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PASTOR: Fr. Vito Marziliano

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must contact the Pastor one year in advance.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

St. Patrick's (905) 794-0411 Holy Spirit (905) 794-8039 Francis McSpiritt (905) 794-5031 Our Lady of Lourdes (905) 913-1703 St. André Bessette (905) 913-2567

SECONDARY SCHOOL:

Cardinal Ambrozic (905) 913-2989

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. English 8:30 a.m. English 10:00 a.m. English 11:30 a.m. Italian 1:00 p.m. English 7:30 p.m. English

WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Anytime



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Finance Council, Ministers of the Eucharist,
Lectors, Altar Servers, Seniors Group,
Seniors Group - meets Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.,
Catholic Women's League - 1st Monday of the month,
Knights of Columbus - 3rd Thursday of the month,
Prayer Group - Wednesday 7:30 p.m.,
Choirs - English: Tuesday 8:00 p.m. - Italian: Thursday 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, February 8, 2020

8:30 am For the sick in the parish

12:00 pm **WEDDING**

John Robert Petrella & Alicia Rose Rizza

5:00 pm Giuseppe Caruso

Sunday, February 9, 2020

8:30 am Orlando Infusino

10:00 am Angelo & Pasqualina Maugeri

Domenico & Maria Stella Albanese Giuseppe Maugeri & Caterina Fonte

11:30 am Giacomo Sestito

Costantino & Tony Testani

Asilio Sibbio

Bianca & Elvira Ristagno

1:00 pm Maria Helena Melo
7:30 pm For all the people

Monday, February 10, 2020

8:30 am Gaetano Cappuccitti

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 - Our Lady of Lourdes

(World Day of Prayer for the Sick)

8:00 am Mass at Cardinal Ambrozic High School

1:00 pm For the sick in the community

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

8:30 am Francesco & Teresa Anaclerio

Thursday, February 13, 2020 8:30 am Maria Liotta

7:00 pm Raffaele Suppa (1 month memorial)

Friday, February 14, 2020

8:30 am For young couples celebrating their marriage

in our parish in 2020

Saturday, February 15, 2020

8:30 am For the building of our new church
10:00 am MASS WITH ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

5:00 pm Vito Narucci **Sunday, February 16, 2020**

8:30 am Antonio & Maria Valerio

10:00 am Humberto & Manuel Benevides

Pasquale & Gisella Attanasio

Roberto & Genoveffa Altobelli

11:30 am Giacomo Sestito

1:00 pm For the sick in the parish

7:30 pm For all the people



BOXES OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES FOR 2020

We thank parishioners who have picked up their envelope boxes for the year 2020. Please note that there are still 140 boxes of envelopes unclaimed. PLEASE DO NOT USE REMAINING ENVELOPES FROM LAST YEAR. Boxes that remain unclaimed by the end of February will be assigned to new families arriving in the parish. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. VITO Greetings parishioners and dear friends

of St. Patrick's Church - Wildfield





In a few weeks, on Ash Wednesday, February 26, we begin the Holy Season of Lent. In these remaining days leading to this Sacred Time of the year, it would be very beneficial for us as a community of faith, and

for each individual and family, to reflect on "how can these days of Lent help us make a difference in our lives and in the lives of many". As a family, as individuals, what can we do? There are three elements that characterize this holy season: prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

PRAYER: Can we devote more time in this precious practice? Perhaps alone or as a family? Reading the Word of God. Reciting the Rosary (or at least a small part of it; a decade). Preparing for Sunday Mass by reading the readings ahead of time. A short but prayerful visit to the church during the day or early evening when coming back from work. Taking some time as a community, or personally, to pray the Stations of the Cross (Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in Italian and Fridays after the 8:30 am English Mass). Attending Sunday Mass as a family.

FASTING: Refrain from some favourite food that we take for granted, on some occasions, so that we can appreciate more what the precious gift from God is all about. Refrain from doing what is not beneficial for us, for others, especially for the family. Spending less time on social media and use that time to do good for family and others.

ALMSGIVING: Reach out to those in need. Answer the call of different charitable organizations. Reflect on how you can help **Sharelife** this year. Make it a truly **sacrificial offering.** Give the gift of **time** to someone in need of a friendly visit, a phone call....Give, as God gives to us.

Have a joyful preparation to Lent, and a Most Holy Season of Lent.

> With prayerful best wishes, Fr. Vito

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

This week, on Tuesday, February 11, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, and the World Day of Prayer for the Sick. As is our custom, next SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 at 10 am, we will celebrate Mass, accompanied by the Sacrament of the ANNOINTING OF THE SICK. Please let others know, and if possible, accompany those who are sick to the celebration. If you know of someone who is ill and is not anywhere close by, please come and pray for them.



WHEN I WAS ILL

OLD BLESSED BRANCHES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS NEEDED TO PREPARE ASHES FOR THE BEGINNING OF LENT

On Ash Wednesday, February 26, we begin the Season of LENT marked by the sign of the ASHES on our forehead. These Ashes are made by burning blessed palm branches from previous years. If you wish to bring back palm or olive branches from previous years, you may deposit them in the appropriate box placed at the entrance to the church. We will accept your palm branches only up to and including Sunday, February 23.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES AT ST. PATRICK'S February 26, 2020



8:30 AM **English** 1:00 pm Italian

2:15 pm At our nursing home

7:30 pm **English**

FAMILY DAY AT ST. PATRICK'S



On Monday, February 17, we celebrate Family Day. At 1:00 pm that afternoon, we will meet for pizza and a movie in the church

hall. Please bring the children on time (all are welcome), so that we may serve the pizza and watch the movie.



BAPTIZED & WELCOMED INTO OUR FAMILY OF FAITH LAST SUNDAY

Amanda Giorgio Alyssa Crocco

Marriage Sunday February 8 & 9, 2020

Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America. The Celebration of Marriage Mass will take place today, Sunday, February 9, 2020 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Avenue, Pickering) at 3:00 pm. Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside over this special Mass where all are welcome to attend and married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows.

ST. PATRICK YOUTH MINISTRY



Steubenville Toronto July 3 - 5, 2020. Registration is now open for students STEUBENVILLE currently in Grades 8 - 12. To reserve TORONTO your spot, please complete the pre-registration form at:

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THE LIGHT OF STEWARDSHIP

St. Teresa of Avila is famously quoted for saying, "from sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us." She believes that Christians who are on fire for their faith shouldn't be downcast but instead be joyful stewards of

Christ. In today's Gospel, Jesus says "let your light shine before human beings so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Matt 5:16).

Jesus challenges us to let our light shine brightly. We must not be stewards with gloomy and sour faces, but ones that shine with the peace and joy of knowing we are beloved children of God. Pope Francis says that "we need smiling Christians, not because they take things lightly, but because they are filled with the joy of God, because they believe in love and live to serve."

When people see us, they should be able to see the love and iov that emanates not from us, but from God dwelling within us. As stewards, we should fight the temptation to become complacent or robotic in our good works, doing them as if we're on autopilot. Instead, we should strive to be intentionally joyful and light-hearted as we serve Christ and His Church. Let us ask ourselves today, does our demeanour as stewards showcase the reality of God's transforming love to others? Does our light truly shine forth as a witness to the world?

> For more reflections on stewardship, visit www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

AN INVITATION TO PARISHIONERS TO JOIN THE GROUPS MINISTERING IN THE PARISH

Do you wish to find out how you can get involved? What difference you can make, not only to parish life, but also to yourself? Ask how you can help? Call us. Email us. Write a note and place it in the Sunday offering basket.

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