

First Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions



for the Week

March 11th - March 16th

Mon. March 11 th	8am	+Anne Beam
Tues. March 12 th	8am	+Grace Wilson
Wed. March 13 th	8am	+Marina Funtera
Thurs. March 14 th	8am	+Gerry McDonald
Fri. March 15 th	8am	+Isabel McParland
	7pm	+Filomena Petricca
Sat. March 16 th	9am	+Regina Sim

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION



On Wednesday, March 13th from 7 - 8:30 pm we will have an Evening of Reflection and Prayer led by Joe Egan. His topic will be "The Challenge and Gift of Forgiveness".

Joe Egan, a member of L'Arche for 45 years, has been the leader of L'Arche Daybreak in Richmond Hill and vice-coordinator of L'Arche International.

Joe brings a rich human dimension to his reflections on the Gospel.

EDGE

The next meeting for the EDGE youth group (grades 6-8) will be on Friday, March 22nd at 6:30pm to 8pm in Lynett Hall.

LIFE TEEN

The next meeting of Life Teen will be on Monday, March 25th at 6:30pm in Lynett Hall.

We had a lot of fun, tasty food and good company last Monday night at the dinner dance!

Thank you to all who came, who volunteered, cooked, donated gift cards for the raffle and sweets, and especially thank you to the three siblings who taught us how to dance the cha-cha-cha, a ballroom dance.

BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible study, which could be experienced as a spiritual retreat, entitled "No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion" will begin on Tuesday, March 19th focusing on the Passion of Christ and ending on Tuesday, April 23rd with the Resurrection.

Sign-up sheets will be at the doors. Feel free to sign-up even if you might miss a few sessions. For more information call the office at 905-727-4594 or email biblestudyolq@gmail.com

Program materials will cost \$40.00 (cash or cheque) and are available this weekend in the foyer by the office.

THE COME AND SEE WEEKEND

March 15-17, 2019 at St. Augustine's Seminary.

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ.

For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org
Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & FRIDAY NIGHT MASS

Once again this Lent, there will be a 7pm mass every Friday followed by the stations of the cross.

We thank the groups that have already come forward to lead the stations: Knights of Columbus, Friday, March 8th, The Catholic Women's League, Friday, March 15th, Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers, Friday, March 22nd, Becoming Catholic Group, Friday, March 29th, Edge & Life Teen, Friday, April 5th, Prayer Group, Friday, April 12th.

ROUTES

Routes is a service here in York region for those who have difficulty getting around. The transportation is focused mainly on those who are dealing with life challenges. For more information call 905-722-4616



ShareLife

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Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community.

For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!"

— Cardinal Thomas Collins

ShareLife Sunday is March 31st

Please give generously

SETTING OUR SHARELIFE GOAL

Last year our Sharelife goal was \$143,000. We have increased our goal for this year to \$146,000 .

Even with our other commitments to the renovation of our church we should be able to meet this goal. It is not a surprise to anyone that even as we meet the great challenges of our own parish we need to look further afield to see those who are in need and to be in solidarity with the church as it creates the structure to support the life of the church and its mission to care for those that may seem to be on the fringe of society.

THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you for the excellent pancake breakfast last weekend. Thank you to the many men who showed us their cooking skills.

Men interested in the Knights of Columbus can contact the grand knight, John Lyn at john@kofcaurora.ca

YOUNG ADULTS

Once again this year the Knights have a mission trip to the Diocese of MacKenzie-Fort Smith in the North West Territories. The trip will take place in mid July. For more info contact Sarah Rodrigues at 416-599-7676.

WE ARE MOVING FORWARD

If you have the chance to slow down when driving by you can now see how the construction is taking shape.

The elevator silo is now obvious and the footprint of the front of the church with the extension. As spring begins to creep up on us, there should be much more activity in the weeks ahead.

Thank you to everyone who has recently given in their support for the parish renovation program.

THANK YOU

We had four confirmations masses last weekend and confirmed 205 young people. Thank you to the parish staff, musicians and interested parishioners who made this very big undertaking come off without a hitch.

Teachers from some of the schools fulfilled liturgical ministries and everyone worked very well together to make the weekend a success. Thank you to all.

COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to the Sarracini Family who have volunteered to host our parish coffee morning this Sunday after the 10am mass. Just speak to Sandra or email the office if you can help at a mass in the future.

Next Sunday, March 17th coffee morning will be hosted by the Our Lady of Grace Prayer Group.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League will be having a general member's meeting on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in the library at St. Jerome Catholic Elementary School located at 20 Bridgenorth Drive in Aurora.

At this meeting we will be discussing disbursement of our Christmas Fair funds to local charities and planning for our annual Mother's Day Tea. All ladies in the parish are invited to attend.