



**23<sup>rd</sup> SUN IN ORDINARY TIME - B**

Salvation is meant for the entire person. God's healing of the blind, the lame, the deaf and dumb, which Isaiah promises, is the sign of complete liberation from sin and the effects of sin; the water flowing in the dry land of Palestine symbolizes salvation. In the story of Jesus' cure of a deaf –mute, today's gospel gives us a sign that the salvation promised is at hand. This miracle takes place among the pagans, anticipating the Christian ministry to the world; it shares many features of pagan miracle stories. But Jesus' gestures are the sign language by which he communicates with the one he is healing. Jesus, the hidden Messiah who avoids worldly fame, can no longer keep secret his wonderful works! The letter of James shows how the Church can be a sign of God's salvation in today's world. We who share a common faith belong to the family of Jesus. The poor among us should be treated as well as the rich are. Indeed, we as Church should identify with the poor and oppressed, for they were the first to be enriched by God with faith in Christ.



**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT – Sept. 06, 2015**

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call Fr. Chris at

416-968-0997 or email at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call Fr. Victor at 416-757-2806 or email at [ofatima@rogers.com](mailto:ofatima@rogers.com) for further information.

**\*\*\* Regular Office Hours \*\*\***

... as of September 08, 2015

Monday	9.00 am – 3.00 pm
Tuesday	9.00 am – 3.00 pm
Wednesday	9.00 am – 3.00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am – 3:00 pm



**Reminder**

Office closes for lunch break from 12.00 noon to 1.00 pm and is closed all day on all Saturdays, Sundays and other Statutory Holidays.

**Life is fragile**

		<b>September 07-13 2015</b>
Mon 07 <i>Labour Day</i>	9:00 am	Siman Gomes [D]
Tues 08 <i>Nativity of B.V.M.</i>	8:00 am	Gerold J. Garcia [I] <i>Birthday</i>
	7:00 pm	<i>Good of the Carmelite Order</i>
Wed 09	7:00 pm	Gemeniano Solidum [D] <i>+ Commemoration 5<sup>th</sup> Fatima Apparition</i>
Thur 10	8:00 am	Angelita Pilapil [D]
Fri 11	8:00 am	Frances Callahan [D]
Sat 12	9:00 am	Joseph Fernandes [D]
	4:30 pm	Antonio Lapolla [D]
Sun 13 <b>24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:00 am	Saganski Family [D]
	10:30 am	Paul del Rio [I]
	12:15 pm	People of the Parish

**This Monday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, is**  
**LABOUR DAY**  
**Daily Mass is at 9.00 am.**

**2015-2016 Confirmation Classes**  
**REGISTRATIONS are CLOSED**

Both Confirmation programs are starting:  
 for **Gd8 students** – **Fri. Sept. 11, 2015** in hall at 7pm;  
 for **Gd7 students** – **Fri. Jan. 29, 2016** in hall at 7pm.  
 Call the office [416-757-2806] for more details.  
*Thank you.*



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

The Children's Liturgy meetings will resume on **Sunday, September 20** during the **10.30 am Mass**. All children – from 6 to 10 years old – are welcome to attend and participate. Applications for **First Communion Classes** will be announced later on.



**The SENIORS' ACTIVITY CLUB**

resume their weekly gatherings at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine Hall starting on **Thursday, September 10, 2015** from **12:30 to 3:00 pm**. Seniors are very welcome to join.



**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in OT – Sunday, Sept 06**

On this long holiday weekend there is no LORD'S FLOCK prayer meeting. The regular office hours resume on Tuesday.

**Labour Day holiday – Monday, Sept 07**

The morning Mass is at 9.00 and the office and church are closed for the rest of the day.

**Birthday of the Virgin Mary – Tuesday, Sept 08**

Today we have morning Mass at 8.00 am. The Lord's Flock Music Ministry will lead the singing during the OCDS's celebration starting at 6.15 pm. Prayers include: the Rosary and Evening Prayer. Enrolment in the brown Scapular of Our Lady of Carmel, the INVESTITURE of new members and the PROFESSION of Definitive Promises of one member will take place within the evening's celebration. All are welcome to attend. Today we also welcome the staff and students of our two Catholic Schools as they return to classes after their summer vacations.

