



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – B

Our first reading, about the plight of lepers in ancient Israel, prepares for the gospel. Lepers were excluded from all religious practices and forced to live on the margin of society. Their sickness was considered a punishment for sin, while health was a sign of holiness. The priest judged the condition of the sufferer who confessed his sin; healing signified conversion. As in other incidents, Jesus rejects society's taboos and compassionately reaches out to touch the leper. With this touch and his reassuring word, he cures and purifies. The man cannot keep quiet, and his story draws crowds. The Good News is spreading; but are crowds coming out of faith or to see miracles? St. Paul's advice, on another topic, is timely. In Corinth some Christians were more open to the world and to change; others were easily scandalized. Sometimes the exercise of our freedom should give way to concern for others' spiritual welfare. We give glory to God when we pattern our behavior after that of Christ crucified and his apostle.



**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
– February 15, 2015**

Today's Gospel says that "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today, Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux** at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org or call **Fr. Victor Mallia ocd** at 416-757-2806 or email him at olfatima@rogers.com for further information.

First Holy Communion meetings ...

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings on the following Sundays: **Feb 22, Mar 1, 8, 29**. Candidates in public schools have a class at 9.30 am in the church hall on these same Sundays. *Thanks.*



Next Confirmation classes are on ...

Classes start at 2.30 pm in the church hall. Attendance is **mandatory** for all the meetings schedule. These are the up-coming classes: **Feb 21, 28 Mar 7, 28**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church is mandatory. *Thanks.*



"Valentine's Day" Double event!

Evening Party & Breakfast/Brunch
 Sat. February 14, 2015 from 5:30 pm
 Sun. February 15, 2015 after 10:30 & 12:15 Mass

...Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Call 416-757-2806 for reservations

Happening this weekend in our church hall.

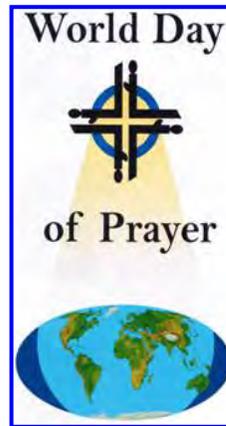
 <i>Keeping a Holy Lent</i>		February 16 - 22 2014
Mon 16 <i>Family Day Holiday</i>	9:00 am	James Boyd [D]
Tues 17	8:00 am	Theodora Yambot [D] – 1st anniv.
Wed 18 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	12:30 pm	Bayani Solidum [D]
	7:00 pm	Jaime Silveira [D]
Thur 19	8:00 am	Bayani Solidum [D]
Fri 20	8:00 am	Kay Bennett [D]
	7:00 pm	Savino Castellano [D]
Sat 21	9:00 am	Steven D'Costa [I]
	4:30 pm	Jaime Silveira [D]
Sun 22 1st Sunday of Lent	9:00 am	Joseph & Theresa Marks Jandrasitis
	10:30 am	Emma Stevens & Alex Balmaceda [D]
	12:15 pm	People of the Parish & Michael Mangialardi [D]

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



**On Saturday, March 7 at 1.30 pm
at Our Lady of Fatima Church
3170 St Clair Ave. E.
[east of Victoria Park]**

This year's theme is "Jesus said to them: Do you know what I have done to you?" and was written by the World Day Committee of The Bahamas. 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, St. Bede's Anglican, Clairlea Presbyterian 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, Feb 15
 This weekend we have **NO RCIA or Confirmation/First Communion class**. This is the night of the **Valentine's Party** in our church hall from 5.30 pm. On Sunday morning, after the 10.30 am & 12.15 pm Masses a **Breakfast /Brunch** is served in our hall. Get your tickets in advance!
Classes & meetings resume next week.

Family Day Holiday – Monday, Feb 16

Have a happy holiday this Monday!

Morning Mass is at 9.00 am
Church & Office are closed for the day

Monthly OCDS community meeting – Tuesday, Feb 17
 The Lucia dos Santos community of Secular Carmelites, meet for their monthly gathering at 7.00 pm in our church hall.

ASH WEDNESDAY – Lent begins – Wednesday, Feb 18
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 9.00 am in the school's gym. The St. Joachim School compliment will celebrate Ash Wednesday in the school's gym at 10.30 am.

Friday Lenten Devotions – Friday, Feb 20
 At 6.30 pm we pray the Stations of the Cross. Holy Mass at 7.00 pm concludes the day's devotions.

Weekend Activities – Saturday, Feb 21
 The RCIA session will be at 10.00 am as usual **in the church**. The **Confirmation class** today is at 2.30 pm. In all of the weekend Masses there is **a second collection** for the church's **Renovations Fund**. Thank you for your support.

Today's liturgy ... 1st Sunday of Lent – Sunday, Feb 22
 There is **First Communion class, Children's Liturgy and Lord's Flock** prayer meeting. The OCDS Secretariat will host a special gathering for all members in our church hall at 5.00 pm. They will be addressed by **Fr. John Grennan OCD** – assistant of the Order's Superior General and his delegate to English-speaking countries.



Schedule on Wednesday Feb. 18
Day of Fasting and Abstinence

- 12:00 noon **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 2015

Saturday, March 7 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



< FREE ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR >

Saturday, March 07, 2015 at 9:00am

Catholic Cemeteries and the estate planning team will share information about:

An estate planning kit and free refreshments will be provided.
Location: Christ the King Cemetery-7770 Steeles Avenue E, Markham, ON – RSVP:

Frank Jannetta at 416.733-8544 ext. 2023 or fjannetta@ccat.on.ca

ShareLife Campaign 2015

The ShareLife Campaign traditionally begins with the 1st Sunday of Lent. This year we are starting a little earlier.



Working wonders in our community

"We are all called to care for those who are vulnerable in our community. The ShareLife parish campaign gives us an opportunity to reach out in justice and love. Last year, ShareLife's 42 agencies and grant recipients provided over 381,000 services to over 114,000 people here in our archdiocese, and assisted countless others in developing countries around the world. In 42 municipalities, and in more than 20 languages, those in need received support and care as a result of our generosity. My prayer is that you will join me as together we work wonders to lovingly care for those who are in need around us" - Thomas Cardinal Collins.

Cardinal Collins Invites Feedback for Synod of Bishops



Cardinal Collins is inviting Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto to offer insights and feedback on issues that will be considered as part of the 2015 Synod of Bishops on "The Vocation and the Mission of the Family in the Church and in the Contemporary World." Full details including background documents can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/synod; deadline for feedback: Feb 16, 2015.

Catholics urged to Support Physicians' Charter Right of Freedom of Conscience and Religion

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO) in a proposed new draft document states: "Where physicians are unwilling to provide certain elements of care due to their moral or religious beliefs, an effective referral to another health care provider must be provided to the patient". Catholic physicians believe that a mandate for an "effective referral" is a violation of a physician's rights, as it *compels the physician to violate his or her own conscience by being a participant in the very act, the very procedure to which he or she objects in the first place*. The CPSO is accepting submissions from all Ontario citizens until February 20. We are all called to inform the CPSO in writing that we reject the proposed "effective referral" mandate for doctors whose Charter right of freedom of conscience and religion must be respected. The Catholic Civil Rights League (CCRL) is one Catholic lay group coordinating these efforts. Go to www.ccrl.ca to find out more and to get involved.

