



# Parish Week

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

## Focus on the Word

**Trinity Sunday, Year C**

**Proverbs 8.22-31; Romans 5.1-5; John 16.12-15**

*God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Amen.*

**Sunday, 12 June 2022**

**Saturday, 11 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: † Julie Menezes, In memory of her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday (Gerrard)
- 11.30 pm Wedding: Mark Ironmonger & Ceara Tsoi-A-Sue
- 5.00 pm Mass: † Luigi De Cicco (Emma) - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion & Confirmation

### SUNDAY, 12 JUNE / MOST HOLY TRINITY

- Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Marygrove Camp
- 9.00 am Mass: † Dionisio Sr. Alcantara (Janet Aguirre)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Lalita D'Souza (Joseph)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Teresa Di Michele (family)
- 1.30 pm Sacramental orientation
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday 13 June / St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Regalos family (Clarita Rodrigues)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Leonard Reardon (family)

**Tuesday, 14 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: † Yolander & Antonio Santoro (Christine Martin)
- 7.00 pm Mass: † Teresa DiMichele

**Wednesday, 15 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Camila Maulion (Corine)

**Thursday, 16 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: † Juanita Gatchalian (Ophelia)

**Friday, 17 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: † William Rozario (Aruna Boila)

**Saturday, 18 June**

- 8.00 am Mass: † Elizabeth Wellmer (Daphne)
- 12.00 pm RCIC Baptism
- 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Birthday Fr. Edwin Galea (CWL Council)
- 6.00 pm Greeters Meeting

### SUNDAY, 19 JUNE / CORPUS CHRISTI

- Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati
- 9.00 am Mass: † Eleanor Alex Aexandris (friends & family)
- 10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto, Lydia & Justino Rodas (family)
- 12.00 pm Mass: † Mervyn & Delicia Rajapakse (Samanthi)
- 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Pray for the Deceased

**Anthony Joseph Couture, Angelina DeCicco, Teodora Enfectana Lanante, Rene Garcia Monge**

**The 60 victims of the machete massacre in a displaced person camp in Congo in February**

## The Rosary Apostolate

The Rosary Apostolate has been faithfully coming to St. Maria Goretti School once a month to pray the Rosary with students for more than 20 years. We are seeking people who have a great love for the Rosary and who are willing to visit the schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month for a total of only 8 days a year. Training, screening and materials will be provided.

If you are interested, please contact:  
**Dolores Marquez, 416-269-2478, or**  
**Sheen Pardinas, 416-335-5706**



## Upcoming Collections

### 12 June, Marygrove Camp

On Sunday, 12 June, the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will be for *Marygrove Camp*, run by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. *Marygrove* offers 1,100 girls from less-fortunate families an opportunity to attend summer camp. Many children will benefit from your generosity.



## COMING UP

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- 26 June 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: *Maintenance*
- 27 June St. Albert School Graduation Mass (10:00 am);  
- The Graduation Ceremony (5.00 pm)
- 1 July **Canada Day**
- 4 July Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
- 6 July Feast of **St. Maria Goretti**;  
- Wedding: Reed – Gutierrez (3:00 pm)
- 10 July 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: *ShareLife Free Will*;  
- Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
- 16 July Wedding: Sena – Wage (1:00 pm)
- 17 July *Krispy Kreme* Donut fundraiser for CWL & *ShareLife*
- 24 July Visit of **Pope Francis** to Canada (to 29 July)
- 31 July 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: *Maintenance*

## Website [stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org](http://stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org)

For more information on Parish activities, including the *Graduations*, check pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

# ShareLife 2022



5 June was our 3<sup>rd</sup> offering for our Parish *ShareLife* campaign. Our goal this year is \$42,000.00. It is important we meet our goal, as a Parish and an Archdiocese, on behalf of those served by our agencies. If you have not yet donated, you can do so using a *ShareLife* envelope.

As we all continue to recover from the pandemic, please keep these agencies and their clients they lovingly care for in your prayers. However you give, whatever you give, please give generously to *ShareLife*.

You can be a hero for those in need

The thousands of people who rely on *ShareLife*-funded agencies are counting on us to reach our parish goal, so the lifesaving work of these agencies can continue.

*“Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability.”* – **Cardinal Thomas Collins**

The *ShareLife* FREEWILL Sunday is 10 July.

