

## FIRST EUCHARIST

“Invited to the Feast”

(Grade 2)

### FAMILY DAY

**Sunday, March 24, 1:00–3:30 pm**  
for children celebrating First Communion on  
**Apr 6-7-13-14**  
(one parent – one child)

### FAMILY DAY

**Sunday, April 14, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.**  
for children celebrating First Communion on  
**April 20-21-28**  
(one parent – one child)



### Our 2013

**SHARELIFE GOAL \$148,000**  
**750 DONORS**

**HELP US REACH OUR TARGET**

Together, we can respond to the challenge and reach our goals! All cheques should be made payable to: ShareLife - St. John the Evangelist Church

You may submit post-dated cheques for your donation, however, these cheques must be dated **no later than July 31, 2013**, as funds are forwarded directly to ShareLife on that date and the Parish Campaign is closed.



**March 3, 2013**

#### **Working wonders for families...**

Young John had spent far too many years of his young life in terror about what would happen to his mom, himself and his siblings, because of the violence in his home. At 12 years of age, he felt alone and he felt responsible. It was John who called 911, which led to his mom leaving the abusive situation, and it was that incident that got his family involved with our Safer Families Program for help. Through our domestic violence programming John learned, that he was not the only kid who had this happening in his home... and most importantly, he learned that it was not his fault. He was able to get his feelings out, and learn new ways of coping... different from what he had witnessed in his home, so that he could have a chance at a different kind of life than that to which he had been exposed to in his first 12 years. **Our network of Catholic Family Services offices collectively**

reach over 125,000 clients, serving them in more than 25 languages.

**First ShareLife Sunday**  
**– March 17, 2013**

Together, we can work wonders!



#### Masses For The Week

Sat. Mar 2 - 5:00pm  
**+Maurizio Misasi**  
req. by Anna & Mario Misasi

Tues. Mar 5 – 8:20am  
**+Catherine Skeffington**  
req. by Alice Deehan

Wed. Mar 6 - 7pm  
**+Gerard Choquette**  
req. by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thur. Mar 7 – 8:20am  
**+Harold Park**  
req. by The Bergin Family

Fri. Mar. 8 – 7:00pm  
**+Lado Cot**  
req. by His Daughter

Sat Mar. 9 - 5:00pm  
**+Andy Batinic**  
req. by Kaya Batinic



#### YEAR OF FAITH

\* Fr. Robert Barron's 10 part DVD Catechetical Series,

#### Catholicism

**Thursday March 7, 2013 7:30 – 9:00p.m.** in the Parish Centre

**Topic:** A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints

**\*\*Lenten Reconciliation Service**  
**– Sunday March 17, 2013 at 7pm**

- Movie (Holy Week)  
Jesus of Nazareth, from the Passion to the Resurrection  
Tuesday, March 27, 2013 7pm to 9pm

- Attention Young Adults  
ages 18-39  
Palm Sunday Celebration at St. Michael's Cathedral  
Saturday March 23

***Thank you** to all the parishioners who supported the Pancake Breakfast held on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013.*

***A very special thank you to W.C. Town Funeral Chapel for their kind donation which covered all of the costs that we incurred.***

*Social Committee – Pastoral Council*

#### OOPS!

**Sorry for the error in last weekend's bulletin. There is no Social during Lent. The next Social Sunday is Sunday April 7th**

#### SOCIAL SUNDAY

**Sunday March 3, 2013**  
**Please join us for refreshments after 9am or 11am Mass.**

#### Looking Ahead

**Mon Mar 4**  
7:30pm SVDP Meeting, PC main

**Tue Mar 5**  
930am Mass at St. Marguerite school  
2:30 – 8:30pm Directory Photos, PC 1,2

**Wed. Mar 6**  
1pm Prayer Group, PC main  
10am-4pm Directory Photos, PC 1,2  
6:00 – 6:50pm PHCP, Gr 1-8, PC all

**Thu Mar 7**  
2:30 – 8:30pm Directory Photos, PC 1,2  
7:30pm Catholicism, Topic: A Vast Company of Witnesses, The Communion of Saints, PC main

**Fri Mar 8**  
10am Mass at Fairview Lodge

2:30 – 8:30pm Directory Photos, PC 1,2

**Sat Mar 9**

9:30am – 3pm Directory Photos, PC 1,2



**St Patrick's Pub Night**

133 Brock St N, Whitby

Sat. March 16, 2013

Doors Open 7PM,

Music & Dancing 8PM

Live entertainment by

The Usual Suspects

Cash Bar – Late Snack

Tickets \$20.00 per person

For tickets & Information

Contact

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**New Beginnings**

For those suffering the loss of a loved one through death, separation, or divorce

**Guest Speaker: Rev. John Yake**, Lecturer at St. Augustine's Seminary

Topic: Can the Faith Development Theory of Dr. James W. Fowler successfully address the pain of loss?

**Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 7pm to 9pm**

At the **Archdiocese of Toronto Pastoral Centre 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Meeting Room**

Pre-registration is NOT necessary

For questions: Deacon James Shaughnessy, email [jshaughn@cfstoronto.com](mailto:jshaughn@cfstoronto.com)

**Celebrate Your Marriage with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!**

Married couples: You deserve a weekend to cherish being together; to rediscover each other and focus on ways to make your relationship even better. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend offers this opportunity. Consider giving each other or another couple that you know the gift of a weekend away from daily pressures; time to be with each other and with God on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. See [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)

**Date: April 19-21, 2013**

**ST. GERTRUDE'S PARISH  
690 King Street East, Oshawa, ON  
LENTEN MISSION**

As we enter into the season of Lent, the Lord calls us into this experience of conversion, where we encounter Jesus, the beloved Son of the Father.

Join with us at St. Gertrude's as Fr. Timothy Scott leads us in three evenings of reflection at our parish mission.

**Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

The Word of God, a word of Love

**Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

The Eucharist, the sacrament of Love

**Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mary Magdalene, Love resurrected

**Each evening begins with Mass at 7:30PM**



**CWL CONTEST WINNER  
2013**

The CWL Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest for grades 7 & 8 students, was held on Sunday, February 24 in the Parish Centre. The top 3 participants from each of the schools' public speaking contests competed - St. John the Evangelist: Victoria Birstonas, James McCarron, Cameron Neill; St. Luke The Evangelist: Shoshanna Bennett-Dwara, Adrian Dychiao; and St. Marguerite d'Youville: Tara Costello, Cameron Martin, Racquel Granato. The **2013 winner** of the CWL Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest was Shoshanna Bennett-Dwara.

The CWL would like to offer their congratulations to the participants. We would also like to thank the parents and schools for their support. And a *special* thank you to all of the volunteers who helped and the judges and timekeeper: Bryan Childerhouse, Rose Tyms, Dante Labriola and Sharon Weslake.

**Holy Week Celebrations**

Sat/Sun Mar 23/24

**Palm Sunday Masses 5pm, 9am, 11am**



Tues March 26  
Mass 8:20am

Wed. March 27  
Mass 7:00pm



Thurs. March 28  
**Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm**

Fri. March 29  
**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm Stations of the Cross 7:00pm**



Sat. March 30  
**Easter Vigil, 8:15pm**



Sun March 31  
**Resurrection of the Lord 9am and 11am**

**THE GIFT OF HOSPITALITY  
WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

Once again we are preparing to host the members of the N.E.T. Ministries Team who will be facilitating the Confirmation Retreat for our Gr. 8 students in May 2013.

NET Ministries is a Catholic evangelistic outreach program located in the Archdiocese of Ottawa. The team is comprised of young adults of vibrant faith who have given at least a year of their lives, some more, to travel across Canada to share their faith with Catholic youth. Using a retreat format, the team members blend a fun, high-energy experience, with a straightforward and personal presentation of the Gospel message and how Jesus Christ has affected their lives. They use large group presentations, small group discussions, music, games, skits, prayer, personal testimonies, and the Sacraments.

We are looking for homes where these young people can stay, in groups of two women or two men, on Sun. May 12 and Mon. May 13, 2013. They will arrive Sunday afternoon and leave on Tuesday morning. We will finalize the arrangements in early May. The teams bring their own sleeping bags and pillows. As a host family you would be agreeing to provide breakfast and dinner, and *possibly* transportation to the Parish Centre for 8:00 a.m. on the mornings of May 13 and 14, although they normally provide their own transportation.

My family would like to host two of the N.E.T. team members.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Pets: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ female

\_\_\_\_\_ male

Please place your application to the Parish Office or place it in the Collection basket. Thank you.

Fr. Damian Ali  
Pastor

Linda Pilon  
Pastoral Assistant