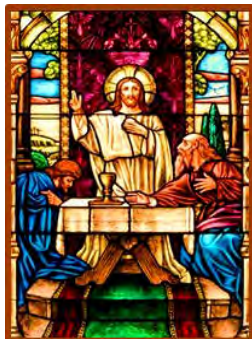




### 3rd Sunday of Easter – A



We meet Jesus anonymously in the persons and events of our lives, recognizing him in word and sacrament. Luke fashions the account of the journey to Emmaus on the pattern of Christian Eucharist. The two disciples are still scandalized by Jesus' death when their companion explains the scriptures to them. But only when he "breaks bread" (the term for the Eucharist) do they fully understand his word and recognize the

Lord. As in other resurrection appearances, the Risen One has to reveal himself before faith becomes possible; neither the empty tomb nor our own efforts can initiate belief. Christ's presence in word and sacrament engenders faith. Peter's homily, in Acts, proclaims the basis of our faith, Christ's resurrection. It applies to Jesus that Easter morning the psalm verses which we repeat in hope. Peter's letter reminds us that we must take our faith seriously as long as we are exiled from our heavenly home. Christ reveals himself even now. May we recognize him in our midst, and listen.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter - April 30, 2017

Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Chris Lemieux** at 416-968-0997 or at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call **Fr. Victor** on 416-757-2806 or at [olfatima@rogers.com](mailto:olfatima@rogers.com) for more information.



### First Holy Communion meetings ...



Applicants attend the Sunday 10:30 am Mass and **Children's Liturgy** gatherings on the following Sundays: **Apr 30** [today] and **May 28**. Candidates in public schools have a class at 9:30 am in the church hall on these same Sundays. **Thanks.**

### Confirmation classes are on ...

Up-coming meeting: today, **Apr 29** [Retreat] in the hall at 10:00 am. Weekly participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church, is mandatory. On **May 27** we have a final get-together in the hall. Certificates will be given. **Thanks.**



### ShareLife Campaign 2017

A reminder that the **next collection** in this year's **ShareLife Campaign** will be next weekend, that is, **May 06/07**, but any donations toward this campaign are welcome and acknowledged at any time of the year.



Visit [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org) for more information

On Sunday, May 14 is ...



# MOTHER'S DAY

Remember all mothers in our prayers

		<b>May 01 – 07 2017</b>
Mon 01	8:00 am	<b>Ancy Creado [D]</b>
Tues 02	8:00 am	<b>S. Alcantara+P. Ejercito [D]</b>
Wed 03	7:00 pm	<b>Raphael Alphonso [I]- Birthday</b>
Thur 04 <b>Novena 1</b>	8:00 am	<b>Cecilia Fernandes [I]- Birthday</b>
	6:15 pm	<b>Rosary, Devotions &amp; Mass</b>
Fri 05 <i>First Friday</i> <b>Novena 2</b>	8:00 am	<b>Fr. Emmanuel &amp; Salvatore [D]</b>
	12:30 pm	<b>Holy Souls</b>
	6:15 pm	<b>Rosary, Devotions &amp; Mass</b>
Sat 06 <i>First Communion Mass</i> <i>First Saturday</i> <b>Novena 3</b>	9:00 am	<b>Priscilla Pinto [D]</b>
	1:30 pm	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	4:30 pm	<b>Novena Intentions</b>
	5:45 pm	<b>Devotions + Benediction [No Mass]</b>
Sun 07 <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Good Shepherd Sunday</i> <b>Novena 4</b>	9:00 am	<b>Madra Michael [D]</b>
	10:30 am	<b>Flor Vendiola [D]</b>
	12:15 pm	<b>Novena Intentions</b>
	1:45 pm	<b>Devotions + Benediction [No Mass]</b>



**Deacon Philip Allard** is visiting our parish and will speak about **CHALICE** – a Canadian Catholic sponsorship program. He will be the homilist in all the weekend Masses and will explain how parishioners can help a destitute child at one of 56 mission sites in 15 developing countries.

The **Chalice Appeal** and parish mission is this weekend **April 29/30** in all of the weekend Masses.

### Thank you ... 246<sup>th</sup> Toronto Scout Group

Once again, on behalf of our parish community, we extend congratulations to the **246<sup>th</sup> Toronto Scout Group** as they mark their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Our parish community is proud to be associated with this group. We thank the group who generously presented the parish with a celebratory letter and **Scroll of Recognition** and a very generous donation towards the parish's **Centenary Memorial Fund**. With gratitude and appreciation we reciprocate this good gesture and promise the **246<sup>th</sup> Toronto Scout Group** on-going support as we wish them more years of successful scouting.



### 60 years of service to the community & scouting

### March For Life Thursday May 11, 2017



The **20<sup>th</sup> annual National March for Life** will be held in our Nation's Capital on **May 11, 2017**. The rally begins on Parliament Hill at 12.30 noon.

