



**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT - A**

Jesus is the light of the world. As he gave sight to the blind beggar without being asked, so he heals our blindness. Like the blind man's healing and David's anointing, our gift of faith and baptism are unmerited. The beggar's sight was restored by washing in the pool; our baptismal washing is a sacramentally effective sign of the vision which faith alone gives. Yet full understanding comes slowly. The beggar became a type of the faithful Christian when he witnessed steadfastly to Christ even before he had actually seen him. Jesus seeks him out and reveals his full identity; the beggar is then ready to respond, "Lord I do believe!" The letter to the Ephesians tells us that, if we are children of light, we will learn to view life as God does. Our entire behavior will be affected. The good shepherd psalm assures that God will be with us even on dark days. May we be light to all who are blind, our lives signs of what Christ can do, our words faithful witnesses to Christ, the Light.



*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – March 23, 2014*  
 "We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day." Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo at 416-968-0997 or on [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca) or call Fr. Victor at 416-757-2806 or email [olfatima@rogers.com](mailto:olfatima@rogers.com)

for information.

The first **ShareLife** collection in this year's campaign is this weekend, **March 29/30**, in a second collection in all of this weekend's Masses. Donations for this campaign are welcome at any time of the year. Please visit [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org).



**PLEASE BE GENEROUS**



**First Holy Communion meetings ...**

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings on the following Sundays: **Apr. 6, 13 27 & May 4, 11**. 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: **Apr. 5 & May 3, 10, 24, 31**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church, is also mandatory. *Thanks.*



**This Friday is First Friday of the month ...**  
**12 noon** Stations of the Cross, Mass & Adoration  
**6.00 pm** Divine Mercy chaplet and Benediction  
**6.30 pm** Stations of the Cross & Holy Mass

 <i>Keeping a Holy Lent</i>		<b>March 31 – April 06 2014</b>
Mon 31	8:00 am	<b>James &amp; Maria Kam (D)</b>
Tues 01	8:00 am	<b>Pedro Magtuba (D)</b>
Wed 02	7:00 pm	<b>Cheok Than (D)</b>
Thur 03	8:00 am	<b>Lorna Henry (D)</b>
Fri 04 <i>First Friday</i>	12:30 am	<b>Vito Caporusso &amp; Trentadue Fam. (D)</b>
	7:00 pm	<b>Holy Souls</b>
Sat 05 <i>First Saturday</i>	9:00 am	<b>Florentino &amp; Jacinta Magtuba (D)</b>
	4:30 pm	<b>Emily Osorio (D)</b>
Sun 06 <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> <i>RCIA 3<sup>rd</sup> Scrutinies</i>	9:00 am	<b>Needs of all Handicapped (I)</b>
	10:30 am	<b>Cheok Than (D)</b>
	12:15 pm	<b>For the People of the Parish</b>

**Day of Confessions**

**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup> 2014**

**BACK OFF DEVIL I BELONG TO JESUS!**

**08.30 – 11.30 am**  
**05.00 – 6.30 pm**



**Pray the WAY OF THE CROSS at home ... every day!**

A newly produced DVD, in time for this Lenten season, is useful for the shut-ins or seniors and all others unable to join us in church on Fridays for the *Stations of the Cross*. **Copies, ideal as Lenten gifts, available from the office at \$7.00 per copy**

**MASS OF CHRISM**

**Our Archbishop – His Emm. Thomas Cardinal Collins – will celebrate the MASS OF CHRISM with all the priests of the archdiocese on Tuesday, April 15 at St. Michael's Cathedral at 11.00 am.**



The Holy Oils – blessed during this Mass – will be afterwards distributed to all the parishes to be used in the celebration of the sacraments as from Easter.

*Deacons and all parishioners are invited to attend.*



**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.torontoretrouville.com](http://www.torontoretrouville.com)**



**This 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent** – Sunday, Mar 30  
**Children's Liturgy & First Communion** classes continue today. The RCIA 2<sup>nd</sup> Scrutinies are celebrated today during the 12.15 pm Mass. It is SHARELIFE weekend and we have the first collection at all Masses. The **Lord's Flock** prayer meeting today is at 2.00 pm and there is a baptism celebration in the church at 2.00 pm.  
**Baptism Preparation Meeting** – Monday, Mar 31  
 Parents and godparents have a preparation meeting in the church at 7.00 pm. The baptism celebration is on Saturday at 10.30 am.  
**Fatima devotions** – Wednesday, Apr 02  
 Regular Fatima devotions: the Rosary is prayed at 6.30 pm followed by the celebration of holy Mass. There is no morning Mass and the church remains closed.  
**Lent & First Friday devotions** – Friday, Apr 04  
 Morning Mass is at 8 o'clock as usual. At 6.30 pm we pray the Stations of the Cross. Holy Mass follows at 7.00 pm. Parishioners are encouraged to participate.  
**Weekend activities** – Saturday, Apr 05  
 The **RCIA meeting** at 10.00 am is a general review of the whole program Next week it will be a practice [rehearsal] in the church. The **Confirmation class** meets today, but there is no class for the next 3 Saturdays.  
**Sunday's liturgy ... 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent** – Sunday, Apr 06  
**Children's Liturgy & First Communion** classes meet today at the regular time. This Sunday we have the RCIA 3<sup>rd</sup> Scrutinies [final] during the 12.15 pm Mass. There is a **Lord's Flock** prayer meeting today as usual.

**This Lent remember  
 CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION**

Remember to practice and live what you learn this Lent. As you continue your good Lenten practices, we suggest that what you save by fasting and other penances – any small change will do – give it as part of your alms-giving toward a charity that defends life.

**Yes .... every penny counts!**

**NOTHING CAN  
 COMPARE  
 TO  
 THE  
 LOVE OF GOD.**

*What do I believe?  
 I believe in the holy scripture of the Bible.  
 I believe in the teachings of the Catholic Church.  
 I believe in the power of prayer.  
 I believe in the Blessed Trinity.  
 You may say, Oh yes I know all that  
 but.....this can be ambiguous.  
 What is the most significant event of all your belief?*

**The Resurrection**

We called him Jesus, son of God.  
 The sacrificial lamb,  
 So pure divine and full of grace,  
 The innocence of man;

They mocked and crucified God's son,  
 Was slaughtered and was slain,  
 The saviour of the world, made known,  
 That he would rise again,

He suffered on the sacred cross,  
 Through torture pain, till dead,  
 Three days he lay within the tomb,  
 Then rose as he had said;

He bore our sins he paid the price,  
 Our Lord Our God Our Saviour,  
 No greater love is ever found,  
 He showed by his behaviour.

He paved the way to follow him,  
 To everlasting life,  
 And opened wide the heaven's gate,  
 Reward from sin and strife.

I try to live within his word,  
 His mercy and protection,  
 Almighty God I know for sure,  
 You are the resurrection.

The risen Lord, the miracle,  
 The glory let us greet her,  
 Salvation grant, for one and all,  
 And praise this **BLESSED EASTER**

By the grace of God.....Dennis Hayes.....01-Feb-2014

**INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2014**

- Novena 1 – Fri April 25 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 2 – Fri May 23 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 3 – Wed June 25 at 5.30 pm
- Novena 4 – Fri July 25 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 5 – Fri August 22 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 6 – Fri September 12 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 7 – Fri October 24 at 6.00 pm
- Novena 8 – Wed November 26 at 5.30 pm
- Novena 9 – Fri December 26 at 10.00 am

**The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at 6.00 pm**

