

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

February 13th - February 18th, 2017

Mon. Feb. 13th	8am +Rafael David
Tues. Feb. 14th	8am Catania Family Sp Int 7pm CWL and KofC
Wed. Feb. 15th	8am +Luigi & Anna Maria Pompilio 10am Willows Nursing Home
Thurs Feb. 16th	8am +Robert Reid 10am Chartwell Park Place 2:15pm Chartwell Aurora
Fri. Feb. 17th	8am +Jose Angel Meneses Gonzalez
Sat. Feb. 18th	9am +Ralph deWinter

RECEIPTS

2016 tax receipts were put in the mail earlier this week. Thank you to everyone who uses envelopes or pre-authorized giving to support the work of the parish

The process of collecting envelopes at the back worked surprisingly well. That is because everyone took the time to search the bundles with the elastic on and to return the bundle to its proper spot. Your carefulness is greatly appreciated.



THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League general member's meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 14th at 7:30 p.m. following the 7 p.m. mass downstairs in the large meeting room adjacent to the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend. Please bring a chocolate treat to share with the group and discover what the Catholic Women's League has planned for 2017!

The CWL executive team is looking for a new Secretary. If you would like to volunteer your time and be part of our executive, please contact caroline.berryman@outlook.com.

A BIG THANK YOU!

Over the last month we have had many more funerals than is usual. A word of thanks to the choir and servers who show up so faithfully for the funerals. Your ministry enhances significantly our celebrations at these difficult times for families in the parish.



Who: Grade 7's & 8's

Where: Our Lady of Grace Parish

What: EDGE is a youth ministry program designed to help youth learn more about their Catholic faith and develop a personal relationship with Christ. Come have fun, meet friends, and play games!
Grade 8's! Registration Forms can be filled out when you arrive!

EDGE SCHEDULE:

Feb. 25 - Journey to the Father
(March Break)

March 25 - Who is the Son of God?

April 8 - Time to Enter Holy Week

May 13 - The Spirit Rejoices!

May 27 - Year End Social

MEETING FOR USHERS/MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY/ MINISTERS OF WELCOME

We will be having a meeting for those who welcome, usher, assist with the collection and generally serve the community as ministers of welcome. This meeting will be on Wednesday February 15th at 7pm. We anticipate the folks from all five masses who are able will attend. We will review the specific tasks that go into fulfilling the ministry. Discuss any challenges that people are facing in this ministry.

We will discuss planning a morning with a health professional to review proper strategies when a health crisis arises.

Anyone who is not at present an usher but would like to be one is also encouraged to attend.

JOIN THE "CALL FOR CONSCIENCE"

In the coming weeks, members of Ontario's Provincial Parliament will review Bill 84 which deals with legal issues related to euthanasia/assisted suicide. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more, join the "Call for Conscience" and write directly to your elected MPP asking them to amend Bill 84 to add conscience protection.

TODAY IS MARRIAGE SUNDAY!

A MARRIAGE PRAYER

We thank you, O God, for the love You have implanted in our hearts. May it always inspire us to be kind in our words, considerate of feeling, and concerned for each other's needs and wishes. Help us to be understanding and forgiving of human weaknesses and failings. Increase our faith and trust in You and may your prudence guide our life and love. Bless our marriage O God, with peace and happiness, and make our love fruitful for your glory and our joy both here and in eternity.

AMEN

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND!

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. **Upcoming Weekend: March 17-19, 2017 Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at (905) 792-1925.**

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS

SATURDAY • MARCH 4, 2017 • 9:00AM - 5:30PM

Metro Toronto Convention Centre •

North Building 255 Front Street W

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Mass: Cardinal Thomas Collins

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Adult Rally \$25 | Youth Rally \$15



Pre-Lenten Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by the
Aurora Knights of Columbus

Sunday, February 26th

After the 8:15 am, 10 am
and 12 noon Masses

In the Parish Hall

\$5 per person, \$2 for children under 12

Pancakes, syrup, sausages and mixed fruit

Coffee, tea and juice

Proceeds to Sharelife & the Special Olympics

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer this year is on March 3rd at 7:30pm at Trinity Anglican Church. We would welcome any woman in the parish who is willing to sit on the planning committee, which will meet on Friday February 17th at 10am at Trinity Anglican Church. If you can represent the parish on this committee call the office and leave your name and contact information. We do not have that many opportunities in Aurora to gather in prayer as the full Christian Church, so it is important that we accept those that arise.



LENTEN REFLECTION: FR. JACQUES PHILIPPE

Fr. Jacques Philippe is a world-renowned spiritual leader and author. Fr. Jacques will be preaching two Lenten Reflections at St. Mark's Church in Stouffville. His books will also be available for purchase.

St. Mark's Church, 345 Glad Park Ave., Stouffville

March 1, 2017 Ash Wednesday

Mass: 7 pm to 7:45 pm

Reflection: 8:15 pm to 9 pm

Theme: Personal Prayer Life and Deep Relationship with God

March 2, 2017 Thursday

Mass: 7 pm to 7:30 pm

Reflection: 8 pm to 8:45 pm

Theme: The Way of Trust and Love According to St. Therese

Ticket—\$10.00 for both days

E-mail: susling2000@yahoo.ca

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