

#### UNITY IN DIVERSITY

"Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We Journey with St. Joseph"

Pastor: Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC Secretary/Bookkeeper: Nerie Bernal Custodian: Allan Cobham

**OFFICE HOURS:** 

**Monday to Friday:** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Music Ministry:** Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

**PARISH MINISTRIES** 

Finance Council Altar Servers Children's Liturgy Girl Guides **Collection Counters** 

Communion to the Sick If you feel called to Lectors & Eucharistic serve the church Ministries through any of these Social Action Committee ministries, please call Parish Council

the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 416-546-4044

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St. Joseph Catholic School:

**Principal:** Principal: David Comacchio

Phone: 416-393-5209 **MASS TIMES:** 

Monday No Mass Tuesday, & Thursday 9:00 am Wednesday & Friday 7:00 pm Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm 10:00 am Sunday

#### CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism, First Communion, **Confirmation and Marriage:** 

Please contact the office to begin the process of preparation.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 

Saturday before the vigil mass or on request anytime.

Ministry to and Anointing of the Sick:

Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, hospital or in a nursing home so that we can minister to them.

New members please register at the office.

Hall Rental: Please contact Margaret MacDonald

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#### **Living Our Way into Easter Joy**

I'm often struck by friends who note how much harder it can be to "feel" Easter than to experience Lent. Somehow the reflection on sin and suffering comes more easily to many than experiencing joy and

redemption. However, in this we are not alone: the disciples, too, have difficulty at first absorbing the fullness of Resurrection joy.

In many Resurrection scenes, we find Jesus offering reconciliation. In John's Gospel, Jesus goes to the disciples who have locked themselves into the upper room. The disciples are fearful (John 20:19). Later, Jesus speaks to Thomas and to Peter, who each have their own kinds of difficulties with the Resurrection: Thomas doubts and Peter is in need of knowing Jesus' love for him after his betrayals. Peter may have wondered: Why was I so afraid? Why did I go back on my promise to stand by Jesus? We, too, in our own lives may wonder: How did a perfectly good situation unravel into such difficulty? Often suffering, betrayals, and other evils defy our attempts to give them logic. No wonder, then, that Jesus' appearance to the disciples is not immediately met with a sense of "all is well."

Remarkably, Jesus is uninterested in talking about the past. Instead, he is focused on offering healing, peace, and love in the present, with an eye to the future. Jesus' response to all of this confusion is not to dwell on the past or to go into the reasons why his friends betrayed him or what could have been done differently. Instead, Jesus offers peace, reconciliation, and mission. These are good guides for us, too, for entering into the fullness of Easter. We can reflect on the love of God, who does not ask why but instead forgives, heals, invites, and loves. And then we can practice forgiveness, faith, and selfless love in our actions and pass those on.

Let us share and live the Easter joy. **HAPPY EASTER** 



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of the best gifts anyone can leave their loved ones in the event of their passing. It also ensures that charities and causes closest to their hearts will be sustained. By putting the parish in their will, parishioners can help the Church faithfully carry out the pastoral mission entrusted to her by our Lord, for generations to come. For more information, please call the Parish office of St. Joseph Church: 416 466 7815 or 416 518 0276

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#### The Week Ahead:

Apr 17: Easter Sunday

Apr 24: Divine Mercy Sunday

Apr 25: Memorial: St. Mark, Evangelist

Apr 28: Memorial: St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

St. Joseph, Pray For Us



#### **Dates for the First Holy Communicants:**

**Parents' meeting of First Holy Communicants:** on April 16, 2022 (Saturday) at 10:00 a.m. (in the Church)

First Reconciliation (First Confession):

on April 23, 2022 (Saturday): 10:00 am

**Celebration of the First Holy Communion (Mass)** 

April 30, 2022 (Saturday): 10:00 am



#### Sacrament of Confirmation:

Parents meeting for the Confirmandi:

on June 04, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (in the Church)

**Session for Confirmandi:** 

on June 04, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

**Celebration of the Mass of Confirmation:** 

on June 11, 2022 (Saturday): 10:00 am



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April 2022: Health Care Workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities

#### Walking with Jesus Friday, May 6 - 7 p.m. to Sunday, May 8 - 1 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering EASTERN REGION A silent Ignatian weekend retreat in the Jesuit tradition for men. As the apostles and disciples walked with Jesus, heard Him preach, saw what He did in helping people and what He was willing to do for humanity – for you and me – this retreat will be looking at and walking with Jesus in prayer. For it is in prayerful silence that we can be quiet enough to hear what is being spoken to us in the Scriptures. This would be an opportunity to deepen a relationship with Jesus. Facilitated by Fr. Winston Rye, SJ. A suggested offering of \$235 per person. Includes two nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction. REGISTER: www.manresa-canada.ca CONTACT: registration@manresa.ca PHONE: 905-839-2864

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

#### Re: Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Formation Course, Part A

From: Anna Boyagoda, Coordinator, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd A new Level I CGS formation course beginning this June.

The first part of this 90- hour course will cover the foundations of an internationally recognized, Montessori-based approach to the religious education of children known as the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS). Our CGS Level I formation course endeavours to immerse you in the atrium experience; the majority of your time is spent participating in presentations as the children would and engaging in conversations about the biblical and liturgical themes that undergird our approach.

**Schedule:** Friday, June 24, 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 25, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Monday, July 4 – Friday, July 8, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Part B will follow a similar schedule the following year. Location: St. Francis of Xavier Parish, 5650 Mavis Rd., Mississauga ON L5V 2X5



#### **WEEKEND COLLECTION:**

April 09-10, 2022

**Total Amount: \$1,413.00** 

Kindly contribute through Pre Authorize Giving. Forms are available in the foyer.

Thank you for your constant support and generous contribution. A special thanks to our volunteers for your dedication during these unprecedented times.

## † MASS INTENTIONS

#### Palm Sunday, April 17

10:00 am **Health & Wellbeing of Grace McCallum** 

Reg. Andrea Cornista

#### Monday, April 18

No mass

#### Tuesday, April 19

9:00 am † Brian Hamer

Req. Dorothy Hamer

#### Wednesday April 20

7:00 pm **Thanksgiving Intention** 

Req. Virgie Sison

#### Thursday, April 21

9:00 am † Antonio Rabadon

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

#### Friday, April 22

7:00 pm For the Intention of St. Joseph

**Parish Community** 

#### Saturday, April 23

5:00 pm For the Intentions of St.

**Joseph Parish Community** 



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