

## SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS

2014 – 2015

FIRST EUCHARIST “Invited to the Feast” (Grade 2)	CONFIRMATION “Anointed for Mission” (Grade 8)
<u>Parents' Meeting</u> <b>Saturday, February 21</b> <b>9:30 – 10:00 am (coffee/tea) in the Parish Centre</b> <b>10:00 – 11:30 am (meeting) in the Church (parents only)</b>	<u>Sessions I – IV</u> <b>Jan 10, 17, 31 &amp; Feb 7</b> <b>in the Parish Centre</b> <b>9:00 am – 10:30 am or</b> <b>11:00 am – 12:30 pm (as scheduled)</b>



SECOND SUNDAY OF  
**ADVENT**

**This week's theme is  
Preparation and Peace**

### Suggested Daily Readings

Leader: The Lord is our faith and our life.  
All: May the Lord's peace be with us all.  
Leader: And may his love shine in our hearts.

All: Our hope is in the coming of the Lord.  
Two purple candles are lit. During the week, relight whenever the family gathers together.

Leader: Let us pray that our faith may be strengthened for the coming of the Lord.  
All: Amen

### Scripture

Sunday	Isaiah 11: 20
Monday	Psalms 85: 8, 10-11
Tuesday	Mark 1: 1-3
Wednesday	Mark 1: 4, 7-8
Thursday	2 Peter 3:10, 14
Friday	Isaiah 60: 4-6
Saturday	Romans 15: 4-5



### Masses For The Week

Sat. Dec 6 – 5pm

**+Aimé Gosselin**

*req. by Edward & Christine Lescisin  
& Family*

Mon Dec 8 – 8:20am

**+Wyn Burgess**

*req. by The Burgess Family*

Tues. Dec 9 – 8:20am

**+Rosina & Antonio Bozzarello**

*req. by Natale & Anna Ciardullo*

Wed. Dec 10 - 7:00pm

**+Attilio & Rosa Ridino Cannella**

*req. by The Cannella Family*

Thur. Dec 11 – 8:20am

**+John Forget**

*req. by Jim & Mary McTeague*

Fri. Dec 12 – 8:20am

**+Maurizio Misasi**

*req. by Anna & Mario Misasi*

Sat. Dec 13 – 5:00pm

**+Jim Mackey**

*req. by Pat O'Connor*



**SOCIAL SUNDAY IS  
DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> IN THE  
PARISH CENTRE, Hosted by  
Knights of Columbus. Join us after  
the 9am or 11am Mass for  
Refreshments.**

### Marriage Preparation Courses

#### **Holy Family Parish**

91 Ribblesdale Drive, Whitby  
February 20, 2015 7pm to 9pm  
February 21, 2015 9am – 4:30pm  
February 22, 2015 9am – 6pm  
Please contact Holy Family Parish  
(905) 665-6470.

#### **St. Gertrude's Parish 690 King St E., Oshawa**

A six week course, beginning January  
17<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Saturday evenings 7-9pm  
Cost: \$150.00 To register please call  
905-433-0828



#### St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Can Banks

Please return the can bank on  
December 6/7. A member of St.  
Vincent de Paul will be collecting them  
after Mass in the foyer. THANK YOU!

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Mark McGowan will present:  
“Two men named Francis:  
A Saint and a Pope  
Thursday January 29, 2015 at  
7pm



### **Archdiocese of Toronto DAY OF CONFESSIONS Wed., December 10, 2014**

At all Parishes in the  
Archdiocese

For information about Confessions,  
please refer to

[www.archtoronto.org/confession](http://www.archtoronto.org/confession)

Father Damian will be available in the  
confessional throughout the day to

hear **Confessions.**

**8am to noon**

**1pm to 4pm**

**6pm to 6:45pm**

### **Parish Evening of Reconciliation Sunday December 14, 2014**

at 7pm

Several Priests available



Members of Council  
4895 will be  
Distributing

### **“Keep Christ In Christmas”**

car magnets after all of the masses on  
December 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Magnets can be purchased for  
\$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00



### Christmas Carols

Join us on  
December 20th  
after the 5pm Mass at

the front entrance of the church for  
the seventh annual Christmas  
Carol gathering hosted by your  
Social Committee of Pastoral  
Council. Song sheets provided.  
**COOKIES and HOT CHOCOLATE**  
served. Dress Warm!

