

SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS

2014 – 2015

FIRST RECONCILIATION

“Celebrating God’s Love”
(Grade 2)

CHILDREN’S RETREAT DAY

in the Parish Centre (children only)
Saturday, November 22
10:00 am – 12:00 pm (A-L) 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (M-Z)

CONFIRMATION

“Anointed for Mission”
(Grade 8)

RITE OF ENROLMENT

at the Church (parents & children)
Saturday, November 22 at 5:00 pm or
Sunday, November 23 at 9:00 am or 11 am

It is mandatory that all children who do not attend Catholic school participate in the Parish Home Catechism Program for TWO years prior to receiving each sacrament.

*You are invited to a musical evening of
Christmas Joy
on Saturday, November 29 at
7:00pm*

St. John the Evangelist Church

*Featuring the Junior Choir,
St. Michael’s Choir School
and St. John the Evangelist Church Choir.*

*Proceeds will be in support of
St. John the Evangelist Renovation Fund.*

Post concert reception of Christmas treats and cider will take place in the parish centre.

Tickets: Suggested Donation (Prior to Concert Night)

*Adult \$15 Child 12 and under \$5
Tickets will be available after mass in the foyer Nov 15/16, 22/23 or by contacting the Parish Office (905) 668-3676. To reserve tickets or to obtain further information please contact the spiritual committee of the pastoral council;*

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Christmas Can Banks
Thank you to all who took a Christmas Can Bank to support the needy in our community for Christmas. In order to make use of the collection, please return your can banks on December 6/7. A member of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting them after Mass in the foyer.



The Shepherds' Trust Collection **November 15, 16, 2014**

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help raise awareness and funds so that the elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. The fund supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith for many years. By supporting the Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years. For more information about The Shepherds' Trust please refer to www.shepherdstrust.org



Make A Joyful Noise To the Lord!

St. John the Evangelist Parish Children’s Christmas Choir 2014

Calling all young singers, age 9 and up! You are invited to share your talents as Music Ministers, leading the people in singing praise to God for Christmas Eve 5p.m. Family mass.

WHERE? Rehearsals will all be held at St John the Evangelist Parish Centre.

WHEN? 2:00- 4:30 pm*
Saturdays DEC. 6, DEC. 13,
And 2:30-4:30 pm. Sat DEC 20

CANTORS REHEARSALS:
Saturday Dec 13 at 2:00 pm, 1 more rehearsal to be determined if needed.)

**Music Ministry at Mass
December 24th
4:30 to 6:30 pm**

Attendance at **ALL** rehearsals is necessary for all choir members, so that we learn the music well, build a solid team effort in harmony, and feel confident and ready to lead song together. Pre-registration is appreciated. Youth leaders welcome!

**Please call Eileen McGowan at
905 668-0959 or email
eipmccgowan1@rogers.com**

Friars’ Student Writing Award
Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated

January 18-25, 2015. The theme for this coming year is "Jesus said to her: 'Give me a drink'". (John 4:7). Students should read the Scripture passage John 4:1-42 and answer the following question in the essay:

If Jesus was able to reach out beyond his own Jewish community, and to a woman with a questionable reputation, what does that tell Catholics about the value of Christian Unity?

First prize is an iPad Air (16gb), second prize is a Kobo Aura H2O, and third to sixth prizes is a one-year subscription to the Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be edited and published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is January 9, 2015. Email your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or fax it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number, and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). For further information call 1-855-441-4077.



The Book of Life

The month of November is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls, having at its beginning the two great feasts - All Saints and All Souls. To commemorate your faithful departed family and friends, you are invited to submit a page for the "Book of Life."

This page should be 8 1/2" by 11" and fit into a standard 3-ring binder.

On it you may type or print the names of whomever you would like to have remembered in a special way at all our parish Masses during November. You may decorate your "Family Page" in whatever way you wish as long as it fits the above requirements. This "Book of Life" will be left in the sanctuary during November to remind us to pray, at church and at home for our loved ones.

Marriage Preparation Course

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.



Children's Nativity Play

This year children of the parish will perform a brief nativity play before the children's mass at 5pm on Christmas Eve. We are looking for performers between the ages of 4 and 9. There will be a commitment of several rehearsals. Parents whose children would like to participate can call Jeff or Julia at 905 430 3093.

Parish Home Catechism STILL SEEKING CATECHISTS

2 or 3 assistants are needed for grade 3 and grade 8 to support our main catechists. Please call Cathy at (905) 668-0724.



Masses For The Week

Sat. Nov 15 – 5:00pm
+Paolina Princiotta
req. by Filippo Princiotta
Tues. Nov 18 – 8:20am
+Filomena & Gianbattista Maggio
req. by Lucy Rinaldi
Wed. Nov 19 - 7:00pm
+Hermina Van de Ven
req. by Her Family
Thur. Nov 20 – 8:20am
+Veisha Lobos
req. by Chris & Debby Klink
Fri. Nov 21 – 8:20am
+Deceased Members of the Detta Colli & Rossi Families
req. by Maria & Eddo Detta Colli
Sat. Nov 22 – 5:00pm
+Carmelo & Rosa Cusma
req. by Tina Saturno

youth from the Durham region. Many of these young people need warm clothing for the winter. If you have gently used clothing such as coats, shoes, boots, toques, and mittens, please drop them in the box in the church lobby set aside for The Refuge on the weekends of November 22/23 and November 29/30. Thank you for your generosity.

Looking Ahead this Week

Sat/Sun Nov 15/16

Fr. Philip Chircop preaches at all masses

Mon Nov 17 to Wed Nov 19 - 7pm

Mission, in the church, with a reception to follow on Wed in the parish centre.

Wed Nov 19

1pm Prayer Group, PC main

Thu Nov 20

7pm RCIA, PC#1

7:30pm CWL, General Meeting, PC main

Sat Nov 22

10am – 3pm 1st Reconciliation
Children's Retreat, in church and PC

5pm Rite of Confirmation Rite of Enrolment

Sun Nov 23

9am & 11am Confirmation Rite of Enrolment

Further Ahead

Tues Nov 25

7pm 1st Reconciliation Celebration (A-L)

Sat Nov 29

7pm Christmas Concert, in the Church with St. Michael's School Junior Choir, and St. John's Choir

CLOTHING DRIVE -

Students from All Saints Secondary School are conducting a clothing drive for The Refuge, in Oshawa. The Refuge is a center for homeless