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WEEKLY BULLETIN



Magnificat

A Ministry to Catholic Women



Come, Holy Spirit! Come!

Life in the Spirit Webinar

FREE: Six Sessions / 8:00 pm

Thursdays: February 15, 22, 29, Mar 7, 14, 21

Invite a friend or relative or even your faith sharing group!

The webinar link will be sent to your inbox within 48 hours.

Registration Required:

Life in the Spirit Webinar: Magnificat-Ministry.org

Big Event for Easter

Delicious Homemade Italian Food

POTATOES GNOCCHI (frozen) / 1 KILO \$25

ARANCINI & CHEESE (RICE BALLS) / 4 FOR \$20

EGG PLANT PARMIGIANA (FRESH) / \$35 (feeds 6)

Place Orders by Sunday February 18

Call Silvana: 647-237-4264

Pick up in parish hall:

Wednesday March 6 / 12 pm—3 pm

Cookie Bakers Wanted!

Do you have a favourite cookie recipe that you are famous for?

We are looking for you!

We need cookie bakers to help with our
Valdocco Retreat FUNDRAISER
on March 24th, 2024
in time for Easter.



Interested bakers, please contact Janet:

416-201-0780 / jhuitema@sympatico.ca

or Salesian Youth Office: salesianym.toronto@gmail.com

The Valdocco Retreat provides high school-aged youth the opportunity to encounter Jesus and to experience a deeper understanding of Salesian spirituality in an overnight retreat weekend. The experience includes Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, community building, sharing, witness talks, formation, and recreation with peers from across the province. The Valdocco Retreat brings together about 50 young people with youth who serve as young team leaders, and committed lay people and religious in the joyful spirit of St. John Bosco. The Valdocco Retreat empowers youth to see themselves as active members of the Church and the world, called to serve others.



Mass

with the

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and

Blessing Prayer for Caregivers

for those who work as health care professionals,
those who care for the sick: family members, friends

Tuesday February 13 / 10:00 am

in church

Understanding the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
The Healing Sacrament of the Living

WHAT IS THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is especially intended to strengthen those who are suffering serious illness. It is offered to support, encourage and comfort all those who are seriously ill. Participation in the celebration of this sacrament offers those who are sick an opportunity to open themselves to the healing power of God's grace and to continue to grow in wholeness. In this sacrament, we meet Jesus who heals and consoles us by giving us the Holy Spirit. The Risen Lord comes to strengthen us in body, mind and spirit during our time of illness.

WHO SHOULD CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK?

Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced. Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness, are facing surgery, serious medical tests or have suffered a serious accident. Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes, or who suffer from a serious mental illness. There is a need for those who are gravely ill to have expressed a desire, or by their lives to have demonstrated, that celebrating this sacrament would be important to them. It is not enough for family members or hospital staff to desire it on the sick person's behalf. It is important to try to ensure that those who are sick and those around them understand the significance of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a sacrament of healing and are prepared to celebrate it well.

For more information, click here:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/siteassets/media/offices--ministries/sub-sites/world-day-of-the-sick/understanding-the-sacrament-of-the-anointing-of-the-sick--english.pdf>



ORAT
Office for Refugees
Archdiocese of Toronto

Refugee Sponsorship Program

The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees has launched its 2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This program assists parishioners who would like to sponsor family members who are in need of refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor: 416-743-3830 X0.

Interested parishioners are required to provide the funds to cover the sponsorship.



Archbishop Francis Leo thanks you

Dear brothers and sisters,

It is with immense joy that I extend my heartfelt appreciation to each one of you for your kind and compassionate support of ShareLife.

In my brief time as archbishop, I have been deeply moved by the sensitive and giving spirit that pervades our archdiocese. Your commitment to demonstrating love through tangible actions truly inspires me.

In the biblical account of the multiplication of the loaves, we witness the profound impact that love can have. Just as Jesus multiplied the loaves to feed the hungry crowd, your compassion multiplies blessings for those on the fringes of society. May you continue to be moved by His love for us and inspired to share your blessings with our brothers and sisters.

In 2023, your support of the Parish Campaign led to an exceptional fundraising achievement of \$14.2 million. This marks an extraordinary record. Your continued faithful support makes it possible to carry out the essential work of ShareLife-funded agencies, reaching out to those most in need with love and understanding. The impact of your warm generosity echoes the teachings of the Gospel, and for that I express my deepest gratitude.

Thank you for living the Gospel by being a beacon of kindness in our community. Your caring support enables us to make a lasting impact in the lives of many.

May the Lord's blessings be abundantly multiplied in your lives.

Sincerely Yours in Jesus with Mary,

Most Rev. Francis Leo
Archbishop of Toronto



Bundle up Weekend



The truck was not there when we said it was coming.

There was a mix up.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

**Our truck for clothing donations
will be in the parking lot all weekend on
February 10 & 11**

THANK YOU for your continued support.
Saint Vincent de Paul Society

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

To request a mass intention, contact Susan:
speresso@stbenedicts.ca/416-743-3830 X0

Monday, February 5

8:00am Maria Fung by Clara

Tuesday, February 6

8:00am Thomas McGlynn by Nellie McGlynn

7:30pm - Mario DeVuono by Pina & family
- Jacques Holly Dai by Farah-Martine-Doci
- Louisa & Erole Muti by Pina & family
- Living Intention for John Bozel by Lucia
- Living Intention for Maria Berick by Lucia

Wednesday, February 7

8:00am Mrs. Yolanda Tavares family by Yolanda

Thursday, February 8

8:00am Mara Lozancic by Mara

Friday, February 9

8:00am Eva Nemeth by Mirjana Barisic

Saturday, February 10

8:00am Veselko Kutlesa by Mirjana Barisic

5:00pm Leocadia DeSouza by Angela D'Souza

Sunday, February 11

8:00am Cheryl Anderson by Dignum family

9:30am Mario Orlando by Ida Orlando & family (Ital/Ch)

9:30am Living Intention for Mario Giorgio by Sherika Collura (Eng/Hall)

11:00am Kazimierz Bzoma by Dasha & Karl

12:45pm For the People



Pray for the Dead

Elizabeth (Betty) Burns

Pray for the Sick Frank Losiggio, Mary Lynne Gallagher, Lois McDowell, Fr. Frank Kelly, SDB, Fr. Joseph Ho, SDB, Lidia Scaccia, Dan McKinnon, Cathy Proietti, Vincent Sguassero, Alessio Firreire, Steve Cawthorne & Assunta Di Felice

Parishioners wishing prayer from our parish family are
asked to call Susan Peresso: 416-743-3830



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



Come and celebrate Shrove Tuesday
hosted by our very own
**Columbian Squires Circle
St. Dominic Savio!**

We will be serving pancakes,
sausages and refreshments!

Tuesday February 13

5:00pm - 7:00pm

\$10.00 per person

Tickets will be sold after all masses on the weekends of
February 3/4 and February 10/11. Only LIMITED tickets will
be sold at the door so please purchase your tickets ahead of
time or make reservation arrangements @ 416 828 5979, or
email warrenpfernandes@gmail.com.

Thanks and we hope to see you all there!

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering (envs & loose only): **\$7,590**

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!