



8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A

Today's liturgy confronts us with a question: are we pagans in practice, or do we believe and act as though God really loves and cares for us? In Isaiah's prophecy God assures his people that they have not been forgotten. He loves them with a mother's love, the strongest of human affections. God's love is unconditional and unwavering. In the Gospel Jesus pictures God as a father who provides everything his children need. They are not to be like pagans, excessively concerned about material possessions. We need worry about one thing only, God's interests, God's kingdom. Then he will provide for us like a father and love us eternally like a mother. Detachment from things and attachment to God identifies us as Christians. St. Paul says that even the servants of the kingdom, Christ's ministers, must not be concerned about how their ministry is humanly judged. God will determine what thanks they should be given. Christians must live as though they really believe in God's love for them.



8th Sunday in OT – March 02, 2014
 "No one can serve two masters." If God calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon or religious, 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.



First Holy Communion meetings ...

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings on the following Sundays: **Mar. 2 & 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: **Mar. 1, 22, 29**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church, is also mandatory. *Thanks.*



Schedule on Wednesday March 5
Day of Fasting and Abstinence

12.00 **Stations of the Cross**
 12.30 pm **Holy Mass**
 with the distribution of Ashes
 5:45 pm **Reconciliation/Confessions**
 6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross**
 7:00 pm **Mass** with blessing & distribution of Ashes



LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY 2014

This Saturday, March 1 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Bldg., 255 Front Street West, Toronto from 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, Box CRM7, Toronto, Ontario, M2N 7H6



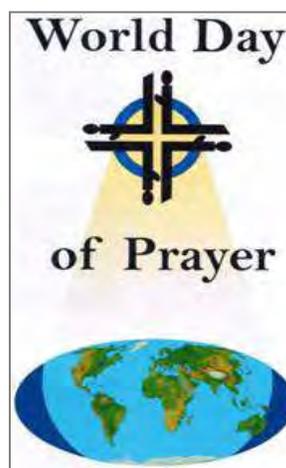
 <i>Keeping a Holy Lent</i>		March 03 - 09 2014
Mon 03	8:00 am	Barit Family (I) – In thanksgiving
Tues 04	8:00 am	Natasha Carla Abogado (D)
Wed 05	12:30 pm	Giovanna Pallaria (D)
Ash Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vito, Antonio, Rosa Caporusso (D)
Thur 06	8:00 am	Jamie Montierro (D)
Fri 07	12:30 pm	In honor of St. Anthony In thanks
First Friday	7:00 pm	Holy Souls
Sat 08	9:00 am	Victor Nilo Boggiano (D)
	4:30 pm	Marianyagam Fam. (I) In thanks
Sun 09 1st Sunday of Lent	9:00 am	For War Veterans
	10:30 am	Egberto Mondejar Sr. (D)
	12:15 pm	For the People of the Parish

Every Friday during Lent ...

8.00 am Morning Mass
 6.30 pm Stations & Holy Mass

Every Saturday in Lent ...

9.00 am Morning Mass
 9.45 am Reconciliation/Confessions
 3.45 pm Reconciliation/Confessions
 4.30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass



Next Saturday, March 8 at 2.00 pm at Clairlea Park Presbyterian Church 3236 St Clair Ave. E. [east of Pharmacy]

This year's theme is "Streams in the Desert" and was written by the World Day Committee of Egypt.

World Day of Prayer is a world-wide movement of Christian women of many traditions who each year, since 1922, come together on the first Friday or Saturday of March to observe a

common day of prayer. This service offers us a moment to reflect upon and affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, to share in the community of Christians around the world, and to commit to working for social justice.

Join us in this service with members of Victoria Park United, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic and St. Bede's Anglican Churches, along with Christians around the world. A guest speaker will deliver a keynote address.

For more information please phone Eleanor Stephen-Ritchie at 416-759-1990



This Sunday – Sunday, Mar 02
 There is **Children’s Liturgy** during the 10.30 am Mass. The **First Holy 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. **Please Note that for the next**

two weekends there are no classes or Children’s Liturgy because of the schools’ March Break. These will all resume on the weekend of March 22/23.

Baptism Preparation Meeting – Monday, Mar 03

This meeting is for parents and godparents; it will be in the church at 7.00 pm. The baptism celebration is on Saturday at 10.30 am.

ASH WEDNESDAY – Lent begins – Wednesday, Mar 05

Day of Fasting and abstinence! At 12.00 noon we pray the Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. We pray again the Stations of the Cross at 6.30 pm and then Holy Mass at 7.00 which includes the blessing and giving of ashes.

Students and Staff at Our Lady of Fatima School will celebrate the beginning of Lent at 9.15 am in the school’s gym. The St. Joachim School compliment will celebrate Ash Wednesday in the school’s gym at 10.30 am.

First Friday devotions – Friday, Mar 07

Devotions start at 12.15 pm and include prayers, DM chaplet, Mass and adoration. At 6.00 pm prayers, the chaplet, benediction. At 6.30 pm we pray the Stations of the Cross and then holy Mass.

Weekend activities – Saturday, Mar 08

There is a regular **RCIA meeting** at 10.00 am but **No confirmation class.**

Sunday’s liturgy ... 1st Sunday of Lent – Sunday, Mar 09

No Children’s Liturgy or **First Communion** class. The **Lord’s Flock** prayer meeting today is at 2.00 pm as usual. The **RCIA** team and candidates in this year’s program will participate in the **RITE OF ELECTION** presided by Bishop Vincent Nguyen.

It’s BUNDLE UP time!



We accept Winter Coats, Boots, Children’s Wear, Baby Clothes, Ladies’ Wear, Men’s Clothing, Toys, Bedding, Shoes, Drapes, Accessories, Household goods.

NO mattresses or appliances accepted!

*The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be parked in the school’s alley in the weekend of **March 15/16** ... Thanks*

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



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 or www.torontoretrouvaille.com

