Procession
- **The Characters** who participate and those who carry banners and take up the collection along the route
- Those who provide us with media coverage and publicity: **CHIN, Corriere Canadese and others**
- **Those who have carried out the set up in Church and in the Hall for ALL the Holy Week Liturgies** – this includes cleaning, flower arranging and many other unseen efforts – and now those who have been involved in the great clean up and the storage that goes on to be ready for next year
- The people **who washed, ironed and mended costumes**
- Those who have taken care of **preparing food** for characters and for invited guests
- **Our office staff** who has fielded innumerable telephone calls for info on participating and on the procession route
- **Apologies to anyone who has been forgotten** – everyone is important and the exercise of learning to work together in spite of differences is such an important part of making this an act of faith and NOT a parade

OFFICE CLOSED THURS APRIL 12TH PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOP

Please note that the **office will be closed this Thurs Apr 12th**, as our office staff is out at the Archdiocese for a workshop on Office Administration.

Giovedì 12 aprile, l'ufficio sarà chiuso e così le segretarie possono partecipare in un incontro di formazione professionale.

DIVINE MERCY PLENARY INDULGENCE INDULGENZIA PLENARIA DIVINA MISERICORDIA



It is possible to gain a **Plenary Indulgence** today, Divine Mercy Sunday, under the usual conditions - sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father.

A tutti quelli che oggi ricevono la santa comunione nello stato di grazia e pregano per l'intenzione del santo padre va concessa **un'indulgenza plenaria** nella ricorrenza della domenica della Divina Misericordia.

II DOMENICA DI PASQUA – DOMENICA DELLA DIVINA MISERICORDIA – ANNO B – 8 APRILE 2018

LIVING THE GOSPEL THROUGH IMMEDIATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic Family Services agencies in the Archdiocese of Toronto now offer walk-in counselling. This initiative can often meet clients' need without requiring longer term counselling. Clients report a clinically significant increase in confidence that they can tackle their problems. By supporting ShareLife, you're helping restore hope to those in crisis.

April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.

IL VANGELO SI VIVE OFFRENDO SERVIZI TEMPESTIVI DI BENESSERE PSICHICO



Il Vangelo si vive offrendo servizi tempestivi di benessere psichico. Problemi di carattere psicologico possono aggravarsi rapidamente se non sono affrontati subito. Per questa ragione, le cinque agenzie di Catholic Family Services operanti nell'Arcidiocesi di Toronto, offrono ora interventi di consulenza immediata. L'iniziativa

riesce spesso a far fronte alle necessità del paziente senza dover far ricorso a lunghe sedute di consulenza terapeutica. I pazienti assistiti hanno indicato un incremento, clinicamente significativo, di fiducia a risolvere i propri problemi. Sostenendo ShareLife aiuti a ristabilire la speranza in coloro che sono in crisi.

La prossima domenica di ShareLife è il 22 aprile 2018
Per favore dona generosamente

HINTS AND TIPS ABOUT CATHOLIC MARRIAGE

On this Easter Weekend we welcome you to St Francis of Assisi that is ready again to welcome its friends and parishioners. Some of the following are common sense - for more info contact the parish.

- If you are thinking of getting married in a Catholic Church (Catholics are obliged to be married in a Catholic Ceremony.) you should know that you are expected to **approach the church one year in advance** in order to complete all the necessary paperwork.
- If you are getting married in a Catholic **ceremony OUTSIDE of Toronto (GTA) you still need to approach your home parish** because they have to prepare everything and then send it to the Diocese where you will marry.
- If you want to do a **"Destination Wedding"** you may consider a small, simple sacramental (and legal) marriage here in Toronto - as a Catholic you need to do a Catholic Marriage at some point and having the legal marriage in Ontario will make life easier for documentation - trust us!

MARRIAGE BANNS

There is a promise of marriage between **Halley Hein Requena-Silva and Nicole Marie O'Connor.**
Please pray for the couple and all others preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

MASS SCHEDULE APRIL 7TH TO APRIL 15TH, 2018

SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH

5:00 PM George Sammut

SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:00 AM Pietro Petrini; Mario D'Ambrosio
Vincenzo Bellissimo
Bruno Gagliardi e def famiglia
Famiglia Carnovale e Simonetta
Teresa e Pasquale Pepe
Michele Pepe e Famiglia
Vincenzo Barone e Famiglia
11:30 AM Pasquale Raviele

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM Pasquale Raviele

TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH
8:00 AM Vincenza & Candido Longo

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11TH
ST. STANISLAUS, BISHOP, MARTYR
8:00 AM Friar Robert Artman, OFM

THURSDAY, APRIL 12TH
8:00 AM Domenico e Vito Corrado

FRIDAY, APRIL 13TH
8:00 AM Friar Robert Artman, OFM
9:30 AM School Mass - here at St Francis
SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH

5:00 PM For Parishioners' Intentions

SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:00 AM Giovanni e Carlo Barbatì
Antonio e Margherita Bifulchi
Franco e Rocco Bifulchi
Salvatore e Ida Amato
Def. Famiglia Lucchetta e Bruno
Rosa e Nicola Rauti, Angelo di Santo
Maria & Giuseppe Moretti
11:30 AM Patricia Maio MacLean