## A Special Gift FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Our Parish thanks **Corine Maulion** for her kind donation of lilies and hydrangea for our Sanctuary to celebrate the Easter Season. Your gift is deeply appreciated.

## Mary, Mother of God School

Now Registering for September 2022-23

Have you heard of MARY, MOTHER OF GOD SCHOOL? We are an affordable, private school (Grades K-12), deeply rooted in the Catholic tradition. We are located in the Roncesvalles/Parkside area. We have an excellent academic program, a dynamic and joyful student life, and small classes where each student is really known and loved. For more information please visit our website at [www.marymotherofgodschool.org](http://www.marymotherofgodschool.org) or call us at 416-531-7897.

## RCIA, RCIC

*Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children*



The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; the parallel RCIC process for the Youth meets Saturday mornings.

Parishioners are asked to pray for the *Neophytes* in our RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS, and the youth in the RCIC, who joined the Church at *Easter* this year.

*The next meetings:*

RCIA Adults: 1 July, 5 August - 7.30 pm

RCIC Youth: 2 July, 6 August - 10.00 am.

# Sacramental Preparation

Congratulations to all students who recently celebrated 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion & Confirmation. God bless you and your families. The next Sacramental celebrations are:



## 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confirmation

at the 5.00 pm Mass on Saturday, 11 June.

## Stewardship

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.

Whether there is a crisis or not, we have to make difference, for our God is Great. Determine through your faith that the shadow of the Almighty will be upon you. Even if work is slow and prosperity is limited, things will be different because you will act by faith. Every Sunday, every Day of the Lord, is a time of consecration for tithers. Present your tithe to the Almighty along with your thanksgiving for all blessings received.

As Stewards of God's gifts we cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others.

## Upcoming Weddings

**Mark Ironmonger and Ceara Tsoi A Sue**

11 June 2022

**Roy Reed and Corazon Gutierrez**

6 July 2022

**Andrew Soosaipillai and Daphne Gnanapragasam**

18 June 2022, Epiphany of Our Lord Parish

**Ron Perwin Mariyathan and Barbra Ratnam**

9 July 2022, St. Rose of Lima Parish

**Elvin Polanatham and Priya Ranjan**

9 July 2022, Our Lady of the Airways, Malton

**Abe Sena and Jan Wage**

16 July 2022

**Lyon Lobo and Rajnie Chauhan**

6 August 2022





# Greeters

## Post-pandemic renewal meeting 6.00 pm, Saturday, 18 June

The Parish GREETERS will have their first post-pandemic meeting after the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, 18 June. This will be a chance to renew the Ministry after a variety of changes in procedure to accommodate the Covid 19 restrictions. It will also be an opportunity to properly thank Mr. Mukesh Kapadia, who assumed direction of this Ministry following the death of Celine Donald on 18 July 2019. Celine had been the longtime Facilitator of this important Ministry, and we are grateful for her generous giving of time and self.

We are deeply grateful for the dedication shown by Mukesh during the difficult time of pandemic. Much of the effectiveness of the Volunteers during this period was due to the experience many of them had as trained Greeters.

We now welcome Mr. Mario Francis as the new Facilitator for the Greeters. As we transition to post-pandemic procedures, we pray for the grace to collaborate with each other in our effort to serve the members of St. Maria Goretti Parish in our praise and worship of God.



## Morning Offering

My Queen, My Mother,  
I offer myself entirely to you.  
And to show my devotion to you,  
I offer you this day, my eyes,  
my ears, my mouth, my heart,  
my whole being without reserve.  
Wherefore, good Mother, as I am  
your own, keep me, guard me as  
your property and possession.  
Amen.

## Memorare

*Remember,* O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known that anyone who fled  
to your protection, implored your help,  
or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you,  
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother;  
to you do I come; before you I stand,  
sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word  
Incarnate, despise not my petitions,  
but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



# Sacramental Preparation

We are happy to welcome the Candidates for  
**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confirmation**

at the 5.00 pm Mass on Saturday, 11 June,

This celebration will accommodate students who would normally have been attending in-person meetings as part of our Saturday Confirmation Class, as well as students from our own Parish Schools who were unable to attend their designated celebrations earlier this year.



*Photo above: The alabaster window of the Holy Spirit is in the Apse wall above the Cathedra Petri in St. Peter Basilica, Vatican City.*

## Confirmation Gift of the Holy Spirit

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION and the EUCHARIST comprise the SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION. Confirmation completes Christian initiation, and strengthens the Candidates by the gift of the Holy Spirit. They are witnesses of Christ, bound to spread and defend the faith by their words and deeds.

