



## Parish Week / Sunday, 20 May 2018

### Saturday, 19 May

- 8.00 am Mass: † Esteban Naing (Mutuc family)  
 3.00 pm Wedding: Mike Silver & Lucrezia Diliso  
 5.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Little Mary's Choir)

### SUNDAY, 20 MAY / PENTECOST

*Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles*

- Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: ShareLife 3<sup>rd</sup> Appeal

- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Fr. Elias (friend)  
 10.30 am Mass: † Alexander D'Souza (family)  
 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Ondine Almeida (friends)  
 1.00 pm Knights of Columbus  
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

### Monday, 21 May / Mary, Mother of the Church

*(New Feast established by Pope Francis in March 2018)*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Alicia Ting (Rosalina Chan)  
 7.00 pm Mass: † Jose Dilla (Velasco family)

### Tuesday, 22 May / St. Rita of Cascia, religious

- 8.00 am Mass: † Enrico & Cirilo Serneo (Helen)  
 7.00 pm Memorial Mass: † Lutgarda Leyson

### Wednesday, 23 May

- 8.00 am Mass: † Madeline (Antle) Downey  
 (Edna Antle & family)

### Thursday, 24 May

- 8.00 am Mass: † Rocco Aldorasi (Stephen)

### Friday, 25 May / St. Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Kathleen Tracey (Marie Collins)

### Saturday, 26 May / St. Philip Neri, priest

- 8.00 am Mass: † Jose Segador Jr. (Gary)  
 1.00 pm Wedding: Amato & Abate  
 5.00 pm Mass: † Eileen Taylor (Cheryl & Maryanne)  
 - Recognition of 1<sup>st</sup> Communicants

### SUNDAY, 27 MAY / TRINITY SUNDAY

- Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Maintenance

- 9.00 am Mass: † Clive Francis Fernandez (Mary Joseph)  
 10.30 am Mass: † Lydia & Ernesto Rodas (family)  
 - Installation of Altar Server Novices and Apostolate  
 11.30 am Catholic Women's League  
 12.00 pm Mass: † Raponi Vito (family)  
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Focus on the Word

### Pentecost Sunday - B

Acts 2.1-11; 1 Corinthians 12.3-13; John 15.26-27; 16.12-15

*O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill again the hearts of your believers. Amen.*

### Pray for the Deceased

Esther Aloysius Magdalena Salvador  
 Cecilia Ola Yosef Woldemichael

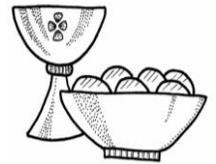


The 22 soliders killed in the Democratic Republic of Congo

### Altar Servers

#### TRAINING MEETINGS

The training meetings are held at 9.00 am on Saturdays for our Altar Server Candidates.



#### INSTALLATION

On Sunday, 27 May, the new Novices and Apostolate Servers will be installed at the 10.30 am Mass.

#### NEW SERVERS

On Saturday, 2 June, at 9.00 am, new candidates for Altar Serving are welcome to come to the start of a new training session.

## Recognition of 1<sup>st</sup> Communicants

5.00 pm, Saturday, 26 May

Our Catholic Women's League is pleased to host the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual RECOGNITION OF THE FIRST COMMUNICANTS. They are invited to come with their families, and wear their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion outfit.

This year, they will be recognized at the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, 26 May, where they will have a special role.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: 20 May – ShareLife 3<sup>rd</sup> Appeal

On Sunday, 20 May, the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will be the ShareLife 3<sup>rd</sup> Appeal, which raises funds in support of 33 agencies and 10 grant recipients, respecting the sanctity of all human life.

If you use a recycled envelope marked "ShareLife," please remember to write your own Sunday envelope number on top.

