MASS INTENTIONS

March 27th - April 1st, 2017

Mon. Mar 27th 8am + Irene & Norman Gallyot

Tues. Mar 28th 8am +Robert Reid

Wed. Mar 29th 8am +William C. Donovan

Thurs. Mar 30th 8am +Rachel Francone

Fri. Mar 31st 8am +Mary Smith

7pm +Vincent Piron

Sat. April 1st 9am +Mark Wheeler

+Eugene Turchiaro

+Pasquale Macchione

Sp.Int. Ho Family

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE Palm Sunday (April 8/9)

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15am, 10am, 12 noon, 7pm

Monday, April 10th 8am mass,

Tuesday, April 11th 8am mass,

Wednesday, April 12th 8am mass

Holy Thursday April 13th

Holy Thursday (There is no morning mass)

Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church proper until midnight. The mass this evening includes foot washing and we invite all of those who wish to participate to come forward.

Good Friday April 14th

Celebration of the Passion 9am, 12 noon & 3pm Confessions following each liturgy in the church

Holy Saturday April 15th

Blessing of Food: 12 noon in the church

Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 15th at 8:00pm (please note there will be no Saturday 5pm mass)

Easter Sunday: 8:15am, 10am (Church & Lynett Hall), 12 noon (Church & Lynett Hall) & 7pm

Easter Monday: 9am

SHARELIFE SPEAKER

We welcome Shawn D'Sousa who is in his second year studying theology at St. Augustine's Seminary. He is with us this weekend as part of our preparation for ShareLife Sunday on April $1^{\rm st}$ and $2^{\rm nd}$.

Shawn is studying for the Archdiocese of Toronto. Before entering the Seminary he worked in I.T. Let us pray that his time of preparation for priesthood will be rich in blessings.

ShareLife

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 2017

Working wonders for those who need help in our neighbourhood....

Working with St. Elizabeth HealthCare, ShareLife, through Catholic Charities, has implemented a shared services initiative that has provided support to agencies in the areas of human resources (16 agencies) and financial services (5 agencies). Now in its fourth year of activity, agencies participating in this initiative report that they are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work in these areas. Some Executive Directors reported on the impact of this initiative to their agency. "It has enhanced our agency's competence." shares one Executive Director, "Before, I was in way over my head, but trying to do my best. Now, I have expertise at my disposal and feel comfortable."

Please help us by supporting our annual ShareLife appeal during this Lenten season!

Next Sunday April 2, 2017 is ShareLife
Sunday

Please give generously
Our goal at OLG this year is \$140,000.



Easter Flowers

Aurora Knights of Columbus

Lilies, hydrangeas, tulips, mums, daffodils & hyacinths Prices range from \$10 to \$25 per

Only <u>two</u> chances to place your order

after the Masses today or April 1st-2nd

Delivery on Sat. April 8th at Lynett Hall.

Order forms also available from

Grand knight@kofcaurora.ca

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Friday, March 31^{st} at 7:30pm after the 7pm mass the stations will be led by the Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers.

LENTEN REFLECTION FOR MARCH 25/26th

Instead of putting a large examination in the bulletin just before the parish reconciliation day on April 6 at 7 p. m. We will put in a shorter reflection in each bulletin throughout Lent. We will base the reflection on the gospel for the Sunday.

This week Jesus meets the blind man and gives him the power to see. Does the teaching of Jesus open our eyes and give us new sight? Does our prayer help us to see more clearly especially in times of difficulty through our friendship with Christ? Are we willing to bring others to new sight through Christ?

Remember, there will also be reconciliation on Good Friday after services and at the regular time on Saturdays.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

One of the great devotions of the church with a particular connection to Lent is the Stations of the Cross. We will leave a number of stations booklets in the vestibule of the church for your use when you come to make a visit. Please return the booklet to the vestibule after you are done using it.

OOPS!

We had hoped to have the renovation proposal ready for the congregation for the weekend of April 1st and 2nd. We realize now that we would be rushing to make that happen so we will reschedule the presentation of the proposal until the weekend of April 22 and 23rd. It is better to give ourselves the time that we need rather than rush and then try to tie up loose ends afterwards. The three- week delay is in part due to Palm Sunday and Easter which would not be ideal days on which to have this event.

MISSING ENVELOPE NAMES

If you use envelopes 130, 140, 308, 958, 805, 958, 1010 or 1018 - please call the parish office.

THE CALL FOR CONSCIENCE

Even those with grave reservations about the morality of "medical aid in dying" will in this province be required to make referrals to others who will participate. The federal legislation gave protection to those who in conscience cannot participate. Bill 84 (Medical Assistance in Dying Statute Law Amendment Act) which is now before the provincial legislature will not provide conscience protection for medical personnel.

Your provincial member of parliament should be contacted. For the majority of those who attend Our Lady of Grace that would be Chris Ballard. His office is at 238 Wellington St. E., Aurora, L4G 1J5. He can be reached by email at cballard.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org or his office can be reached by phone at 905-750-0019. You may also go to the website for the Call for Conscience Campaign and express your concern on-line.

RECONCILIATION DAY IN THE PARISH



We will have confession with visiting priests on Thursday April 6th beginning at 7 p.m. We encourage as many as possible to make that their time for

reconciliation in the lead up to Easter. We are from week to week sharing with you reflections on the Sunday Gospel with an examination of conscience included. You will find this elsewhere in the bulletin.

WELCOMING ARMS TOILETRY DRIVE AT EASTER

Welcoming Arms is an ecumenical support system

for the poor of our community. They can help families by giving them gift cards for groceries. To avoid having the bulk of the gift card being used to buy toiletries they keep these items on hand and assist the families by giving them toiletries directly.

We will have a toiletry drive for Easter and during Holy Week. Just place your donations at the back of the church. What is needed? Shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, Kleenex, diapers in sizes 4, 5 and pull ups. Some cleaning items can be helpful too, like dish and

laundry detergent. Thank you for your support.