

**APPRECIATION NIGHT**

In appreciation of your  
dedication to parish ministry  
at  
St. John the Evangelist  
Church

You are cordially invited to  
attend our Annual  
Appreciation Night  
Wednesday, May 28, 2014  
7:30pm to 9:30pm  
In the Parish Centre

R.S.V.P

Please email or phone the  
parish office to confirm  
your attendance at  
[sje.whitby@sympatico.ca](mailto:sje.whitby@sympatico.ca) or  
(905) 668-3676 no later  
than Friday May 23, 2014.  
We look forward to seeing  
you here.

Rev. Damian Ali, Pastor

**Nominations for Pastoral Council**

Each year you are invited to nominate a member of the parish to sit on the Pastoral Council for a two-year term. Nomination forms are available at the back of the Church during May. The last day for receiving nominations is Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. Please place the completed forms in the Sunday collection baskets, or give it to Fr. Damian, or drop it off at the Parish Office. Each nominee is asked to submit a photograph of themselves to assist with the election process, if there is one, no later than Wed. May 28<sup>th</sup>. Nominees will be announced May 31/June 1. The election will take place on Saturday/Sunday June 7/8<sup>th</sup> if an election is required.

**Social Sunday in May**

Since there was a scheduling conflict on the first Sunday in May, there will be no Social Sunday this month. Our last Social Sunday prior to the summer season is Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> hosted by

the Funeral Altar Svrs & St Vincent's Kitchen Ministries.

**St. John the Evangelist Prayer Group**

Come and join us for a **Life in the Spirit** Seminar hosted by Fr. Peter Coughlin, on DVD. The seminar is a seven-week course which will begin on Wednesday May 7<sup>th</sup> and ends the week after Pentecost on Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Each session will consist of a 20 to 30 minute talk with a time for sharing in small groups. Registration is free and will begin May 7<sup>th</sup>. The seminar will be held in the Parish Centre every Wednesday from 1pm to 2:30pm with refreshments afterward. Come and learn what it means to live in the power of the Holy Spirit. It will change your life. If you require more information call Klara (905) 668-9579.

**ShareLife**

Working wonders in our livelihoods...

"ShareLife supports a large family of Catholic agencies that truly do feed, clothe and shelter people, care for the sick and frail, and befriend the isolated and lonely. Reflecting Catholic charity, they protect the vulnerable, guide and counsel the troubled, visit people in prison and give a voice to the voiceless.

Regardless of their religious beliefs or personal background, ShareLife agencies meet people where they are, treating them with the dignity and respect we all deserve."

—Thomas Cardinal Collins,  
Archbishop of Toronto

**Today is ShareLife Sunday  
Please give generously.**

**THE LIVING ROSARY**

May is the month of MARY. St. John's Parish is hosting the Living Rosary on **Thursday**, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. (Thursday after Mother's Day.) So please join us in the Parish Centre. All are welcome: beginners, men, women and especially children gr.2+. All prayers and pictures provided through slideshow. Participants are welcome to say the Rosary in their mother tongue or native language! Come experience the Rosary like never before! Colourful ropes, colourful lights, music, coffee/tea and cake! For further details please call Martha at

stew.hamilton@sympatico.ca or call 905-430-2444.

**VENDOR FAIR**

Saturday May 24, 2014, Parish Centre  
The Catholic Women's League, along with the Knights of Columbus, are hosting a Vendor Fair on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> and are looking for our local businesses/vendors to participate. If you are interested, please contact Lynne Childerhouse at [lchilderhouse@hotmail.com](mailto:lchilderhouse@hotmail.com). The net proceeds will help support the youth of our parish to attend the Steubenville Conference in Toronto, July 4-6, 2014.

St. John the Evangelist Parish Seniors, Men and Women (55+), are invited to take part in a **DAY OF REFLECTION & SPIRITUAL RENEWAL** Manresa Centre, Pickering, Ontario **THURSDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2014** from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.  
**Registration** will be in the Church foyer May 10/11<sup>th</sup> after all Masses. There is a \$30 fee - includes lunch. For details, contact Theresa at (905) 668-0406

**Masses For The Week**

Sat. May 3 – 5:00pm  
**+David Guimond**  
req. by The Guimond Family  
Tues. May 6 – 8:20am  
**+Giuseppina Pellegrino Santoro**  
req. by Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Morra  
Wed. May 7 – 7:00pm  
**+Joan Eileen Morris**  
req. by Knights of Columbus #4895  
Thur. May 8 – 8:20am  
**+Anne Hendriks**  
req. by Lynn & Pat Catterall & Lloyd Dunn  
Fri. May 9 – 8:20am  
**+Elsie Mutch**  
req. by Lorraine & Michael Ruscitti  
Sat. May 10 – 5:00pm  
**+Maurizio Misasi**  
req. by Anna & Mario Misasi