## COMING UP

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| 4 June  | Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)   |
| 6 June  | Jean Vanier CSS Mass (9:00 am)  |
| 10 June | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Marygrove Camp;<br>- Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)                                     |
| 11 June | ► St. Albert School Mass (1:00 pm)  |
| 16 June | Anniversaries: Willie & Melchora Mulla #30,<br>Rene & Jocelyn Antigua #25, Edwin & Yvonne Suico #25 (2.30 pm) |
| 17 June | Father's Day  |
| 18 June | Fr. Edwin Galea: 64 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of birth  |
| 19 June | Deacon Ramon: 14 <sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary   |
| 21 June | St. Maria Goretti School Mass (8:45 am)   |



## ShareLife 2018

Pentecost Sunday – 20 May 2018 (3<sup>rd</sup> ShareLife Appeal Sunday)

*Living the Gospel by maximizing your donation.*

Administered by ST. ELIZABETH HEALTHCARE, the *Shared Services Initiative* is supporting other *ShareLife*-funded agencies in the areas of human resources, financial services and information technology. Participating agencies report they are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work. Through this initiative, *ShareLife*-funded agencies are ensuring the maximum amount received is directed to the front-line service they provide.

20 May is the 3<sup>rd</sup> *ShareLife Appeal Sunday*.  
Please give generously. *You can work wonders!*

## Knights of Columbus

*Upcoming events*

20 May: General Meeting for all members,  
following the 12 noon Mass

17 June: Father's Day BBQ



## Baptism

*Congratulations* to the newest members of our Church, born again through water and the Spirit as brothers and sisters of Jesus:

7 October

**Kevonte Emanuel Hicklin Noel**  
**Zachariah Ashton Viar**

15 October

**Azaira Brown-Bonner**  
**Tracey Marie Esguerra**

21 October

**Rainer J. Cortez**  
**Stephanie Fernandez**  
**Victoria Julia Manalo**  
**Athena Reambonanza**  
**Louise Andrea Suguitan**

12 November

**Gabriel Robbie Araya**  
**Heya Veronica Gomes**  
**Aarrown Robinson**  
**Adelyn Fiona Rozario**

18 November

**Finn Davin Balane**  
**Adreana Louviele Dy**  
**Amber Mari Leano**  
**Jacob Louis Tankongchun**  
**Michaela Filippa Villarrol**

## Flores de Mayo Saturdays in May

At the Saturday 5.00 pm Mass during May, the Choir will host the FLORES DE MAYO celebration. Families with young children are invited to bring flowers in honour of Our Blessed Mother. After the *Prayer of the Faithful* (Intercessions), gather in the Vestibule, and the Choir facilitators will guide you in processing to the Altar, where the flowers will be placed near Mary's statue.

### Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring flowers the fairest,  
from garden and woodland and hillside and dale;  
our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling  
the praise of the loveliest rose of the vale!

*Refrain:* O Mary! We crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.  
O Mary! We crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

Our voices ascending, in harmony blending,  
Oh! Thus may our hearts turn dear Mother, to thee;  
Oh! Thus shall we prove thee, how truly we love thee,  
How dark without Mary life's journey would be.

*Refrain*

O Virgin most tender, our homage we render,  
Thy love and protection, sweet Mother, to win;  
In danger defend us, in sorrow befriend us,  
And shield our hearts from contagion and sin.



## RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

20 May Commissioning Rite, and distribution of Certificates  
(Pentecost Sunday 7.00 pm Mass)

26 May Annual Potluck Supper (Following 5.00 pm Mass)

1 July ***The call of the Holy Spirit: Following Christ***  
(Mass at 7 pm, Meeting at 7.30 pm)

[*Photo above: Special Initiation Rite, 5 pm Mass, 5 May 2018; l-r: Beatriz Yamal, facilitator; Corine Maulion, sponsor; Tiffany Garnett, neophyte; Mikayla Heywood, neophyte; Fr. Edwin, pastor; Matthew Barnes, neophyte, and his family: Crystal Barnes, Ryan Barnes, Arianna Lim, Gail Gilmour, Ian Lim.*]

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

For more details on the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church, and other articles, see page 3 in the bulletin on our website.

# Preparing for Pentecost

*How you and your family can celebrate the fact that the Holy Spirit is with us*

We prepare for *Christmas* by celebrating the four weeks of waiting known as *Advent*, and prepare for *Easter* by undergoing our own 40-day journey into the desert of *Lent*. We should prepare with penance and joyful waiting as we approach the feast of the day when our Church began its mission: PENTECOST.

The annual celebration of this holy day should be an opportunity to begin or renew our commitment to the mission we've been given as God's children. How? Here are seven ways to prepare your own heart for the feast of Pentecost, and grow more aware of the work of the Spirit in your life and in the world.

