



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

The book of Sirach, a collection of wisdom sayings, reminds us that we have been given the freedom to choose right or wrong, life or death. God calls us only to life; our choice is to be made in fidelity to him. Though it may be difficult, God's law is not burdensome for those who choose to be faithful, They are happy to do his will. Such wisdom is not readily understood by the world, Paul tells us. Christ was crucified for preaching the wisdom that transcends human understanding. Jesus' life shows that we must die to ourselves in order to receive life. Only the Holy Spirit can lead us in the ways of God, since the Spirit alone plumbs his depths. God's commands, not to be set aside, are given their interpretation by Jesus in today's gospel; he completes the former law. He insists on an ideal of behaviour which goes beyond external legal obedience. Reconciliation with those we have offended takes precedence even over sacrifice to God. This way of life is demanding, but God's grace and guidance are with us.



6th Sunday in OT – February 16, 2014
 "No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him." If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God's love, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997 or on vocations@vocations.ca or call Fr. Victor at 416-757-2806 or email olfatima@rogers.com for information.

FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY tomorrow

Daily Mass will be at 9.00 am; office and church are closed
 There is no CONFIRMATION class [this Sat. Feb 15], no FIRST COMMUNION class and CHILDREN'S LITURGY [today, Sun. Feb. 16] because of the long FAMILY DAY holiday weekend.

First Holy Communion meetings ...

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings on the following Sundays: **Feb. 23**. Candidates in public schools have a formal class at 9.30 am in the church hall on these same Sundays. Thanks.

Next Confirmation classes are on ...

Classes take place in the church hall on Saturday at 2.30 pm. Attendance is **mandatory** for all meetings listed in the class schedule given out to with the application forms. Up-coming scheduled classes are on: **Feb. 22**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church, is also mandatory. Thanks.



| Mass Schedule | | February 17 - 22 2014 |
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| Mon 17 <i>Family Day Holiday</i> | 9:00 am | Ellen Butler (D) |
| Tues 18 | 8:00 am | Gavina Baclig (D) |
| Wed 19 | 7:00 pm | Savino Castellano (D) |
| Thur 20 | 8:00 am | Conrado Calma (D) |
| Fri 21 | 8:00 am | <i>In honor of St. Anthony</i> |
| Sat 22 | 9:00 am | Theresa Yantha (D) |
| | 4:30 pm | John Loughrin (D) |
| Sun 23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9:00 am | Antonio Reda (D) |
| | 10:30 am | For the People of the Parish <i>and for DEBORAH MANGAL (D)</i> |
| | 12:15 pm | Emma Stevens & Alex Balmaceda (D) |

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, FRANCE and SPAIN
Celebrating Quincentennial of St. Teresa of Avila
 Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Victor Mallia, OCD, Pastor, Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Toronto
September 15 – 27, 2014 13 days \$3,190.00

An information meeting for persons interested in this European/Marian Pilgrimage is scheduled for this Thursday February 20, 2014 in our church hall at 7:00 pm.

Travel arrangements by International Heritage Tours
 Tel: 905-886-0232 or 1-877-698-6886 Fax: 905-886-0269
 Contact: Stan xxt. 339 or 647-463-9057 or Fatima xxt. 316 or 647-294-4158
stan@ihtours.com fatima@ihtours.com www.ihtours.com

HELP FOR HURTING MARRIAGES
 A Live-in Weekend followed by post sessions to help heal troubled Marriages
Upcoming Weekend: April 25 - 27, 2014
 For confidential inquiries or to register call:
416-281-6007
www.torontoretrouville.com

CELIBACY!
 Why can't women be priests?
 What is celibacy for God's sake?
 We all know people who do not understand the Church's position on these two topics. Why not find out some great ways to respond to these people in your life.
 On **February 22** right after the 9:00 am Mass be at the church hall at **St. Bernadette's Parish**, 21 Bayly St. E. Ajax.
 Contact Tom Kennedy **905-427-6137** for more information or email tomandkennedy@gmail.com.



This Sunday – Sunday, Feb 16

This Sunday all our extra activities take a break; that is there is **NO First Holy Communion** class, **NO Children's Liturgy**, and **NO Lord's Flock** prayer meeting in the afternoon.

Family Day holiday – Monday, Feb 17

On this holiday Monday morning Mass in church is at 9 o'clock. The church and the

office are closed for the rest of the day.

OCDS community meeting – Tuesday, Feb 18

The community's monthly meeting begins at 7.00 pm in our church hall. Aspirants are to meet at the same time. The Council meeting will be prior to community meeting.

PILGRIMAGE information meeting – Thursday, Feb 20

In preparation for the EUROPEAN MARIAN PILGRIMAGE that the parish is organizing in September we have this information meeting for all interested parties. It will be in our church hall starting at 7.00 pm. The travel agent will be in attendance to give relevant information and answer questions. All are welcome.

This month's OLF school Mass – Friday, Feb 21

Staff and students from Our Lady of Fatima school have their monthly school Mass in the church at 9.00 am.

Weekend activities – Saturday, Feb 22

The RCIA meeting and Confirmation class will resume today at the regular time. A 2nd collection for Renovations Fund this weekend.

Today's liturgy ... 7th Sunday in O T – Sunday, Feb 23

Children's Liturgy resumes today during the 10.30 am Mass. The First Communion class meets today at 9.30 am [only for public schools applicants]. Those in Catholic schools meet for Children's Liturgy. The Lord's Flock prayer meeting today is at 2.00 pm as usual. There will be a baptism celebration in the church at 2.00 pm.

LUCIA DOS SANTOS SECULAR CARMEL COMMUNITY



The community's monthly meeting is this Tuesday, **February 18, 2014** in the church hall. Aspirants are expected to be present for the start of the community meeting at 7.00 pm.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married couples, you deserve a weekend to cherish being together and to rediscover each other and focus on ways to make your relationship even better!

A worldwide MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND offers this opportunity. *Upcoming weekend date – March 21-23.*

For more info and registration call Cora & Mike (905-896-2958) or cora-mikebryce@sympatico.ca

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2014

When? Saturday, March 1

Where? Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Bldg, 255 Front Street West, Toronto.

Time? 9.00 am – 5.30 pm

Info? www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org

Tickets? call 416-251-4255 or 905-270-2510

or write to: Catholic Renewal Ministries, 1 Clairtrell Road, Box CRM7, Toronto, Ontario, M2N 7H6

Remember to Evangelize



IT'S ONLY WORDS

It's only words the U.N. speaks,
While lives are lost and evil peaks;
The refugees from scattered parts,
Women and children with broken hearts!

We all agree that war is mad
Beyond control, entirely bad.
We choose this course again, again.
And know full well were all insane.

In Syria the poison gas,
Has shocked the world, it always has.
The innocent is mankind's shame,
Custodians were all to blame.

Let's pray all leaders will unite
To change the world from wrong to right;
To act in courage, one accord,
And pray to whom he calls his lord.

It can be done we must hold fast,
Correct the errors of the past.
This is our garden, land and sea,
Let's grow our love and harmony.

By the grace of God.....Dennis Hayes.....23-Aug-2013

A REMINDER ...

there is a second collection next weekend – Feb 22/23 – for the parish's **Renovation Fund** projects
Thank you in advance for your support.



Your generosity is greatly appreciated