The theme: **We Stand on Guard for Thee** 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 visit: [marchforlife.ca](http://marchforlife.ca) or call: 1-800-730-5358 or 613-729-0379



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter – Sun. Apr 30**

The **Children's Liturgy** and **First Communion class** resume today at the regular time. The **LORD'S FLOCK** have a formal prayer meetings at 2:00 pm in the hall. This weekend we have the **CHALICE APPEAL** – a Canadian Catholic sponsorship program to help destitute children.

**Baptism Preparation Mtg. – Mon. May 01**

There is a preparation meeting for parents and godparents who have registered to have their children baptized this Saturday. The meeting, in the church, starts at 7:00 pm.

**Fatima Devotions – Wed. May 03**

The regular Fatima Devotions start at 6:30 pm as usual. Evening Mass at 7:00 pm follows. *Prayers and Mass include all the prayer intentions requested in the envelopes reserved at the shrine.* At 7:30 pm in the hall we have a *final get-together* before our **Centenary Marian Pilgrimage**.

**Fatima Feast Novena – Thurs. May 04 – Fri. May 12**

Daily morning Mass is at 8:00 am as usual followed by the recitation of the Rosary. Evening Novena devotions start at 6:15 pm and include: Rosary, Novena Prayers & Holy Mass. *Devotions on Saturday and Sunday follow a different pattern and the celebration of Mass is not included.*

**First Friday & Fatima Novena Devotions – Fri. May 05**

Devotions start at 8:00 am and include Mass and adoration, DM chaplet and Benediction. At 12:30 pm holy Mass concludes these devotions. Evening Novena devotions start at 6:15 pm and include: Rosary, Novena Prayers & Holy Mass.

**Weekend activities – Sat. May 06**

Morning Mass is at 9:00 am. There is a Baptism Celebration at 10:30 am in the church. The celebration of **First Holy Communion** start at 1:30 pm – families and friends are to be seated in church 15 minutes before. **Anticipated Sunday Mass** [the Novena Mass] is at the regular time of 4:30 pm followed at 5:45 pm by the Novena devotions [without Mass].

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Sun. May 07**

This Sunday is also known as GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY and declared as the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. There are **NO Children's Liturgy** meetings for the next 3 Sundays. A final meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 28. The **LORD'S FLOCK** has a formal prayer meeting at 2:00 pm in the hall.

**Celebrating OUR LADY OF FATIMA feast - 2017**

**Love offerings for flowers, candles and Prayer Intentions for the Novena Masses are appreciated.**

**Fatima devotees and parishioners are encouraged to join us for any of the novena days and the feast-day Masses, and other devotions to mark First Saturdays and each of the Six Apparitions. A details program of events and celebrations will be available soon.**



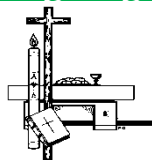
Visit : [www.fatimashrine.ca](http://www.fatimashrine.ca) for information

**R.C.I.A. – Mass of Welcome & Thanksgiving**

... a gentle REMINDER

to all newly baptized or received in Catholic communion: Archbishop **Cardinal Thomas Collins** will celebrate a Mass of welcome and thanksgiving at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, **May 7 at 2.00 pm.**

*Before the Mass begins, the Cardinal will offer a brief history of the cathedral and give an explanation of his vestments. All Neophytes are encouraged to attend with their families. They can also invite their friends or neighbours.*



**Lucia dos Santos - 8**

**The closure of the phase of the diocesan process of Beatification and Canonization of Sister Lúcia [iii]**

Each process of canonization is composed by a diocesan phase and another in Rome. We now have ended this session by collecting the theological study of numerous documents written by Sister Lúcia: published books, her diary that had the title *My Path*, the extensive documentation of letters and other unpublished documents. At the same time, several people have been heard, who have lived and whose testimony gave us fundamental data to trace the profile of the life and virtues of the Carmelite Religious who was, one day, a Seer of Fátima.

All of this material, along with the documents relating to her reputation of holiness, will now be in the Congregation for the Causes of Saints at the Vatican, where they will start the Roman phase of this process, in which they will study the life and virtues of Sister Lúcia.



If, at the conclusion of this study, Sister Lúcia's profile is recognized as one who lived in the configuration to Christ, the process will be presented to the Holy Father who will sign the decree of Heroic Virtues, proclaiming her venerable. If this happens, they will be waiting for the approval of a miracle for Beatification and another for the Canonization, thus ending this process.



On May 13<sup>th</sup> this year – while on a visit to Fatima – Pope Francis will inscribe, in the **Book of Saints**, the names of *Francisco and Jacinta Marto*, two of the three seers-shepherd children to whom the **Lady of the Rosary** appeared at the Cova da Iria ... in Fatima, Portugal 100 years ago! Saints Francisco & Jacinta, *pray for us.*



Fatima Apparitions Centenary Year 1917 – 2017

**SEEING WITH HEART ...**

**15<sup>th</sup> CANADIAN DAY OF REFLECTION** for Catholic parents of **lesbian daughters, gay sons and transgendered children**

**WHEN:** Saturday, **June 3** from **9am to 5pm**  
**WHERE:** **MANRESA RENEWAL CENTRE**  
2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON L1X 1V4.  
**PRICE:** \$40.00 (includes lunch)



**INFO: call JOHN MONTAGUE on 416-523-6449**