**Right to Life Christmas Cards**

Right To Life Christmas Cards & Ornaments are here! Promote the Sanctity of Life from conception to natural death. Be Pro-life, Pro-Christmas and Pro Active by sending and giving these positive expressions of faith, hope and charity. New 2014 card designs and a variety of packages of 10 cards plus 5 ornament selections are value priced at \$8.00 each Cards and ornaments will be available in the foyer on Saturday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> and in the Parish Centre Sunday Dec 7<sup>th</sup> during Social Sunday. Contact Mary Louise LaBarre (905) 718-6367 or [mlabarre@sympatico.ca](mailto:mlabarre@sympatico.ca)

**Catholic Family Services  
Heart to Heart Gala**

Our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart to Heart Gala will take place on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility. Join us for an elegant evening including a 3-course dinner with wine, dance, silent/live auction, draws. Tickets are just \$100 each and would make a lovely Christmas gift! For information and to purchase your tickets, please contact Tania McClean at (905) 725-3513 ex 121 or by email [t.mcclean@cfsdurham.com](mailto:t.mcclean@cfsdurham.com)

**St. John the Evangelist Prayer Group**

Please come and join us at St. John the Evangelist Prayer Group for a talk by Dr. Scott Hahn on CD. The topic will be Prepare the Way of the Lord. This is a great way to prepare our hearts for Christmas and get to meet and socialize with each other. See you there!

**Durham District School Board  
French Immersion Registration**

We welcome all students into our French Programs at schools across the region. We invite you to enrol your child through our online registration process at [www.dcdsb.ca](http://www.dcdsb.ca) from December 10, 2014 to January 16, 2015. To find your French Immersion School, visit our website. Students must be entering Grade 1 in September 2015 to register. To learn more, attend a Parent Information Session: December 3, 2014 at 7pm

St. Mark the Evangelist  
95 Waller St. Whitby, ON

**THANK YOU!**

*We, the spiritual committee of the pastoral council would like to share our deep gratitude with the parish community for your support of the recent Christmas concert which hosted the Junior Choir of St. Michael's Choir School and the St. John the Evangelist Choir, along with the guest soloists and musicians. Besides generating resources for the church renovation fund, an evening of wonderful fellowship and community spirit was experienced by all. With blessings,  
Iris McNulty, Deidre Newman and Zach Taylor*

**The Catholic Womens' League**

cordially invites all parishioners to a Mass for Life on December 12 which is the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Under this title the Mother of Christ is the patroness of the Americas. The evening will begin with a recitation of the rosary at 6:30. There will be a procession led by our members and a laying of flowers around the icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be at 7:00. Marian hymns will form a part of the liturgy. Following Mass, there will be a presentation at the parish centre on the rich and meaningful symbols which form a part of the icon. There will also be an opportunity for fellowship and treats. Please come and join us. Be a witness to the importance that we place on the family and all human life by attending the events on this evening.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND**

*Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church for donations to offset the cost of decorating at Christmas. We appreciate your support and assistance at this time of year!*

**2015 Envelopes** are being distributed this weekend in the parish centre during Social Sunday. After this time, they will be available in the parish office for pickup. The envelopes will not be distributed from the foyer. Each family will be assigned an envelope box in 2015.

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

Wed. Dec. 24	Vigil of Christmas 5:00 pm <b>Incense</b> 8:00 pm 11:00 pm <b>Incense</b>
Thu. Dec. 25	Nativity of the Lord 9:00 am 11:00 am *3pm – Spanish Mass
Fri. Dec. 26	Feast of St. Stephen, first Martyr 9:00 am
Sat. Dec. 27	Feast of St. John (Patron Saint) 9:00 am, followed by Refreshments
Sat/Sun Dec. 28	Feast of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 5 pm, 9 am 11 am
Wed. Dec 31	7 <sup>th</sup> Day Octave of Christmas 5:00 pm
Wed. Jan. 1	Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God 9:00 am 11:00 am <b>Incense</b>

**Please note** the Parish Office is closed at noon Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> 9am.

**Looking Ahead**

**Sun Dec 7 SOCIAL SUNDAY**, hosted by Knights of Columbus  
**Mon Dec 8**  
8:20am Mass - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Tue Dec 9**  
7pm – Confirmation Catechist's Meeting, St Jos Rm  
**Wed Dec 10**  
Archdiocese Day of Confession  
9:30am Mass at St. Marguerite school  
1pm Prayer Group  
6:15-7:15pm PHCP & Advent Celebration, PC all, St. Jos/Alb Rms  
**Thu Dec 11**  
7pm RCIA, PC#1  
**Fri Dec 12**  
7pm Mass for Life – Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, followed by a reception PC main  
**Sat Dec 13**  
2-3pm Cantor's Rehearsal, PC main  
3-4:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal, PC main  
**Sun Dec 14**  
12:45 – 2:15pm Nativity Play Rehearsal, PC main  
7pm Evening of Reconciliation, Several Priests available