

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5.17

Focus on the Word

7th Sunday Ordinary Time, Year C

Samuel 26.2-25; Corinthians 15.45-49; Luke 6.27-38

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Harry Bailly Maria Rizzuti
Helen Simpson Margit Toth

The 40 Victims of the terrorist attack in Syria



2nd Collection 24 February, Maintenance

The 2nd collection on Sunday, 24 Feb., will be for the support of our major parish projects through the *Maintenance Collection*.

Parish Week ☩ Sunday, 24 February 2019

Saturday, 23 Feb. / St. Polycarp, bishop & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Aniano Recinto (The San Juan family)
9.30 am ► Catholic Estate Planning Seminar,
Christ the King Cemetery
4.00 pm St. Albert Sch. 1st Com. Family Instruction #2
5.00 pm Mass: † Adoracion Chongeo (family)

SUNDAY, 24 FEB. / 7 - C

■ Homilist: Deacon Gerry Turpin

■ 2nd Collection: Maintenance

- 9.00 am Mass: † Ilona Schranecz (family)
10.30 am Mass: Int. Esme D'Mello (friends)
11.30 am Catholic Women's League
12.00 pm Mass: † Alfredo Octaviano (family)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 25 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Caroline)
6.00 pm St. Albert Sch. 1st Com. Family Instruction #2
7.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Tomas Toriano & family

Tuesday, 26 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Helen & Cecilia Gomes (Thomas Family)

Wednesday, 27 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Lerma Collado (family)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo
7.30 pm St. Maria Goretti School Confirmation
Family Info Nite

Thursday, 28 Feb.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Mildred Cusi (Raquel Diaz)

Friday, 1 Mar.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Iann Stafford (Alice Larkin)
6.00 pm Holy Hour
7.00 pm Mass: † Blanche Pereira (family)

Saturday, 2 Mar.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Souls in Purgatory (Audrey)
4.00 pm St. M.G. Sch. 1st Com. Family Instruction #1
5.00 pm Mass: † Arthur Braganza (family)

SUNDAY, 3 MAR. / 8 - C

■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

- 9.00 am Mass: † Salvacion Hubilla (Fe Edna & Family)
10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto & Lydia Rodas (family)
12.00 pm Mass: † Cyril D'Souza (family)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

COMING UP

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- 4 Mar. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
6 Mar. **Ash Wednesday:** Lent begins;
– Day of Fast and Abstinence;
– Parish Mass (8.00 am);
– St. Maria Goretti School Liturgy (8:45 am);
– ► St. Albert School Liturgy, Junior (9:30 am);
– ► St. Albert School Liturgy, Senior (10:30 am);
– Parish Mass (7.00 pm)
10 Mar. Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
16 Mar. Wedding: David Shirbon – Leanne Vase (3:00 pm)
17 Mar. *ShareLife* talk, **James Cyfko, Hilton Chiu, Alvin Joys;**
– Religious Articles Sale;
– Knights of Columbus Meeting (1:00 pm)
20 Mar. ► St. Albert School Lenten Reconciliation (9:15 am)
21 Mar. St. Maria Goretti School Lenten Reconciliation (8:45 am)
24 Mar. – 2nd Collection: *Maintenance*;
Catholic Women League (11:30 am)
28 Mar. ► Jean Vanier CSS Reconciliation (9:30 am)
31 Mar. 2nd Collection: *ShareLife*
1 Apr. – Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)

- 14 Apr. **Palm Sunday:** Holy Week begins
18 Apr. **Holy Thursday:** Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper;
– Adoration until midnight
19 Apr. **Good Friday:** The Passion of Our Lord
21 Apr. **Easter Sunday:** Resurrection of Our Lord;
2 Collections: (a) Offertory; (b) Easter

- 5 May *ShareLife* Presentation, **David Bruce**
15 June ► Lectors' Workshop, Precious Blood Church (9 am - 2 pm)

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For more information, see page 3 in the website bulletin.

ShareLife 2019

Living the Gospel by supporting those with infirmities



Florence slipped on an icy sidewalk, fracturing her right hip and breaking her thigh bone and ankle. Due to the cost of physical therapy, she worried she would never walk again. Her doctor referred her to LA Centre for Active Living, an agency funded by *ShareLife*. Within a week, Florence began participating in the centre's free health and fitness classes. In just six months, she progressed from needing a wheelchair, to using a walker, and finally to walking independently.

Your generosity helped Florence to regain her health. Thank you for supporting *ShareLife*!

Upcoming Weddings

There is a promise of Marriage between:

David Shirbon and Leanne Vase, 16 March

Sacramental Preparation

Remember in your prayers our parish youth who will be receiving the Sacraments of *Eucharist* and *Confirmation*:

23 & 25 February: **St. Albert School**

1st Holy Communion Instruction #2

SATURDAY: 4.00 pm; MONDAY: 6.00 pm.

27 February: (1) **St. Albert School**

9.10 am **Confirmation Instruction #1**

(2) **St. Maria Goretti School**

CONFIRMATION FAMILY INFORMATION NIGHT

MASS: 7.00 pm; MEETING: 7.30 pm.

2 & 4 March: **St. Maria Goretti School**

1st Holy Communion Instruction #1

SATURDAY: 4.00 pm; MONDAY: 6.00 pm.

7 March: **St. Maria Goretti School**

9.10 am **Confirmation Instruction #1**

21 March: **St. Maria Goretti School**

1.10 pm **Confirmation Instruction #2**

27 March: **St. Albert School**

9.10 am **Confirmation Instruction #2**

3 April: **St. Albert School**

9.10 am **Confirmation Instruction #3**

4 April: **St. Maria Goretti School**

9.10 am **Confirmation Instruction #3**

6 & 8 April: **St. Maria Goretti School**

1st Holy Communion Instruction #2

SATURDAY: 4.00 pm; MONDAY: 6.00 pm.