**Fatima Novena Prayers – Wednesday, Sept 09**

The regular Fatima devotions start at 6.30 pm as usual. We include today the commemoration of the 5<sup>th</sup> Fatima Apparition at the end of Mass in the form of a short indoor procession with the statue of the Virgin Mary. All are welcome to join us.

**Parish activities – Thursday, Sept 10**

The SENIORS ACTIVITIES CLUB resumes its weekly gatherings today. The KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS have their general meeting at 7.15 pm in the Knights Chambers.

**Confirmation Initial Meeting – Friday, Sept 11**

Students in **Grade 8** who have registered in this year's Confirmation Program have an initial [orientation] meeting in our church hall at 7.00 pm. Only **Gd8 students** who have already registered with their parents need attend this meeting.

**Weekend Activities – Saturday, Sept 12**

Apart from the 9 am Mass, we have a wedding celebration at 12.30 pm. During the 4.30 pm Mass Grade 8 students will have their ENROLMENT in this year's Confirmation program. Parents and family are invited to attend.

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT – Sunday, Sept 13**

There is no CHILDREN'S LITURGY meeting as yet; these will resume next Sunday. The LORD'S FLOCK have their weekly prayer meeting at the regular time of 2.00 pm. New members are welcome to join.

**The Lucia dos Santos OCDS Community**



**6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemoration and INVESTITURE & PROFESSION celebrations**

All are invited to a **Thanksgiving Celebration of the Eucharist on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 – feast of the NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** - marking the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary from the foundation of this community of Secular Carmelites. Two aspirants will be *INVESTED* with the Scapular and admitted to the two-year formation program and one member will be professing *FIRST PROMISES*. The celebration starts at 6.15 pm and includes the **Rosary and Evening Prayer (Vespers)**.

**All are welcome especially friends and family of candidates.** Candidates joining the Aspirants Program for this year are invited to attend the celebration.

**Remember to regularly visit our new website:**

**[www.fatimashrine.ca](http://www.fatimashrine.ca)**

Regularly updated with new photos and weekly announcements

**R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2015 – Mar. 2016**

Anyone interested in *joining* the Catholic Church? Already a Catholic and would like to *deepen your faith*? Perhaps you want to *refresh* your catholic doctrine?

**Then you are invited to join the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program, a journey of prayer and instruction for those who wish to explore and strengthen the beauty of the Catholic faith.**

If you or anyone you know are interested, contact the parish office, during office hours, pick up a form or phone us on (416) 757-2806. Email: [olfatima@rogers.com](mailto:olfatima@rogers.com)

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS .....**

**1. for the parish's RENOVATIONS FUND:**

> the installation of a **new boiler/furnace** is almost completed;

> **air-conditioning system** for the church also on the drawing board, to be installed before next summer!

The collection is **next weekend**. Please use envelopes in box of donation envelopes or those available at church entrances.

**2. for the NEEDS OF CHURCH IN CANADA ...** this annual

collection for the **Needs of the Church in Canada** is done in all parishes across the nation on the weekend of **September 26/27**. Funds are used by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCBB) for national, inter-national, pastoral and humanitarian activities worldwide.



**Thank you for your generous support!**

**The annual LIFE CHAIN by Campaign Life for RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY will this year take place on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 - 3:00 pm at the usual location: Danforth/Victoria Pk intersection. KEEP THAT HOUR FREE AND JOIN US!**

**Welcome back school staff and students**



in **Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School** and in **St. Joachim Catholic School!**

We hope you had a very good summer break and by now are settling down to the School's routine. We greet again **Olympia Crosby,**

Principal at Fatima School,

and **Nicole Peres,** Principal at St. Joachim's in their second year with us. To both we wish them another happy and fruitful year. We also welcome new staff and teachers, and all new students, that complete the schools' personnel and the its full compliment. May you always be inspired by the Holy Spirit in all future endeavors.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

**BUNDLE UP Weekend ... September 26/27**

Winter Coats, Boots, Children's & Baby's Clothing, Ladies Wear, Men's Wear, Shoes, Bedding, Drapes, Accessories, etc.



**Thanksgiving Food Drive**

**On the weekends of October 3/4 + 10/11**

**We count on your support ... God bless**