3rd Sunday of Easter

Nothing good ever seems to happen at night in the Gospel of John, and today's reading is no exception. On this Third Sunday of Easter, fish can only be caught – and truth can only emerge – at daybreak or, in this case, when Jesus shows up on the shore and starts a charcoal fire to cook the fish.

After slinking back to their old workplace, stripping off and heaving the boat into the water, the apostles were astounded when Jesus showed up for breakfast. I wonder what Peter thought when he saw Jesus on the shore – in his surprise he put his clothes back on before he jumped into the water!

Read this story carefully: Peter and Jesus seem to have some time alone before the others join them. I wonder what they spoke of. How did Peter feel, facing Jesus again after having denied him a few night previous? During this third visit, Jesus asks Peter three times "Do you love me?" and Peter answers three times. Is the number three used just to even out the score from Peter's denial at that other charcoal fire, under the cover of darkness? Or perhaps, during that Easter season and this one, Jesus means to call Peter and all of us into a trinitarian perfection of that love.

(Reflection of Maureen Wicken, from Living with Christ)



Tiny Shroud Ministry

We have started this wonderful ministry of knitting tiny blankets/shrouds and bonnets that will be provided to hospitals to wrap newborn babies who pass soon after birth or who are stillborn. They are knitted with prayers and are of great comfort to parents in their time of need. Patterns available and can be done at home. For more information, contact Margaret at: 416-857-6220 (TinyShroudMinistry@gmail.com). Please keep our efforts in your prayers!

ShareLife

The second ShareLife Sunday collection is next Sunday, **April 17**th. Please give generously to this annual Archdiocesan appeal.



Saturday, April 9th, 2016

4:30 p.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Sunday, April 10th, 2016

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving – Raul Boquerin

9:30 a.m. + Tekla & Frank Ramski

11:00 a.m. + Pietro Mazzitelli

Monday, April 11th, 2016

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Meschino

and Citrullo Families

Tuesday, April 12th, 2016

8:30 a.m. The Protection of Unborn Children

Wednesday, April 13th, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Francis Co Kim

Thursday, April 14th, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Margaret Fonseca

Friday, April 15th, 2016

8:30 a.m. + Josephine Renda

Lectio Divina and Gospel Study

Sr. Eva Janning, CPS will continue to facilitate prayer and study based on the gospel of St. John, Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall, until April 27. Everyone is welcome for part or all of the sessions. No registration required.

Alpha

Alpha is a series of interactive conversations about faith in a friendly and informal environment. Come out for dinner, a talk, and small group discussion about life's big questions and the message of Christianity. Alpha will run Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm starting on April 4th. There is no charge, and childcare is provided (please register for childcare). Contact Josh at jcanning@alphacanada.org, 647-468-1195 to register.

WEEK 2 TOPIC: Jesus: Who Is Jesus?

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, at the Easter celebrations, I was pleased to baptize and receive into the Roman Catholic Church a number of people who were part of the R.C.I.A program this past year. I also wish to thank Sr. Eva Janning, CPS, Sr. Ursula, CPS, and the R.C.I.A. team and sponsors for their great devotion and support to the men and women who were part of this year's program.

I congratulate the following people who became Catholic at Easter:

Emily Hsiang-chi Cheng
Ying Shan Michelle Guan
Adam William Kinaschuk
Gina Ing
Johnson Wai Yuen Lai & son, Michael
Ngalula Prunette Tshiswaka-Williams
Somayeh Samin Iranshenas
Melissa Jean Tomson
Elmé Gerda Schmid
King Fai Derek Tang & child Eugenio Luis
Rosita Onitiana Kouwenaar
Arinoro Niall Kouwenaar Farrell
Quinn Mahiratra Kouwenaar Farrell
Keenan Miha Ja Kouwenaar Farrell
Mirana Grace Farrell

May God Bless all the new Catholic members of our community.

Fr. Pat

Confirmation

The Sacrament of confirmation will be celebrated at St. Edward's Parish on Saturday, April 30th at 11:00 a.m. and on Sunday, May 1st at 2:00 p.m. The students who have registered for the Sacrament, and who have been spiritually prepared this past year, are asked to arrive at the parish hall <u>one hour</u> before Mass, along with their sponsors. Parents and other guests should proceed directly to the Church as the hall is reserved only for students and sponsors prior to the Mass.

Summer Camp

St. Edward's will host Totus Tuus this summer! The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for <u>Totus Tuus</u> (Latin for Totally Yours) this summer from July 17 – 22, 2016. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesian program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of Our Lord, through catechetical instruction, Mass, confession, songs and games!

The grade school program, for children entering grades 1 - 6, runs Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7 – 12 runs Sunday – Thursday from 7- 9 p.m. during the week of July 17 - 22 (only). The Day Camp Registration Fee is \$75 per child for the entire week. The Evening Program Registration Fee is \$20 per youth for the entire program. More information about the program itself can be found at: www.totustuustoronto.ca. You may also contact Rosanna at: delgrosso@sympatico.ca

Children's Choir

A children's Choir is being introduced for the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. Rehearsals will be held, at least for now, on Saturdays, from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Clea Soare will direct the choir. For more information, or to contact Clea, email her at cleandcharlie@gmail.com

55+ Club Meetings

Persons, 55+ and older, are invited to come out each Wednesday afternoon, 1-3 p.m. in the parish hall. Activities vary each week.

Knitting Group

The Knitting Group is looking to duplicate their success of last year. They are in need of donations of wool to make warm items for those in need. For more information, contact Joyce at 416-590-0832.