



Fourth Sunday of Lent
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- **Jesus in Jerusalem:** explore Jesus' journey to this holy city
Wednesdays of Lent, 7:30 pm
- **Christianity 101:** a look at what we believe and why we believe it
Thursdays of Lent, 7:30 pm
- **Pray the Way of the Cross:**
Fridays of Lent, 7:30 pm
- **Adoration & Evening Prayer:**
quiet time to reflect and pray
Sundays of Lent, 2-5 pm
- **Parish Reconciliation Liturgy:**
Celebrate God's mercy and forgiveness
Tuesday April 12, 7:30 pm

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

Please continue to pray for the safe arrival of the Tobbya Family. They are still in Syria awaiting their emigration visas. Two weeks ago they were told that this process could take up to a month. There is a heightened anxiety right now for all of us due to the unrest in Syria.

Compassionate God, make your loving presence felt to refugees, torn from home, family and everything familiar. Warm especially the hearts of the young, the old, and the most vulnerable among them. Help them know that you accompany

them as you accompanied Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in their exile to Egypt. Lead refugees to a new home and a new hope, as you led the Holy Family to their new home in Nazareth. Open our hearts to receive them as our sisters and brothers in whose face we see your son, Jesus. We ask you to protect in a special way the Tobbya Family: Bashar and Raya and their children, Karam and Kati. Bring them to us safely and bless our efforts in making a loving home for them here among us. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING

All those who generously give their time to the ministries in our parish must participate in volunteer screening, a process that aims to create and maintain a safe environment for both those who are volunteering and those to whom we minister. Screening supports volunteers, preserves their safety, integrity and reputation and ensures that we fulfill our duty and obligations as a faith and caring community.

In 1999, the Ontario Government established screening guidelines to protect those who are vulnerable among us. The Province invited all Church groups, sports groups and other community organizations to participate. In response, in 2001 the Archdiocese of Toronto introduced the volunteer



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screening program in which all parishes must participate. The screening process does not take much time. Pavla Urbanek, our parish screening coordinator, may ask you to complete a form/and or participate in an interview depending on the nature of the ministry. Your cooperation in building a safe and caring community is appreciated.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Canadian Food for Children

Bring a donation of dried pasta to church next weekend to support the work of Dr. Simone.

COMMUNITY LIFE

CWL General Meeting

Monday, April 11, 7:30 pm

Come meet the new Council and be inspired by our guest speaker who will share her experience working with underprivileged girls in South Africa. Donations of toothpaste for women at the Good Shepherd Centre are welcome.

Tenebrae at St. Bonaventure

Monday, April 11, 7:30 pm

St. Michael's Choir School Alumni will perform this beautiful musical representation of the passion of Holy Week written by Monsignor John

Edward Ronan, principal founder of the Choir School. All are welcome. No tickets necessary. smcsalumni.com

A Woman's Celebration of Spring

Sunday, May 15, 11:30 am, \$35

The CWL invite all women of the parish to a delicious spring brunch at the Donalda Club. Tickets will be on sale after all masses from April 30 to May 8. The Donalda Club is just a short drive from our parish and is wheelchair accessible.

Prayer Requests

Call Moira McKeown, 416.445.8494. or Friar Boniface, 416.447.5571, for private prayer

Federal Election 2011 Guide

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

This guide developed by the Commission for Justice and Peace invites Catholics to vote with discernment. It provides some basic principles from Catholic moral and social teaching to help voters analyse and evaluate public policies and programs. The document focuses especially on respect for life and the dignity of the human person, social justice, the family, world peace and the environment. The guide is available on our website.

Radio Maria Presents a Lenten Companion

Bishop Boissonneau, Bishop Hundt, the Sisters of Life and priests from across the GTA reflect upon the Stations of the Cross accompanied by pianist Philip Carty. www.hmwn.net

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LITURGY		THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH		COMMUNITY LIFE	
9:00 am	† Elisabeth Stracey	Monday April 4			
9:00 am	† Douglas Thompson	Tuesday April 5	9:30 am 6:15 pm 7:30 p m 8:00 pm	Theology & Tea/Francis Room Sparks /Brownies/Francis Room Small Faith Group/ Bonaventure Room New Beginnings/ Francis Room	
9:00 am	† Josephine Covelli	Wednesday April 6	7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Seeking Jesus/Bonaventure Room Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room	
9:00 am	The Friars	Thursday April 7	6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Coffee House Practice/Main Hall Christianity 101/Francis Room	
9:00 am 7:30 pm	† Rupert Figueroa The Way of the Cross	Friday April 8			
9:00 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	† Edith Downey Reconciliation Parishioners	Saturday April 9	9:30 am 10:00 am	Christian Meditation/Oak Room Al-Anon/ Bonaventure Room	
8:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm 2:00 pm 4: 00 pm	† Hugh Canning † Jeffrey Lobo † Jose Santos Adoration Time Evening Prayer	Sunday April 10	11:00 am 2:00 pm	Sunday Coffee Hula Classes	

SANCTUARY LAMPS: † Mr. & Mrs. Calpen; Carols & Lucy Veneracion