



Mass Intentions

April 30th - May 5th, 2018

Mon. April 30 th	8am	+Ofelia Ocampo
Tues. May 1 st	8am	+Elmer & Lucille Lanthier
Wed. May 2 nd	8am	+Marie Flynn
Thurs. May 3 rd	8am	+David Boccia
Fri. May 4 th	8am	+Jim Lynch
	7pm	+Cruzito Viegas
Sat. May 5 th	9am	+Michael Doyle,+ Phan Vinh, +Joseph Wanigaratne, Teresa, Kevin & Kiera Harrigan - spec.int. Ellen Harrigan - spec.int.

EDGE & LIFE TEEN

EDGE will meet next on Friday, May 4th from 6:30 - 8pm in Lynett Hall.

Life Teen will meet on Monday, May 7th at 6:30pm in Lynett Hall.

EDGE CAMP REGISTRATION

EDGE camp will take place from August 22-26, 2018 at Camp White Pine. Participating EDGE children have booking priority as the number of spots is limited. For more info please speak to Fr. Marijan or email: muriel.brennan7@hotmail.com

SEEING WITH HEART - DAY OF REFLECTION

For Catholic parents of lesbian daughters and gay sons. Saturday, June 2nd from 9am to 5pm, \$40.00 (includes lunch). To be held at the Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering.

For a brochure and information on how to register call John Montague 416-523-6449.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

This Friday, May 4th we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 12 noon until 7pm. As this Friday is also the Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations, our parish intention will be to pray for all vocations. Mass will be celebrated at 7pm.

SHARELIFE

To date we have raised \$74,565.00 which is 52% of our goal

LIVING THE GOSPEL BY HELPING NEWCOMERS TO CANADA

Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He was not who he seemed; she endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Crosscultural Services.

Staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife.

Our goal at Our Lady of Grace this year is \$143,000

Other Ways to Donate to ShareLife

You can make a one-time donation or arrange for monthly gifts, which can be automatically charged to your credit card.

You can also choose to have your online contribution attributed to the overall results for the ShareLife Campaign in our parish.

For more information please go to www.sharelife.org

PRAYER VIGIL

There will be a prayer vigil for vocations on Friday May 11th from 6pm to midnight at St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough, just west of the intersection of Brimley Rd. and Kingston Rd.

CLASSROOM VISITS

Once again the pastoral team will be out visiting the children in our schools in May. The reading from the teachings of Jesus will be John 6, 47-51; The Bread of Life.

This is the last visit for this school year. June is way too hard to organize with the many activities that are afoot. We will be back next year to talk about the miracles of Jesus.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA

The Catholic Women's League will host a Mother's Day Tea in Lynett Hall on Saturday, May 5th from 1pm - 3pm.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. All proceeds will benefit Southlake Hospital Hospice Care.

This event includes assorted sandwiches, squares, scones and tea, as well as a raffle draw and entertainment. Tickets will be on sale after all masses this weekend. All are welcome to attend this event.

A FAMILY IN NEED

We have a family in the parish, a mother with three growing children, that is relocating to Kitchener at the end of June who will need a refrigerator, stove, washer and dryer.

They would like to secure these items before they move. They can arrange for the move of these things to Kitchener. They are not in need of other items.

If you have any of these items in good to excellent working order that you are giving up because you are remodeling or they have become excess in your home please call the parish and leave your contact information. Please remember that there is a special place in purgatory for those who give their appliances that are on their last leg to the poor.

CLASSROOM VISITORS

It is not too soon to send out word that we will be in need of classroom visitors for next year. Both priests, Deacon Pat and Sandra all do a good number of classes, but in the coming year we will not have Eduardo to help so we will be looking for a volunteer or volunteers to help with this useful program.

Who are we looking for? Retired teachers who have a hankering to have a monthly excursion to visit a set number of classrooms are very good. Aspiring teachers are also good, but may end up getting a job and leave mid year, but still we would be happy to give them this experience. The real key is a love for the gospels and sharing the gospels with children from grade one to eight. Leave your contact information at the office.

CAN CATHOLICS DO THAT? PUBLIC CEMETERIES

Every so often we are asked if a Catholic can be buried in a public cemetery. We have a great network of Catholic cemeteries, the closest being Holy Cross at Yonge just below the 407. There is also a Catholic cemetery in Newmarket which is associated with St. John's Parish.

The question is can a Catholic be buried in a public cemetery to which the answer is yes, of course. It is not untoward or wrong in any way to be buried at the Aurora Public Cemetery.

This idea may be followed with the question, but it is not consecrated ground. Actually, when a burial takes place the priest or deacon doing the interment does bless the ground with prayer and holy water where the deceased will be buried.

If the burial is in Aurora Cemetery there will not be an annual mass or many of the symbols connected to faith that we find in a Catholic cemetery. The symbols of faith will need to be on your own grave marker or monument.

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION

Next week we have the collection for the Pope's pastoral works. This is an ancient collection was originally called Peter's Pence was first taken up in 1031. The collection is to provide the Holy Father with funds to respond to tragedies and crises in the world. Place your envelope on with your regular collection.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT



Thank you to everyone who assisted with the confirmation retreat last weekend. Though there was originally supposed to

be two until the bad weather caused the cancellation of the first one, the amalgamated retreat was a great success.

A particular thank you to the young people who participated so well and the team under Sandra's leadership who put together such an excellent day. Confirmations will take place at the end of May.