

SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS

2015 – 2016

FIRST RECONCILIATION “Celebrating God’s Love” (Grade 2)	FIRST EUCHARIST “Invited to the Feast” (Grade 2)	CONFIRMATION – GRADE 8 “Anointed for Mission” (Confirmation registration for children in Grade 7 will take place in January 2016)
REGISTRATION in the Church (parents only) Tuesday, Sept. 29, 7:00 pm (please bring a \$30 fee for program expenses and a photocopy of your child's Baptism Certificate)	REGISTRATION at the Church (parents & children) Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 7:00 pm (please bring a \$35 fee for program expenses and a photocopy of your child's Baptism Certificate)	
PARENTS' MEETING in the Church (parents only) Tuesday, Oct. 13, 7:30 pm	PARENTS' MEETING in the Church (parents & children) - Monday, Oct. 5, 7:30 pm	

Note that registration for the sacraments this year will take place on these dates only.

Late registrations will be deferred to the Fall of 2016.

Please make sure these dates are on your calendar.

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.

Archdiocese of Toronto Humanitarian Relief – Project Hope

In response to the global refugee crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has launched “Project Hope,” a special emergency appeal. This 100-day campaign aims to raise \$3 million in order to settle 100 refugee families in the Archdiocese of Toronto as soon as possible. The effort will also require 100 volunteer committees to assist with settlement services. To make a donation to support the appeal, visit: www.archtoronto.org or call (416) 934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to NAME OF PARISH – PROJECT HOPE – REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP. We continue to pray for all those suffering, mindful of our call to welcome the stranger in our midst. Those interested in assisting with volunteer committees should contact the Office for Refugees at (647) 780-0827

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults R.C.I.A. is a process for adults who are NOT Catholic and are interested in becoming members of our Catholic faith community. We begin our journey in early September. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office soon (905) 668-3676.

*Dear Friends,
The Pastoral Council thanks Father Damian and the Parish Community for their great support of the Harvest Festival on September 12 and is grateful for the tremendous volunteer support led by Lisa Maltby, Anna Mahura and Roberta Deschenes. Our fearless Pastor braved the elements and was successfully trounced with cold water from balloons on a multitude of occasions as a result of our “never to be underestimated” youth, all in support of the church renovation fund.
The Pastoral Council gives thanks to the youth and children of the parish for their outstanding support at the Saturday, September 12 Mass at 5 pm serving as lectors, musicians, greeters, participants in the offertory service and the procession where items of food were donated to St. Vincent de Paul.
With sincere thanks to all,
Deidre Newman, Pastoral Council*

Pope Francis will canonize Blessed Junipero Serra on September 23, 2015 at the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington D.C. In the 18th century, Father Serra left a comfortable life in Spain to come to the New World and share his love of the Gospel. The Serra Club of Toronto West, which promotes, supports, and prays for religious vocations, invites you to share this historic moment for the Catholic Church at **St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church, 625 Atwater Avenue, Mississauga**. We will be watching the Canonization Mass on Salt and Light TV. Proceedings will begin at 3

p.m. followed by dinner. The fee is \$25 per person. Please contact David Bain at 905-451-8238 or djbain@rogers.com, before September 21, to register.

FAIRVIEW LODGE

Two Fairview Lodge Ministries are in need of new volunteers. Every Sunday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass ministers take Communion to Catholic Residents. This is a very rewarding ministry. (One of the members just retired after 29 years of service!) Ministers are on a rotating schedule and the commitment is about once a month. We are in need of 3 or more volunteers. The more ministers we have the less the commitment. We are also in need of more ministers to help with Mass on the second Friday of each month. There is a wonderful group of ministers involved in this ministry, but more help would be appreciated, especially to cover when ministers are on holiday. The new building is beautiful and the staff is very helpful. Please consider sharing your time in one of these ministries. If you can help, please contact Vicki in the rectory office.

Frank Jannetta from [Catholic Cemeteries](http://CatholicCemeteries.com) will be speaking at all masses on September 26 & 27 regarding funeral planning and Catholic Cemeteries.



Volunteers Needed for Sacrament Preparation Programs

We are seeking volunteers to help with preparing children for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. This would involve assisting with registration nights, retreat days, Confirmation classes, or special Masses. If the Lord inspires you to help out in any way, please contact Susan Douglas at (905) 668-3676 or sdouglas.lpa@gmail.com.