Chalice 23/24 February

At our Masses on 23/24 February, **Deacon Gerry Turpin** will speak about *Chalice* – a Catholic international aid charity focused on child, family, and community development. We work closely with lay people, religious missionaries, and local communities to provide care for the many children and families caught in the dehumanizing grip of poverty. Since its inception, Chalice has been restoring hope and dignity to people in developing countries through our sponsorship program. Deacon Gerry will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 57 mission sites in 15 developing countries. For further information, see page 3 in our website bulletin.



Catholic Women's League

Development Day 9 am – 3 pm, - 23 February

The CWL 2019 Development Day will be held at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Etobicoke. Registered participants please bring your own lunch, and \$12.00 for the bus fare.

Departure time: 7:45 am, in our parking lot. For more details, contact: **Joan**, (416)261-6709; or **Eden**, (647)713-8773.

Free Catholic Estate Planning Seminar

9.30 am, Saturday, 23 February

Christ the King Cemetery, 7770 Steeles Ave. East, Markham

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES and the ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO estate planning team will share:

- ☐ How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- ☐ How to ensure your wishes are legally protected
- ☐ About Powers of Attorney
- ☐ Estate Trustee selection
- ☐ Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors
- ☐ Our Catholic traditions on wills, burial and funerals

An estate planning kit will be provided at no cost.

Refreshments will be served. Plan to come for this morning!

RSVP with: **Frank Jannetta**, Catholic Cemeteries, (416) 733 8544 x 2023, or email: fjannetta@cc-fs.ca.

Stewardship

2018 Receipts

2019 Envelopes

The Charitable *Tax Receipts* for all recorded donations during 2018 are in the Vestibule. They may be picked up after Mass.

Parishioners are invited to pick up their *2019 Sunday Offertory Envelopes* in the Office Lobby after Mass.



Rev. Mr. Gerry Turpin

Presenter on behalf of Chalice

Deacon Gerry Turpin has been married to **Marilyn Gallagher** for 58 years as of August 2018. They have five adult children: 3 boys and 2 girls. They also have 9 grandchildren.

Gerry was ordained as a permanent deacon, in the diocese of Montreal, in 1981. He is presently assigned St. Veronica's Parish in Dorval. He preaches every other weekend, is responsible for the ALPHA program and teaches Bible classes in Adult Faith Formation.

He worked in public education for 33 years as a teacher and school administrator with La Commission Scolaire Baldwin Cartier.

Gerry started presenting parenting programs in 1977. He asked to be ordained to this ministry and, as a result, most of his time is spent working with families. He registered this ministry as Parentaide Plus in the mid 80's. To date he has worked with over 36,000 people.

When he retired in June of 1992 he moved into St. Veronica School in Dorval where he ran **Parentaide Plus** and did volunteer work at the school. He taught social skills and conflict resolution, helped with student discipline, and was a lunchroom supervisor. In 2001 Gerry was able to rent his own office and teaching space in Dorval.

In 1993 Gerry won a scholarship to St. Paul's University, in Ottawa, to pursue his graduate and post-graduate studies in conflict resolution and mediation. Gerry is still intrigued by the fact that this scholarship was given to him by the Mennonite Church! Upon graduation he was made a Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution and was asked to become a guest lecturer at the university. Gerry has continued to pursue his studies and has now completed his graduate studies in Theology.

Gerry has presented workshops to police officers, teachers, doctors, and students throughout Quebec, Ontario and Vermont. He has introduced Peer Mediation programs in several schools and has done conflict resolution training with the OPP.

Much of Gerry's work has been with first nation people and from 1998 to November 2014 he worked as a missionary in the Canadian arctic to provide parenting classes to Inuit parents. He also did crisis intervention with native women and children who had been battered and/or sexually abused.



[Above: ST. VERONICA PARISH, DORVAL, QUEBEC.]

In 2007 Gerry was incardinated into the Diocese of Amos and was made the pastor of Mission St. André in Kuujjuarapik. In this role he was responsible for the Catholic/Christian community (Inuit, Cree, and White) on the Hudson coast. During these 16 years Gerry would spend 2 weeks in the north then return home for 2 or three weeks to be with family and continue his work in Montreal. For three years he worked, part time, at the Native Women's Shelter of Montreal where he helped women who were living at the shelter as well as with aboriginal people who ended up living on the streets of Montreal. Gerry has also worked with the Inuit inmates, at the prison located in St. Jerome.

Gerry has written 2 parenting books, one from an Inuit worldview, which has been translated into Inuktitut entitled Reclaiming Our Youth and the second, Survive Being a Parent. How to get the kids of your back and on your side which is used in his parenting programs here in the south.

Three years ago Gerry joined CHALICE, the largest Canadian Catholic sponsorship organization, which seeks funds for children and seniors in third world countries. He is traveling from parish to parish to preach the Gospel and seek support for the missionary projects of religious orders such as the Missionaries of Africa, Sisters of the Good Shepherd and the Congregation of Notre Dame.

Chalice commits 90.3 percent of its spending to support programs. In fiscal year 2017-2018, \$27,001,000 million was spent directly towards supporting those in need. Children and elders are selected for sponsorship based on need and family circumstances, regardless of race, age, gender, or religion. Each of our 57 sponsor sites, spanning across 15 developing countries, is under local direction. By working with those who experience the difficulties of poverty, we gain insight on how to best respond to challenges.