## First Holy Communion We are a Family at Mass

When we come to Mass, we join Catholics all over the world in worship. We sing, we make gestures, we stand and kneel. We offer up the same prayers in many different languages. We ask God to take care of those who are poor and suffering. We gather to honour the memory of Jesus. We are blessed to be called to the Lord's Table!

The people in your parish, which is the Christian community in your neighbourhood, gather every Sunday just as Christians have done since the time of Jesus. When you attend and celebrate Mass with your family, with your neighbours, and with everyone who is part of your parish family, Jesus is truly there with you. We give thanks to God for all the blessings we have received. We remember the words that Jesus spoke at the Last Supper. We share the Bread of Life and the Cup of his Blood.



[Photo: Asia Bibi]

*It is now three years since the following letter was received by our Catholic Women's League.*

9 June 2019

To: **Eden Geonzon**, *President*,  
Catholic Women's League,  
St. Maria Goretti Parish

Dear Eden,

I have some great news to share with you. I am now able to confirm that **Asia Bibi** has finally left Pakistan and is now safe and sound right here in Canada!

Praise God that after nine long years, this cruel and unjust ordeal has finally come to an end. Asia is now free to begin a new life in peace and safety among us.

As you may recall, Asia Bibi was arrested and charged with blaspheming the false prophet Mohammed after talking about Christ with her co-workers. She was found guilty and put on death row.

**After languishing in prison since 2009**, her appeal went through to the Supreme Court of Pakistan. On 31 October 2018, the Court overturned Asia Bibi's death sentence and acquitted her of all charges, **ordering her immediate release**.

However, the Supreme Court's verdict inflamed the anger of radical Muslims in Pakistan. Violent protests erupted and spread all over the country, with thousands demanding that Asia Bibi be hanged. Asia's life and freedom were once again in jeopardy.

After her case was formally reviewed, Asia was vindicated a second time. Then, months later, after being sequestered in a secret safe house in Pakistan, she was finally allowed to leave the country and obtain asylum here in Canada.

We at CitizenGO worked to petition the Pakistani government and draw attention to her plight over many years. Hundreds of thousands of CitizenGO ers like you signed to show your support for Asia.

Our efforts also included **rallies and prayer vigils** all over the world. We even ran **full- and half-page ads** in leading international newspapers, including the Toronto Star and National Post. In addition, we raised **thousands of dollars of aid** to help Asia and her family.

It was a very long and difficult road to travel for Asia – an exceedingly heavy cross for her and her family to bear. But now, at long last, by God's grace, **she is truly free!**

*This is a victory we need to celebrate and share with others!*

I want to thank you, our CitizenGO family, for all your prayers and financial support over the years in the cause of Asia Bibi. I also want to thank you for signing our petitions in her defence. Finally, I want to say a special thanks to those dozen souls who braved the cold and sleet to stand with me in front of the Pakistani Consulate in Toronto last fall (see below).

**God has blessed all of your efforts, all of your prayers, and all of your sacrifice!**

Due to the need to keep Asia Bibi safe as she starts her new life in Canada, we are unable to report on her new location or provide any other details at this time. All we can tell you is that she has been relocated somewhere in Western Canada.

Once again, thank you and God bless you for your support!

Sincerely Yours,

*David Cooke and the entire  
CitizenGO Team*







## Queen Elizabeth II: Platinum Jubilee

The Queen has said she was 'humbled and deeply touched' by the Platinum Jubilee celebrations held across the UK. In a 'thank you' letter after a concluding pageant in London, she said she remained committed to serving as monarch with the support of her family. The Queen said despite not being at every event marking her 70-year reign: 'My heart has been with you all. She was joined by three generations of her family on the Buckingham Palace balcony for the finale of the pageant. Her appearance rounded off a huge star-studded procession along The Mall which saw carnival floats celebrating the seven decades of her reign.

In a statement issued as the long weekend's events drew to a close, the Queen, who is 96, said she had been inspired by the kindness, joy and kinship she had seen over during the four-day celebration.

It said: 'When it comes to how to mark 70 years as your Queen, there is no guidebook to follow. It really is a first. But I have been humbled and deeply touched that so many people have taken to the streets to celebrate my Platinum Jubilee.

'While I may not have attended every event in person, my heart has been with you all; and I remain committed to serving you to the best of my ability, supported by my family.

