



5th Sunday of Easter – C

LOVE ONE ANOTHER. AS I HAVE LOVED YOU... JOHN 13:34

How tempted the disciples were to look back at Jesus' earthly ministry and cling to the memory of his time with them! But Jesus insisted on something else, something harder. As he took his departure, they were to look toward the future. Their relationships

with one another in the community of the Church were to show the selfless love Jesus had taught them. His new commandment calls for a self-forgetful love which reaches out to the world. What Jesus did becomes the norm for what we do. Our love is the identifying mark; are we being recognized as disciples? The Church's everyday life should manifest the new universe about which we hear in Revelation. God's vision for the world is symbolized by the holy city, the new Jerusalem. There God lives in intimate love with all nations. Sorrow is ended; the old order has passed, the new is here. It is all God's work, even as it is God who, in Acts, works through the apostles to strengthen the Church and join new members to it. Let us do our part, and give God the glory. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5th Sunday of Easter - April 24, 2016

The new commandment of love is required of every one who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Fr. Victor 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. The next meetings are on Apr 24 & May 1 during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass, and Saturday, May 7 is First Communion Day. Thanks.

Next Confirmation classes are on ...

Classes start at 2.30 pm in the church hall. Attendance is mandatory for all the meetings. Up-coming classes: Apr 23 [this weekend] & May 14 [revision]. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church is a must. Thanks.

INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2016



Novena 1 – Wed April 27 at 5:30 pm

Novena 2 – Wed May 25 at 5:30 pm

Novena 3 – Wed June 22 at 5:30 pm

The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 6.00 pm

Sunday, May 8 is ... MOTHER'S DAY



		April 25 – May 01 2016
Mon 25	8:00 am	Rosemarie Junor [D]
Tues 26	8:00 am	Pauline Gomes [D]
Wed 27	7:00 pm	Ana Cathrina Alfonso [I]- B'day
Thur 28	8:00 am	Deborah Mangal [D]
Fri 29	8:00 am	Janet Miles [D]
Sat 30	9:00 am	John Corcoran [D]
	4:30 pm	Tony Albi [D]
Sun 01 <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:30 am	Flor Vendiola [D]
	12:15 pm	Salvador Alcantara [D]

SEEING WITH HEART ...



14th DAY OF REFLECTION for Catholic parents of lesbian daughters, gay sons and transgendered children

WHEN: Saturday, June 4 from 9 am to 5 pm

WHERE: MANRESA RENEWAL CENTRE
2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON L1X 1V4.

PRICE: \$40.00 (includes lunch)

INFO: call JOHN MONTAGUE on 416-523-6449

POLICE WARNING:
Church users should park vehicles correctly, not in fire route or in front of garages.

NO PARKING

Vehicles improperly parked will be towed away or ticketed!



We are back ... join us on Thursday from April 28 for ... weekly sessions in LINE DANCING (Cardio) by a qualified trainer on two levels:

1) *Beginners* and 2) *Advanced*

every Thursday, 6:30 to 7:30 pm (Zumba) and 7:30 to 8:30 pm (Line Dancing)

Fee: \$5.00/person for evening

Proceeds go to OLF Renovations Fund

For details & registrations call the office at 416-757-2806.

ALL ARE WELCOME



5th Sunday of Easter – Sun. Apr 24

The **Children's Liturgy** and **First Communion classes** continue today at the regular time. The **LORD'S FLOCK** has a formal prayer meeting from 2.00 pm in the hall.

Baptism preparation mtg – Monday, Apr 25

We have a Baptism Preparation meeting for parents and godparents this evening at 7:00 pm in the church. The next baptism celebration is this Saturday at 10:30 am.

Start of INFANT JESUS NOVENA & Fatima Devotions – Wed. Apr 27

A Holy Hour of prayer, song and adoration starts at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to join in this prayer hour. The regular Fatima Devotions start at 6.30 pm as usual. Evening Mass at 7:00 pm follows.

Weekend activities – Sat. April 30

Candidates in our **Confirmation Program** have **NO** class today. Their final revision class is on May 14. The behavior of some of the candidates, especially in church during Saturday Mass, has been **very unbecoming and not at all proper in a place of worship where the community is gathered in prayer.** Parishioners are very upset and they have indicated some faces. You better put your act together soon before some faces are taken off the list of **confirmandi.**

Anticipated Sunday Mass is at the regular time of 4:30 pm. In all of this weekend Masses there is a 2nd collection for in aid of the **POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS** [Papal Charities]

6th Sunday of Easter – Sun. May 01

There is **Children's Liturgy** and a final class ahead of the **First Holy Communion** celebration next Saturday. The **LORD'S FLOCK** has a prayer meeting as usual from 2.00 pm in the hall.

March For Life Thurs. May 14, 2016



The **19th annual National March for Life** will be held place in our Nation's Capital on **May 12, 2016.** The rally begins on Parliament Hill at 12.00 noon. The theme: **#endthekilling,** is a clear message to Ottawa that we do not want abortion or euthanasia in Canada and that all life be protected in law.

For info email: clc.@campaignlifecoalition.com
or call: 1-800-730-5358 or 416-204-9749

TERESIAN CARMELITE EDUCATION & SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

The Carmelite Spirituality Centre is hosting a series of lectures on: **Holy Year of Mercy – Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.**



Lectures – in this Holy Year of Mercy – are hosted in our church hall on:
Sun. May 15 – Misericordiae Vultus – Part 1
Sun. Jun 12 – Misericordiae Vultus – Part 2
Sun. Sept 11 – Mercy: God's Mercy
Sun. Oct 02 – Mercy in the Life of St. Therese
Each session starts at 6.00 pm.

*Admission is free –
Coffee is served – All are welcome*

Catholic Education Week ...

We invite all our parishioners to join in celebrating **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2016**, which runs from **May 1 to 6.** For more than 160 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. This year's theme for this special week is: **Opening Doors of Mercy.** For more related information visit online this site: www.goodnewsforall.ca. Let us pray for all educators and students, giving thanks to God for those who with faithful fidelity spread the Good News.



Opening Doors of Mercy

Invitation from the Office of Vocations

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a **ORDINATION PRAYER VIGIL.**

Let's pray together for an increase in vocations especially to priesthood, the diaconate, the consecrated life and healthy marriages.

Event will be held at **St. Michael's Cathedral, 65 Bond St., Toronto - on Friday, April 29 from 6pm until midnight.**

Regional Prayer Vigils are also being held at these parishes:

St. Patrick's Parish, **Markham;**

St. John the Evangelist, **Whitby** and

St. Noel Chabanel Church, **Wasaga Beach.**

Times may vary, contact us at 416-968-0997

or vocations@archtoronto.org for more details.



ShareLife Campaign 2016

ShareLife Collection – 3rd Offering the weekend of ... May 28/29

Visit www.sharelife.org, for more information.

God reward your generous heart!

Common sense is a flower that doesn't grow in everyone's garden.