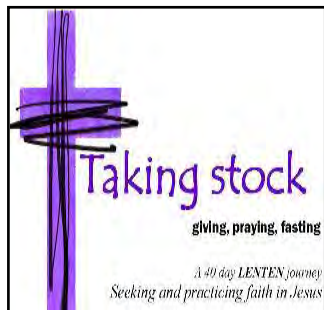





1st SUNDAY OF LENT - A

On this first Sunday of lent we consider the human experience of temptation and sin through literary forms heavily conditioned by ancient Jewish culture. The story of man and woman in the garden is contrasted with the temptations of Jesus in the desert – described in symbolic language – and the relationship between sinner and saviour, Adam and Christ. Jesus, who was fasting as sign of total dependence upon God, refused to rely on material things, count on miracles, or take the royal road to success. Our first parents relied on themselves; they refused responsibility for their sin and blames someone else. But, St. Paul tells us, Jesus took the sin of all on his innocent shoulders. He experienced human weakness and yet remained fully open to God's call. In his own body he reconciled us, making it possible to say no to temptations of materialism in lifestyle, showy rather than simple faith, domination of others. God can change our human failure into victory, just as he raised Jesus to lordship at Easter!



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|  <i>Keeping a Holy Lent</i> | | March 10 - 16 2014 |
| Mon 10 | 8:00 am | All souls in purgatory |
| Tues 11 | 8:00 am | Alonzo, Paz, Pagatpat (D) |
| Wed 12 | 7:00 pm | Giuseppe Viscomi (D) |
| Thur 13 | 8:00 am | Joe & Mary Thomas (D) |
| Fri 14 | 8:00 am | Cheok Than (D) |
| | 7:00 pm | Michael Kam & Johanna Lau (D) |
| Sat 15 | 9:00 am | Aileen Duffy (D) |
| | 4:30 pm | Raymundo & Roselie (D) |
| Sun 16 2 nd Sunday of Lent | 9:00 am | Frank & Beniamino Visconti (D) |
| | 10:30 am | Rocchina Lamanna (D) |
| | 12:15 pm | For the People of the Parish |



1st Sunday of Lent – March 09, 2014

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo 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. 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. 22, 29**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church, is also mandatory. *Thanks.*



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 next weekend of **March 15/16** ... *Thanks*



Every Friday during Lent ...

8.00 am Morning Mass

6.30 pm Stations & Holy Mass

Every Saturday in Lent ...

9.00 am Morning Mass

3.45 pm Reconciliation/Confessions

4.30 pm Sunday Vigil Mass

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



This Sunday – 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. The venue is St. Isaac Jogues Parish in Pickering.

Please keep all candidates and their families in your prayers. The community will officially welcome all candidates on the Sundays we celebrate the ‘Scrutinies’.

Fatima devotions – Wednesday, Mar 12

The regular Fatima devotions resume as of today. 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 devotions – Friday, Mar 14

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, Mar 15

There is a regular **RCIA meeting** at 10.00 am. **No confirmation class** today; they resume next week. The **OCDS Secretariat** is today hosting a **Day of Reflection** in our church hall between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Sunday’s liturgy ... 2nd Sunday of Lent – Sunday, Mar 16

No Children’s Liturgy or First Communion class today. These will resume next weekend. The **Lord’s Flock** prayer meeting today is at 2.00 pm as usual.

This Lent 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 who are unable to come to church on Fridays to pray the **Stations of the Cross**.

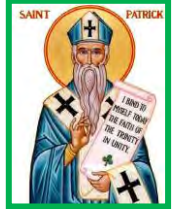


Masterly compiled and edited by Mr. A. Vella, the DVD uses the prayers prayed in the church and portrays the artistic Stations [statuettes] that are our pride and joy. The background music is original, solemn and inspires devotion. Copies, ideal to be shared and given as gifts, are available from the office at \$7.00 per copy.



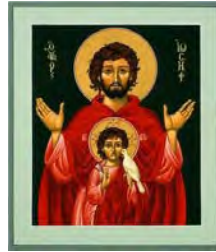
Annual St. Patrick’s Day Mass

All are invited to the Annual **St. Patrick’s Day Mass** at St. Michael’s Cathedral, Toronto, on Monday, March 17 at 10.00 am. Cardinal Collins will preside with the participation of the Alumni Choir, St. Michael’s Choir School. All are welcome.



ST. JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF B.V.M.

AND PATRON OF CANADA



On Wednesday, March 19, **Solemn Feast day of Saint Joseph**, Patron of Canada, there is morning Mass at **8.00 am**. Evening devotions start at **6.30 pm**. Solemn Mass follows at **7.00 pm**. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

The **2014 ShareLife Campaign** starts in the last weekend of **March**. The traditional **Appeal** will be delivered during all Masses of the weekend before that is **March 22/23**. The following weekend, **March 29/30**, we will have the **first of three collections** of the campaign. But your donations for this campaign are welcome and acknowledged at any time of the year. Visit www.sharelife.org, for more information.



PLEASE BE GENEROUS

This Lent remember CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION

Remember to practice what you life 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!*

Day of Confessions

Wednesday April 9th 2014

BACK OFF DEVIL. I BELONG TO JESUS!

8.00 – 9.00 am
4.30 – 6.30 pm