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New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are usually held on two Sundays every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.
Closed Daily: 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MASS

Sunday Eucharist
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour

Fridays (excluding holidays) 6:00 PM - 6:50 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass
Wednesday at 6:40

PARISH LIFE

Charismatic Prayer Goup 905-822-8132
Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132
Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457
RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 3
St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5
Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

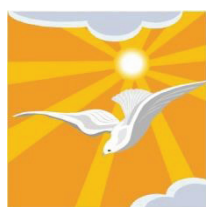
SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183
St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115
Christ the King 905-569-0220

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 2, 2022

"They were filled with the Holy Spirit"



Do you know and experience in your own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? After his death and resurrection Jesus promised to give his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. He said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit! (John 20:22) Jesus knew that his disciples would need the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them. The gift of the Holy Spirit was conditional upon the ascension of Jesus to the right hand of the Father. That is why Jesus instructed the apostles to wait in Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high (Luke 24:49). Why did they need power from on high? The Gospels tell us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized at the Jordan River.

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom. The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's will.

The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus. After his resurrection Jesus "breathed" on his disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. Just as God breathed life into Adam, so the gift of the Holy Spirit is an impartation of new life for his people. With the gift of the Holy Spirit a new creation begins. God recreates us for his glory. Jesus' gift of peace to his disciples was more than an absence of trouble. His peace included the forgiveness of sins and the fullness of everything good.

Basil the Great (329-379 AD), an early church father, explains the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives:

"The Spirit restores paradise to us and the way to heaven and adoption as children of God; he instills confidence that we may call God truly Father and grants us the grace of Christ to be children of the light and to enjoy eternal glory. In a word, he bestows the fullness of blessings in this world and the next; for we may contemplate now in the mirror of faith the promised things we shall someday enjoy. If this is the foretaste, what must the reality be? If these are the first fruits, what must be the harvest?" (From the treatise by Basil on The Holy Spirit)

The Lord Jesus offers each one of us the gift and power of his Holy Spirit. He wants to make our faith strong, give us hope that endures, and a love that never grows cold. He never refuses to give his Spirit to those who ask with expectant faith. Jesus instructed his disciples to ask confidently for the gift of the Spirit. Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life he offers through the gift of his Spirit?

"Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom.

ShareLife

Let's show we care on ShareLife Sunday

This weekend is the final ShareLife Sunday of the year. But ShareLife is more than a collection. It's how we as a community say "we care." In solidarity with Catholics throughout the Archdiocese, we provide a witness of God's love by actively supporting those in need locally and the greater world.

Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom. Amen.

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

MONDAY, JUNE 6 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Matto Lombardi

TUESDAY, JUNE 7 – 8:30 A.M.

Intention Available

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Purissima Melchiorre

THURSDAY, JUNE 9 – 8:30 A.M.

S.I. For married couples and those
preparing for marriage

FRIDAY, JUNE 10 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Rocca Mansour

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 – 5:00 P.M.

Intention Available

SUNDAY, JUNE 12 – PENTECOST

S.I. Parish Community

**DISCONTINUATION OF LIVESTREAM MASSES
AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH**

Due to steadily declining viewership since before Easter, live streaming of the Wednesday evening Rosary and Mass has been discontinued. The last broadcast was on Wednesday, May 25th, 2022.

Live streaming of the Sunday Mass at 10am will continue until the end of June. The final broadcast of Sunday Mass from St. Francis of Assisi Church on our parish Youtube channel will be Sunday, June 26th, 2022.

There will be no Masses live streamed from SFA Church during the months of July and August. The issue of whether the livestream should be resumed on a weekly will be revisited in the fall.

THANK YOU TO THE NORONHA FAMILY for their dedication to this ministry which enabled parishioners to watch Mass from home for the past two years throughout the pandemic.

Those who are sick or unable to participate at Mass in person are invited to watch the livestream from St. Michael's Cathedral on the following link:
<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>

Daily Mass at the Cathedral is at 12:10pm. Sunday Mass is at 12pm.



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You and your family are invited to a FREE Parish Barbecue **on Sunday, June 26th, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.** Celebrate the end of the school year and reconnect with fellow parishioners! The menu will feature hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, drinks, and ice cream.

There will be a 50/50 draw supporting ShareLife and, and for the small kids, a "bouncy castle" and other activities. We will have a covered area with limited seating and tables reserved for seniors, so please bring your own lawn chairs. As we need to know how many to expect, there will be volunteers at the back of the church after each mass over the next two weekends collecting the number in your group and your children's ages. **We could also use more volunteers!** If you are willing and able to help, please contact Kathy Valant at (905) 823-1693 or kathybvalant@gmail.com. This is also a good opportunity for young people to work some volunteer hours. We hope to see you there!



Congratulations to all the children who have made their First Holy Communion. You are always welcome at St. Francis.

Please keep in your prayers the children who will be Confirmed over the next two weekend.

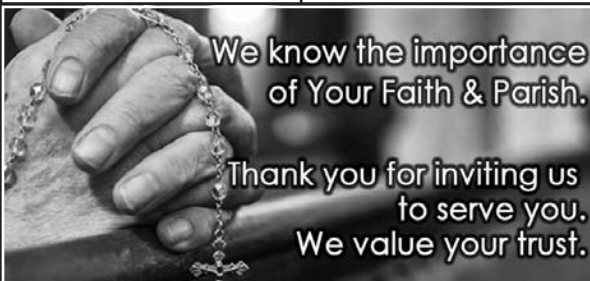
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