**Looking Ahead**

**Sat/Sun May 3, 4**

5pm, 9am, 11am First Eucharist Celebrations

**Mon May 5**

7:30pm SVDP Mtg, PC main

**Wed May 7**

1pm Prayer Group, PC main  
7:30pm Theology of the Body, St. Jos Rm

**Thu May 8**

7:30pm RCIA, PC#1

**Fri May 9**

10am Mass at Fairview Lodge

**National March for life" 2014,  
Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa**

You are invited to join us walking along with thousands of Canadians on **Thursday, May 8 on Parliament Hill in Ottawa** for a peaceful and faith filled event with a clear message to our politicians, that eliminating human life in the womb is not the way to resolve problems. Abortions are not a step forward in women's health but step backwards for humanity and life should be protected under any circumstances. Become an agent of change by attending the March or by your prayerful commitment for this cause. For registration or to reserve a seat on a **bus near you**, please refer to the list below. **A fee is applicable.**

Holy Family Whitby: Patricia  
905 668-7292

**Society of Saint  
Vincent de Paul  
Helping Our Needy  
Neighbours**

The Vincentians of our SSVP Conference would like to thank our fellow parishioners for their continued support of our efforts in helping our needy neighbours.

**We appreciate all donations;** but at this time we have a special need for **COLD CEREAL and CANNED FRUIT**

**All Saints CSS  
Parent Engagement Night --  
Promoting Healthy Relationships:  
Understanding and Preventing Youth  
Relationship Violence**

**Wed. May 7th - 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**

3001 Country Lane Whitby  
Lead presenter will be Amy Obendorfer-Woods from the Canadian Red Cross. Amy will be joined by Keith Rew and Linda Cassins, Public Health Nurses, Durham Region Health Dept. and Claudette Stokes, Child and Youth Counsellor, Durham Catholic District School Board.

Please help us plan our numbers by registering at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com). For additional info. please refer to our All Saints CSS School webpage found at [www.dcdsb.ca](http://www.dcdsb.ca)

**The Archbishop Denis O'Connor  
school community is pleased to  
celebrate 50 Years in Catholic  
Education!**

**Join us as we share *Opening Mass*  
on *Sept. 19 at 1:30pm*. Challenge  
your old friends during our *Golf  
Tournament and Buffet Dinner* on  
*Sept. 20 at 1:00p*. Reconnect during  
our *Pub Night at Annandale* on  
*Sept. 20 at 7:00p*.**

**Bring your families and friends to  
our *Open House / DO'C-A-THON* on  
*October 4 at 1:00pm*. Join us to  
conclude our 50th celebrations at  
our *Closing Mass at St. John the  
Evangelist, Whitby on October 19  
at 2:00pm*.**

**If you would like to help, or learn  
more about the festivities, or  
purchase tickets, visit  
[www.doc50th.com](http://www.doc50th.com) today! Be sure  
to complete the DO'C Alumni  
Survey available on the website to  
sign-up for updates and  
announcements!**

**NEW BEGINNINGS**

Please join us on an inspirational talk on  
Marriage and Annulment  
Catholic Pastoral Centre, 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
1155 Yonge Street (at Shaftesbury  
Avenue, underground parking available)

**Tuesday May 6, 2014 at 7pm**

Guest Speaker: Fr. Brian Clough  
(Fr. Brian Clough is Judicial Vicar with the  
Archdiocese of Toronto)

For inquiries, please contact Deacon  
James Shaughnessy, MSW., RSW., Psyn.  
D (416) 921-1163 x 2227 or email  
[jshaughn@cfstoronto.com](mailto:jshaughn@cfstoronto.com)

**Fr. Leo J. Austin Celebrates 25 Years of  
Catholic Education**

On Saturday May 24, 2014, the community of Father Leo J. Austin Catholic Secondary School will celebrate 25 years in Catholic Education. All are welcome to join us! There will be a BBQ beginning at 12 noon, followed by an Open House and speeches, and culminating in a Mass at 4pm with Bishop Nguyen. Alumni can purchase tickets for our Friday night event, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Royal Oak Pub on Taunton Road Whitby. Tickets are only \$10, due by May 5<sup>th</sup>, and can be purchased from Susan Clancy, "The Voice of Austin", at the school (905) 666-2010 x 3411) or [sue.clancy@dcdsb.ca](mailto:sue.clancy@dcdsb.ca)

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

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 2014.

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 Tues. May 13 and Wed. May 14, 2014. They will arrive Monday afternoon and leave on Wednesday 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 14 and 15, 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 deliver your application to the Parish Office or place it in the Collection basket. Thank you.

Fr. Damian Ali  
Pastor

Linda Pilon  
Pastoral Assistant