Marisa & Friends

*An Evening at the Cabaret
Saturday September 26, 2015
@ 7:30pm*

Knights of Columbus Hall
133 Brock Street N
Tickets \$20
Call Kevin (905) 432-1173
dashney@rogers.com
or David (905) 668-7456
david@drane.ca

Life Chain Sunday

Please join us to witness for the millions of unborn lost in Canada through abortion and to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation. This year Life Chain Sunday is October 4, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the intersection of Dundas St. E. and Thickson Rd.. (We meet at the south-east corner at 1:45)

St John the Evangelist Prayer Group

We meet Wednesdays at 1pm to 3pm in the Parish Centre.
DVD & CD presentations on:
Sept 23 – *I'm not being Fed I* by Jeff Cavins
Sept 30 – *I'm not being Fed II* by Jeff Cavins
Oct 7 – *Our Lady of the Rosary* by Scott Hahn
Oct 14 *Why Baptism in the Holy Spirit* CD by Ralph Martin
Oct 21 *The Charisms* CD by Ralph Martin
Oct 28 *Praise* by Fr. Bob Bedard
More sessions to come!
Please join us at 1pm each Wednesday

ADULT CHOIR

If you enjoy singing, come and join St John's choir. High school age and up are welcome. Rehearsals are Tuesdays at 7:30 in the hall.
Contact Kevin @ 905-432-1173



STEAKS 4 RENOS" **Friday October 2, 2015** **Cocktails - 6:15 PM** **Dinner - 7:00pm**

Knights of Columbus Hall
133 Brock St. N Whitby ON
Salad, Rolls & Butter, Steak,
Baked Potatoes, Vegetables, Dessert,
Tea & Coffee

Cash Bar

\$20.00 per person

Proceeds to St John's Reno Fund
For Tickets or information contact
Len Ladouceur 905-668-6723
lenshar@rogers.com

Tickets will be available after mass
September 19/20, 2015



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE

DRIVE

IN SUPPORT OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS ONTARIO

October 3^d & 4th, 2015

**A Charitable Cause of the
Knights for over 40 years.**

Please bring your empty liquor, wine and beer bottles/cans to the Parish Centre after any Mass that weekend and they will be collected and returned for their deposit.

Cash donation for this cause will also be accepted.

For information call Bryan Childerhouse at
(416) 508-9877 or e-mail
Bryan.childerhouse@rogers.com

St. Gertrude Church

690 King St. E
Greek Islands & Turkey Pilgrimage
May 25 – June 4, 2016
Information Session Tuesday Oct 13,
2015 at 6pm in the church
RSVP is required: 905-433-0828



Leaf Rakers Required

High school student volunteers *needing community service hours* can call Troy (647) 873-3550 to help with leaf raking around the parish grounds
October & November.

St. Leo Catholic School 50th Anniversary Mass

St. Leo the Great Church
130 Watford Street, Brooklin
Tuesday November 10, 2015
@5pm.

Followed by an Open House at St.
Leo Catholic School
120 Watford Street, Brooklin
RSVP: www.stleo50.com



Masses For The Week

Sat. Sept 19 – 5:00pm
+Fred Parrott
req. by The Parrott Family
Tues. Sep 22 – 8:20am
+Tony Rinaldi
req. by Lucy Rinaldi
Wed. Sep 23 - 7:00pm
+Edward Conboy
*req. by St. Vincent de Paul Society,
St. John the Evangelist Conference*
Thur. Sep 24 – 8:20am
+Bozo Kapular
req. by Friends & Family
Fri. Sep 25 – 8:20am
+Antonino Sidoti
req. by His Family
Sat. Sep 26 – 5:00pm
+Carmela & Francesco Princiotta
req. by Filippo Princiotta

Looking Ahead

Tues Sept 22
7pm Confirmation Registration, Gr 8
Wed Sept 23
1pm Prayer Group, PC main
6:15 – 7:15pm Parish Home
Catechism, PC all, St. Jos/Alb Rms
Sat/Sun Sept 26/27
Catholic Cemeteries – Frank Jannetta
speaks at all masses
Tues Sept 29
7pm 1st Rec/Euch Registration