**1. Retrieve your Confirmation date.** Pope Francis encourages us to discover our *Baptism* date and celebrate this moment in time when we became part of Christ's church and were freed from original sin. In the same way, shouldn't we celebrate the day we chose to embrace our faith of our own free will in *Confirmation*, and to be commissioned and sent out to tell everyone the good news? The sacrament of Confirmation is a one-time event, with lifetime effects. Read up on the saint you chose as your patron. Reach out and pray with your Confirmation sponsor if he or she is available, or if not, pray for them, and try to make it to mass or adoration on the date. Tell the Holy Spirit "thank you," for coming to you as Gift and Advocate.

**2. Recall the gifts of the Holy Spirit:** wisdom, understanding, piety (reverence), knowledge, counsel (right judgment), fortitude (courage), and fear of the Lord (wonder and awe). Ask the Holy Spirit to help you discern your own charisms, and to guide you on what God's will is for you in building up the body of Christ.

**3. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you** through an examination of conscience and prepare yourself to receive the sacrament of Penance. The further we are from sin, the closer we are to each person of the Trinity.

**4. Realize that you are participating in the Church's oldest novena,** the Novena to the Holy Spirit. To promote and encourage devotion to the third person of the Trinity, the Church offers indulgences connected with this devotion.

**5. Help renew the face of the earth.** We are the body of Christ, and each of us is a vessel of the Holy Spirit. When the Apostles received the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost, they went out and spoke about their faith, about the man they loved and knew to be the Christ. They no longer feared proclaiming their beliefs. They shared what they had, what they knew, with everyone they encountered. Go out and share your faith with someone. Invite someone back. Be not afraid to speak.

**6. Gladden the Holy Spirit.** Spend some time serving God by serving others. Perform either corporal or spiritual works of mercy in your home and/or community. Pray a prayer to the Holy Spirit.

**7. Spend some time thanking the Trinity.** One of the easiest ways to do this is by taking up your rosary and simply saying, "Thank you, God the Father" on all of the beads. Then, "Thank you, Jesus Christ, the Son" all the way around the rosary, and finally, "Thank you, Holy Spirit" through all of the beads. Do this as part of Adoration if possible. It is hard not to feel overwhelmed with gratitude by the time you finish the exercise.

Have a great Feast of Pentecost!

# Pilgrimage to the Historical Centre of Mexico

15 – 21 November 2018

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, PUEBLA, TAXCO, MEXICO CITY

Under the spiritual direction of **Fr. Edwin Galea**. Enrich your faith with memories that will remain in your heart.

See Puebla, "City of Angels;" Taxco, the "Silver City;" Mexico City, and the Shrine of OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, the largest shrine to Our Blessed Mother in the Western Hemisphere, and the source of immense healing.

\$2,199.00 Canadian per person; includes all taxes and tips. For more information, call: **Camille** or **Desmond**, 416-447-3491.



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## Sunday School for Kids

10 June - Last day before Summer break.

16 September - Classes resume.

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## Mary, Mother of the Church

*New Feast: The Monday after Pentecost*

On 6 March 2018, the Vatican announced that **Pope Francis** had decided that the Church celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as "*Mother of the Church*" every year on the Monday after Pentecost, as a way to foster Marian piety and the maternal sense of the Church. The decree establishing the memorial was published on 3 March in a letter from **Cardinal Robert Sarah**. He explained that Pope Francis added the memorial to the Roman Calendar after carefully considering how the promotion of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary under this particular title might encourage growth in "the maternal sense of the Church" and in "genuine Marian piety." He wrote, "This celebration will help us to remember that growth in the Christian life must be anchored to the Mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic Banquet and to the Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed."

The new feast will be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost. In 1964, at the close of the Second Vatican Council (1962-65), Blessed Pope Paul VI formally declared Mary as the "Mother of the Church," and invited Catholics to invoke Mary's help under that title. During the jubilee year of 1975, the Vatican promulgated a special votive Mass for Mary under the title of BEATA MARIA ECCLESIAE MATER, "*Blessed Mary Mother of the Church*," and also approved inserting the title into various prayers in honor of Mary. With the new decree, devotion to Mary as Mother of the Church now becomes an approved feast for the universal Church.