# 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE HAVE ALL faced times when we have found it difficult to share our faith with others. We may be afraid of being criticized., teased or even losing our job. It is difficult to face these pressures and fears alone. The courage to face them comes only from trust in God's loving care.

In today's gospel, Jesus sends his disciples on a mission to proclaim his message publicly. He warns them that they will face opposition in the form of difficulties, but tells them not to be afraid. He asks them and us to trust in God's faithful care and attention. God watches over the sparrow, the cheapest life sold at the market. He has also counted the hairs of our head, knowing whether they are many or few. If he cares for even the smallest creatures in nature and the smallest details of our lives, he will certainly not abandon anyone who follows the way of Christ. He will give us the strength and courage to defend our faith in Jesus.

Jesus is present to us in a special way in this eucharistic celebration. Let us ask him today for the strength and courage to give witness to our faith by our actions, our words and our choices, by the way we live our lives. (Reflection of Nada Mazzei. from Living with Christ)



Monday, June 26th, 2017 Multi-intention + Laura & Domenico Giordano 8:30 a.m. + Rosina Spinelli + Tom Barbarita + Tracy Dube + Margarita Sadwick + Morella Hernandez Tuesday, June 27th, 2017 Multi-intention + Annabel Marchildon 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 28th, 2017 8:30 a.m. + Katarina Kuralt Thursday, June 29th, 2017 **Special Intention of Juliana Yang** 8:30 a.m. Friday, June 30th, 2017 8:30 a.m. + Yip Mui Saturday, July 1st, 2017 4:30 p.m. + Pietro Mazzitelli Sunday, July 2nd, 2017 For All Souls in Purgatory 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. + Giuseppe Martino 11:00 a.m. + Purificacion Peredo

#### The 55+ Club

The last weekly meeting before breaking for summer will be this Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup>, with a Pot Luck Lunch at 12:00 noon in the parish hall. All are welcome. Dear Parishioners:

I was pleased to celebrate Mass this week at each of our parish schools, as well as Cardinal Carter Secondary School for the Arts, as we gave thanks to God for a successful school year. Graduations were also held during the week (Cardinal Carter students graduate this week). I thank all the teachers, principals, and staff of our parish schools for their dedicated service and hard work over the past year. I congratulate all our students and their families on their great achievements in education. I am sure all our graduates will do just fine as they prepare for their next steps in education. May the Holy Spirit guide them in all they do.

I have often talked about the wonderful relationship that exists between our parish and the schools. We have an amazing team of educators who meet often to discuss matters of mutual interest. This year we bid a fond farewell to Anne Bellissimo, the Principal of Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts School, who assumes a new position at the Ministry of Education; I invite your prayers for Anne as she embarks on this new adventure.

We have also been blessed this year to have a seminarian-intern, John Sutka, who has truly loved his experience with us this past year. John arrived in September, and will be with us a few more weeks. His internship concludes on the last weekend of July; then he takes the month of August for holidays. John will return to St. Augustine's Seminary, in September, to continue his discernment and studies. In due time, we shall be announcing details of a farewell event for him, which will be held on Sunday, July 30th.

John currently hosts the "Pivotal Players" series, on Monday nights, which highlights a specific figure in the history of Christianity. The first session was held this past Monday and there was a wonderful response. You will find a more detailed listing in this week's bulletin.

It is a pleasure to welcome another seminarian, Vang Tran, for the summer months (his second summer with us). Vang is studying for the Diocese of Hanoi (Vietnam) through St. Augustine's Seminary. He loves the parish and is also working on improving his English-speaking skills.

In conclusion, I draw your attention to two summer events for the Youth of the parish. We shall continue the EDGE program until mid-July, and then we shall have a week-long summer camp (Totus Tuus), July 24 - 28. The response last year was incredible and so I invite all parents, to consider sending their children. You will not be disappointed. I am very grateful for the hard work of Kimberly Go, our Youth Director, and the Team of youth and adults that assist her with these programs. It is wonderful to see such energy!

