### **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

#### Dear Parishioners:

I trust your summer is going well and providing you extra time for family, rest, or holidays. May your time away be restful and safe.

I will be attending the National Catholic Women's League Convention, August  $5^{th}-10^{th}$ , in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, so will be away the first weekend of August. As spiritual advisor for the Toronto Catholic Women's League, I shall be travelling with the Toronto delegation to the Convention. Please keep us all in your prayers.

During the month of August, we have a number of parish events which I would like to highlight.

Firstly, there will be an outdoor mass by the Grotto of Our Lady, on the Feast of the Assumption, Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. This will follow a Solemn Vespers in the Church at 7 p.m. If inclement weather, the Mass will be held in the church. All are welcome!

I also invite all parishioners to the annual Parish Picnic, Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, starting at 12:30 p.m., at St. Antoine-Daniel School, at Finch and Senlac Ave. There will be live music, plenty of food and events for the children. Please see the flyer in this week's bulletin. A great community event!

This past month (July) our parish hosted the "Totus Tuus" Summer Camp. Over 60 youth participated. My thanks to Kimberly Go, our Youth Director, and to all the volunteers who assisted her. As well, I thank the families who hosted the four young missionary students who ran the camp. It was a great success that helped our youth to make friends and to grow in faith. The children had great fun!

The last Sunday of July concluded the seminarianinternship of John Sutka who joined us last year. I thank John for his tremendous work with us over the past year. He is a fine young man and I am sure you will join me in wishing him well as he returns to St. Augustine's Seminary for his final two years of formation. As you know, John's father, Michael, has not been well, and so our prayers and thoughts are with him and his family. I thank the Social Committee, the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus for putting on a great event for John on his last Sunday (the "baseball" themed party was a great hit).

Finally, a brief update on our construction. While the main asphalt and curbing work has been completed, we are still awaiting the installation of our new LED light poles around the property. We shall also upgrade the Irrigation System, as well as providing greater accessibility for seniors and those with special needs. We hope to complete this work by

September. Thank you to all for your generous support, patience, and for your positive comments and encouragement. We have done a lot of work to date!

I conclude, wishing you continued blessings for a safe and happy summer. Let us pray for one another.

Fr. Pat

# **Catholic Missions in Canada**

There will be a second collection next weekend **August 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>**, for the Archdiocese of Toronto Canadian Missions Shared Collection. This shared collection will benefit **Catholic Missions in Canada** and the **Archdiocese of Toronto's Canadian Mission partners**, the dioceses of Grouard-Mclennan in Northern Alberta and MacKenzie-Fort Smith in Northwest Territories.

Catholic Missions in Canada provides over \$3 Million in financial support to missionaries working in 24 Mission Dioceses in Canada: support of missionaries (\$2 million); religious education (\$1 million); repair & maintenance of churches (550,000). www.cmic.info.

# **Annual Mission Appeal**

The Annual Mission Appeal will be held the weekend of August 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Robert Nicholas will be our speaker.

## ShareLife

Thank you to all who contributed to the annual ShareLife appeal this year. We surpassed the goal set by the Archdiocese for our parish. The total collected was \$112,159.00. In addition, one parishioner donated a one-time gift of \$50,000 to ShareLife. Thank you to all parishioners for your generosity to those most in need.

# **Pre-Marriage Course**

St. Edward's will host a pre-marriage course in the parish hall on the following dates:

Tuesdays 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
October 17, 24, 31
November 7, 14
Saturday, November 4 at 9:45 AM – 3:00 PM
All Sessions Required
\$ 150.00 per couple

Registration forms are available online at www.stedward.ca or in the parish office.



# St. Edward's Knights of Columbus

The monthly meetings for the parish council of the Knights of Columbus will be held the <u>second</u> Thursday of each month in the parish hall at 7 p.m. Our next meeting is Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **Communion Ministers**

There are more openings for those who might wish to be trained as Eucharistic Ministers for our Sunday Masses, especially the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Training provided. Please contact Yolanda Chin at y\_chin@rogers.com or Fr. Pat at the office.

# Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine Saturday, September 9, 2017

All are welcome to join Cardinal Thomas Collins for an Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Martyrs's Shrine in celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our archdiocese.

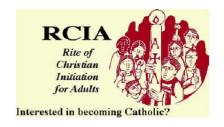
Our parish will co-join with Blessed Sacrament parish on a bus trip to Martyrs' Shrine on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Several activities are planned, including a Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins. Cost: \$30. Details may be found on the bulletin board. **Please note**: Your seat on the bus will be confirmed once payment is received.



# **EDGE Youth Ministry**

EDGE returns to St. Edward's Parish in September! When? Friday, September 22 from 7:00-9:00pm Where? St. Edward's Parish Hall

All students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited! Stay tuned for more announcements in the coming weeks. In the meantime, our youth ministry would like to wish everyone a safe and wonderful summer



# R.C.I.A.: For those wishing to be Catholic

The course for those wishing to become Catholic will begin on Wednesday, Sept.  $20^{th}$  from 7-9 p.m. Persons interested should register by attending an "Information Session", to be held on:

Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – after 11:00 a.m Mass Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> – after 4:30 p.m. Mass

For more information, contact Sr. Eva at 647-542-3309, email: eajanning@gmail.com

# St. Edward's Children's Liturgy 2017-2018

Children's Liturgy is looking for some energetic, dedicated **youth volunteers and teachers** for the upcoming school year. Teachers (min. 18 years of age) will lead a group of children through the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Volunteers should be available to teach from September 2017 to June 2018. Teaching materials and lesson plans will be made available for each session. Youth volunteers (Grade 9 and up) are also needed to help assist teachers with the program. A great way to complete require volunteer hours!

Please contact Martin (martin.c.yeung@gmail.com) or Melissa (Melissa\_shek@yahoo.ca) for an orientation and for registration.

### **Senior Residence Masses in August 2017**

Friday, August  $11^{th}$  – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m. Friday, August  $11^{th}$  – Lansing – 2:20 p.m. Wednesday, August  $16^{th}$  – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

### 55 + Club

The 55+ Club will resume regular weekly meetings on Wednesday afternoons, 1-3 p.m. in the parish hall, commencing Wednesday, September  $6^{th}$ . New members always welcome.

### **Mass Intentions**

Due to only one bulletin during the month of August, all Mass intentions will be posted weekly on the parish bulletin board and announced at Mass.