I have been inspired by the kindness, joy and kinship that has been so evident in recent days, and I hope this renewed sense of togetherness will be felt for many years to come.

'I thank you most sincerely for your good wishes and for the part you have all played in these happy celebrations.'

It was signed, *Elizabeth R.*

the Queen appeared on the balcony of Buckingham Palace for the final event of the Jubilee. There was rapturous applause from a crowd, who were surprised as well as delighted to see her. After so many concerns about her health there had been doubts about her being there. The *Red Arrows* didn't make their fly by, because of the weather, but The Queen made it. It seemed appropriate for such a tenacious monarch.



The BBC created a video with the Queen and Paddington Bear.



*Pope Francis and South Sudanese President Salva Kiir during a private meeting at the Vatican, 16 March 2019*

## The Pope's ambitious six-day visit to Africa, 2 – 7 July

Despite having to use a wheelchair, Pope Francis is going ahead with his July 2-7 visit to the Democratic Republic of Congo and South Sudan. Pope Francis has been physically weakened and slowed down by knee pain. The Vatican has confirmed that the July trip is going forward, despite rumors of its postponement. The 85-year-old Pope, who has been mostly confined to a wheelchair the past few weeks, will travel 7 ½ -hours by plane on Saturday, 2 July, to the DRC capital, Kinshasa. He will be taken immediately to the Palais de la Nation to meet President Felix Tshisekedi. The DRC leader, who was elected in December 2018, first met the Pope in January 2020 during a visit to the Vatican. After his visit to DRC, he will proceed to South Sudan.

Prior to 2011, South Sudan, which is largely Christian, was part of Sudan, to the north, which is largely Muslim and Arab. South Sudan's capital is Juba.



## 21 New Cardinals

Pope Francis announced on 29 May that he will create 21 new cardinals, at a consistory on 27 August. The Pope made the announcement from a window overlooking St. Peter Square after reciting the *Regina Caeli*. This is the list:

Arthur Roche, prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments (UK).  
 Lazzaro You Heung-sik, Prefect for the Congregation for Clergy (South Korea).  
 Fernando Vergez Alzaga, President of the Pontifical Commission for Vatican City State (Spain).  
 Archbishop Jean-Marc Aveline, of Marseille (France).  
 Archbishop Peter Okpaleke, of Ekwulobia (Nigeria).  
 Archbishop Leonardo Ulrich Steiner, of Manaus (Brazil).  
 Archbishop Filipe Neri António Sebastião of Goa (India).  
 Bishop Robert Walter McElroy, of San Diego (US)  
 Archbishop Virgilio Da Silva, of Dili (East Timor).  
 Bishop Oscar Cantoni, of Como (Italy).  
 Archbishop Anthony Poola, of Hyderabad (India).  
 Archbishop Paulo Cezar Costa, of Brasília (Brazil).  
 Bishop Richard Kuuia Baawobr M. Afr, of Wa (Ghana).  
 Archbishop William Goh Seng Chye (Singapore).  
 Archbishop Adalberto Martínez, of Asunción (Paraguay).  
 Archbishop Giorgio Marengo, of Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia).

*Five of the new Cardinals will be over the age of 80:*

Archbishop Jorge Enrique Jiménez Carvajal, Archbishop Emeritus of Cartagena (Colombia).  
 Archbishop Lucas Van Looy, sdb, of Ghent (Belgium).  
 Archbishop Arrigo Miglio, Archbishop of Cagliari (Italy).  
 Father Gianfranco Ghirlanda sj (Italy).  
 Monsignor Fortunato Frezza (Italy).

Since his election in 2013, Pope Francis has created 101 Cardinals from 58 countries at seven consistories. The last consistory to create new cardinals took place on 28 Nov. 2020. Then, the new Cardinals included Cardinal Wilton Gregory of Washington and Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa, the Preacher to the Papal Household since 1980. Following the 2020 consistory, 73 of the Cardinals eligible to vote a future conclave had been appointed by Pope Francis; 39 had been appointed . Benedict XVI, and 16 had been appointed by St. John Paul II. Ahead of the upcoming consistory, there are currently 117 Cardinals, 67 (52%) of whom have been appointed by Pope Francis.







Moraine Lake, Alberta, Canada  
Lake Powell, Utah, US  
Lake Nakuru, Kenya  
Lake Tahoe, Nevada, US