My best wishes and prayers as we conclude the school year, and please remember me, and the parish team, in your prayers.

God Bless.

Fr. Pat

#### **EDGE Youth Ministry**

All students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 are invited to our EDGE Social!

When? July 14, 2017 from 7:00-9:00pm Where? St. Edward's Church (Parish Hall)

What? Join us for our EDGE Social in celebration of the end of the school year where there will be lots of fun games and amazing prizes, as well as BBQ fun in the sun! Come meet our EDGE Core Team and make new friends! Please bring an extra pair of clothes and a towel.

Questions or concerns? Contact our Youth Director, Kimberly Go, at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com. **RSVP would be greatly appreciated by Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.** 

#### **Pivotal Players**

A DVD presentation and discussion of key figures in the history of Christianity will be given in the parish hall on Mondays from 7:00 p. m. - 8:30 p.m.

Monday, June 26 – St. Catherine of Siena Monday, July 3 – No Presentation (Canada Day) Monday, July 10 – Michelangelo Monday, July 17 – G. K. Chesterton

This series will be led by seminarian John Sutka and is free and open to all. You may attend one or all of the series.

#### **Totus Tuus Summer Camp**

Registration for Totus Tuus (July 23-28, 2017) is now open! Totus Tuus is a unique and fun-filled program featuring a team of four college-age students who will engage our youth with a week-long program focusing on the Catholic faith. **Day Camp** (students entering grades 1-6) is Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch. Registration fee is \$75.00 per child. The Evening Program (students entering grades 7-12) is Sunday to Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$25.00 per person. Registration forms available on the table in the lobby.

For more information contact: Kimberly Go at: stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com or call St. Edward's Parish at 416-221-9131.

# **Student Office Workers**

The students who work in our office (weeknights and weekends) provide great assistance to our parish secretaries and to the parish community. We have two openings for

student office workers. Those wishing to apply may submit a brief resume to Fr. Pat at the parish office by July 9, 2017. Suggested age group: high school (age 16 and up) and those of university age. This is an opportunity to provide our youth with a service to our community with some remuneration.

#### Bundle Up for St. Vincent de Paul! <u>New date – July 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup></u>

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing; all seasons (men, women and children) to be given to those in need or to be sold to help support Special Works in the community. Please bring your donation on the weekend of July 8<sup>th</sup>/9th, to share with others in the community. A SVDP truck will be parked in the parking lot. Thank you for your continued support.

# Irish Summer Camp 2017

Children 5 and up are invited to an introduction to the traditions of Ireland...language, singing, dancing, music, crafts, football, etc., on July 3-8, 2017 at St. Edward the Confessor Church. The cost is \$ 125.00.

For more information or to register contact Maureen Mulvey-O'Leary at 416-446-6993.

#### Humanitarian Relief – Famine in Africa

The Archdiocese of Toronto joins the CCCB and faith communities across Canada in launching a joint appeal, entitled **Pray-Give-Speak Out**, in response to the desperate food crisis in South Sudan, Yemen, Nigeria and Somalia.

**Pray:** Keeping the people of South Sudan, Somalia, Nigeria and Yemen in our prayers.

**Give:** Making a financial contribution to support those affected by the crisis.

**Speak Out:** Becoming better informed and to speak about the crisis with family, friends and neighbours. Contacting their local Members of Parliament about their concerns.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: https://community.archtoronto.org
- By phone to Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish African Famine Humanitarian Relief

# **Student Painters**

We are looking at painting the parish hall (upstairs and downstairs) this summer. It was suggested to look at providing this project to young people who are generally free in the Summer months. Those interested, please contact Fr. Pat at the office or through the parish e-mail.

# **Notice**

Please note, during the months of July and August, we shall

publish only one bulletin per month (July  $2^{nd}$  and August  $6^{th}$ ). Weekly bulletins will resume on September  $3^{rd}$ . During the summer, flyers announcing special events or programs will be distributed after each Mass.

#### **Knitting Group**

The Knitting Group will resume in September.