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ASCENSION OF THE LORD – June 2, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK

June 4th – June 8th



Tues. 8:30 am – Sylvia John Katick †

Wed. 8:30 am – In Thanksgiving
(Coutinho Family)

Thurs. 12:00 (noon) – Lyons Family (Sp. Int.)

Fri. 8:30 am – Anthony & Rosemary Sung †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Cynthia Todd †

THE WORD THIS WEEK

“As he blessed them

he was carried up to heaven.”

Ascension is not just a feast that "happens to fall in Eastertide": it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: *“I am going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me.”* Jesus does not open the way to us just by rising from the dead: to complete the mystery presumes the Lord's return to the Father. Ascension is therefore a feast of hope: our hope that the Lord will return, as He went. Our hope that He will take us with Him, when our bodies are raised as His was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where He sits at the Father's right hand.



Thank God, we have the good fortune to know, and reason and faith convince us of this truth, that death is not the end of man. It is rather the real beginning. Today's feast—the Ascension of our Lord in his human nature—to his Father's and our Father's home, is the confirmation and the guarantee of this doctrine of our faith. We shall all rise from the grave with new, glorified bodies and ascend to heaven, as Christ did. There we'll begin our true life of eternal happiness.

Look up to heaven today. See Christ ascending to his Father and our Father. Say, “Thank you, God, for creating me, and for giving me, through the Incarnation of your beloved Son, the possibility and the assurance that if I do my part here, when death comes it will not be an enemy but a friend, to speed me on my way to the true, supernatural life which you have, in your love, planned and prepared for me.”

Through prayer, sacraments and our experiences as individuals in community, we are transformed in love. Learning to see with the eyes of our heart enlightened, allows us to experience resurrection and pass it on! We are witness to hope and love.

Readings for Sunday June 9th

1st Reading: Acts 2.1-11

2nd Reading: 1 Corin 12.3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20.19-23



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Living the Gospel by Supporting Mental Health Wellness

Last year, over 3,200 people accessed individual, couple and family counselling at Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a ShareLife-funded agency. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain employment and stay out of poverty. By Supporting ShareLife agencies like CFS Peel-Dufferin, you're helping people find health and happiness.

Today is ShareLife Sunday.

Thank you for your generosity.

World Communications Day

June 2

Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (radio, television, newspapers) and how these influence our lives. The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church's ministry is twofold. The media can be used to help promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth.

Upcoming Events:


Catholic Women's League Diaper Drive for Rosalie Hall June 15th and 16th

As summertime approaches, diaper supplies for the babies at Rosalie Hall are in short supply. Responding to God's call to help, the CWL is organizing a Diaper Drive. The collection will take place on the weekend of June 15th and 16th. The most needed items at Rosalie Hall are Newborn to Size 3 Diapers and Wipes; Pull-Ups and Baby Swimmers in smaller sizes; Baby Cookies (eg. Arrowroot & Baby MumMum); Formula – Parent's Choice #1 & #2 (available at Walmart); Walmart Gift Cards. These "little ones" need our help.


DO YOUR DUTY!



FIRST FRIDAY June 7th

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will commence at the end of Mass and continue until noon when the Blessed Sacrament will be retired. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church if you can commit to a specific time.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

 Next weekend, June 9, the Knights are collecting "refundable" beer, wine, liquor bottles and cans as well as pop cans which can be redeemed for wheelchairs for the needy. We thank you for your support of this project.

Also next weekend is the monthly collection of frozen casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre. There is a selection of **four easy-to-make recipes** available for you after all Masses this weekend. If you have not been able to participate in this wonderful program in the past, you are always welcome to start. If you have any questions concerning the program, someone will be available at the back of the church to assist you. Congratulations to those who have faithfully supported this program. Your efforts to feed the hungry are greatly appreciated and we thank you.



MARYGROVE CAMP

The Marygrove Camp Special Collection will be taken up on June 9th after Communion at all Masses. Many girls from less-fortunate families will be attending camp this summer. Envelopes are attached to the bulletin today. Please support this important work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Each and every child's camping experience is fully subsidized through this collection. Thank you for your support.



**JOIN US ON
FRIDAY JUNE 7TH
AT 7:00 P.M.**



"BABETTE'S FEAST"

Enter into the lives of two sisters in a remote 19th century Danish village, who take in a French refugee, Babette. She works as their servant, but has a secret that changes the lives of all who partake of the feast that she lovingly prepares for them. A must see!!

ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

"Processions teach the heart to follow unswervingly." This is our witness to Christ Jesus our King.

Sunday, June 23, 2019

Please bring your family and friends and join your fellow parishioners, on the Church grounds, for a small procession immediately after the 11:00 am Mass to celebrate The Feast of Corpus Christi. This tradition is ardently followed around the world, as well as in many Canadian parishes, and we are pleased to celebrate it in the Good Shepherd Parish. Refreshments served after procession.



**Blue Mass 2019
Saturday, June 15, 2019
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Blessed Trinity Parish
3220 Bayview Ave., North York
Please join Bishop Scott McCaig, in celebrating the Blue Mass. We will thank our first responders, men and women, serving our communities. Light refreshments and socializing after the mass.

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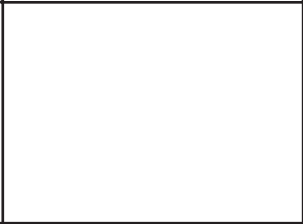
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