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Celebration of The Eucharist

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Thursday: 12:00 noon

Eucharistic Adoration (First Friday - following the 8:30 am Mass and closing with Solemn Benediction at 12:00 noon)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Second Sunday of the Month
By appointment only.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment only - Contact the pastor at least one year in advance.
An approved preparation course is mandatory.

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PENTECOST SUNDAY – June 9, 2019



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



June 11th – June 15th

Tues. 8:30 am – May Sheadow †

Wed. 8:30 am – Donald Jorge †

Thurs. 12:00 (noon) – Anita Fung †

Fri. 8:30 am – Patrizia Magnante †

Sat. 4:30 pm – Esdras Mendez †

THE WORD THIS WEEK

**"As the Father sent me, so
I am sending you: receive the
Holy Spirit."**

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, taken from the Gospel of John, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts to each other. It is enough to know that, after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

We previously heard today's Gospel on the second Sunday of Easter. At that time, we also heard the passage that follows, which describes Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, this reading reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." As he breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, Jesus sends his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins.

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are washed clean from sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God in forgiving sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

Readings for Sunday June 16th

1st Reading: Proverbs 8.22-31

2nd Reading: Romans 5.1-5

Gospel: John 16.-12-15



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*Tithes and
offerings*

Twenty students from the Parish will receive the Sacramental graces of Confirmation this Sunday afternoon.



The Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are Sacraments of Initiation. Confirmandi are invited to share more deeply in the grace received at Baptism. They are strengthened in their faith and fully take their place as members of the Church. Pope Paul VI explained: "The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life."

Let us rejoice with the Confirmandi, their parents and guests as we celebrate this beautiful Sacrament.

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.



2019 Cradle of Hope Conference

Saturday, June 29, 2019 8:30 am to 6:00 pm
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Family at the Heart of Prayer

Saturday, June 22, 2019 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Cardinal Thomas Collins is pleased to invite families from across the diocese to our second annual Archdiocesan gathering of families! Our family-friendly day will include inspirational talks from Cardinal Collins and families, prayer, praise and worship, Saturday morning Mass, and hands-on activities. Grandparents, parents, and children of all ages are welcome. Please visit: www.archtoronto.org/family for more information.

WHERE: St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, 4260 Cawthra Road, Mississauga

COST: \$35 per family (any size) and includes lunch and snacks

CONTACT: Ella Okonkwo at 416-934-3400 ext. 523 or eokonkwo@archtoronto.org

REGISTRATION CLOSURES: Wednesday, June 16, 2019

ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday, June 23, 2019

"Processions teach the heart to follow unswervingly."

This is our witness to Christ

Jesus our King.

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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