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Fr. Michael Holmes

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#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am; 10:00am;

11:30am & 1:00pm

#### **WEEKEDAY MASSES**

Mon., Tues., Fri. 9:15am
Tues., Wed., Thurs. 7:00pm
Saturday & Holidays 9:00am
First Friday 7:00pm
Followed by HOLY HOUR

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## DEVOTIONS

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary Infant Jesus of Prague (Tuesday) Our Mother of Perpetual Help

(Wednesday)

Holy Spirit (Thursday)
Divine Mercy (Friday)

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm Or by appointment

#### **BAPTISM**

Contact Parish Office 1 month in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is a prerequisite.

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament, please call the Parish Office.

# COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please notify the parish office.

#### **PARISH SCHOOLS**

 Prince of Peace
 416-393-5416

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 416-393-5372

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#### **CATHOLIC CEMETERY**

Christ the King 905-471-0121

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY - FRIDAY** 

9:00am - 12:00noon

1:00pm - 4:00pm

6:00pm - 9:00pm

SATURDAY: 10:00am - 6:00pm SUNDAY: 8:30am - 2:30pm

#### PARISH MINISTRIES / GROUPS

Adult Legion of Mary

Altar Servers

Altar Society

Bible Study

Children's Liturgy

Counter's Ministry

Eucharistic Minister to the Sick

Finance Committee

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647-234-0265



January 29 - February 4, 2018

#### Monday, January 29

9:15 am + Antonio Baldassini

#### Tuesday, January 30

9:15 am—Birthday blessings & healing for Reita Williams 7:00 pm + Wilfred Garth

#### Wednesday, January 31

7:00 pm + 1st year death anniversary of Pablo Aguilar: + Repose of Martin Celaire

Thursday, February 1 7:00 pm + 2nd year death anniversary of Jocelyn Ali

#### Friday, February 2

9:15 am - Healing for Linda Ohrstrum Coelho

#### Saturday, February 3

9:00 am + Joe Braganza 5:00 pm + Anna Mary Mendes

#### Sunday, February 4

8:30 am - Thanksgiving from Elizabeth Cruz 10:00 am + Rubin Lim Sr. 11:30 am - Thanksgiving Mass of gratitude for prayers answered 1:00 pm - Community of Prince of Peace



# Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.

#### 2018 SUNDAY ENVELOPES

Because we are updating our database, many parishioners will get a new envelope number. If you happen to take a box with your old number, please take time to check if the envelopes belongs to you. This will avoid putting your donation to another person.

If you have been paying attention to the readings since Epiphany, you may be over come with a sense of déjà vu. This weekend offers us passages about prophecy, preaching and hearing God's word.

This prompts us to look a little deeper into the effect of preaching God's word to others. Moses says that God will raise up a prophet and God will put the words that he is to proclaim into the prophet's mouth. This means that the prophet must first appropriate God's word personally to be able to share it with others.

We are reminded that the word of God is intended to change us, transform our minds and hearts and lives. That is the criterion for whether the Liturgy of the Word is being done well or not. If the assembly is not being transformed, slowly to be sure, but truly changed, then our efforts are useless. Before we try to evaluate the assembly's transformation, we ought to start with ourselves. Do we really expect to be changed in some way every time we come to worship? Are we open to whatever transformation God wants to create in us? What are the impediments that keep us from hearing God's word with truly open ears and open hearts?

Jesus reputation as a teacher grew through his teaching in Capernaum. He taught as someone learned. The crowd could not believe these words were coming from someone with his background. They expected simpler teaching, not the way, he addressed the crowd. Jesus words drew even more followers. His words and deeds have the power to change us too, if we are open to hearing his words in our heart.

Friday of this week is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord and Saturday is the memorial of St. Blaise. Presentation comes 40 days after Christmas, because Jewish law required the presentation of a firstborn son on that day. The feast is also called Candlemas Day. This stems from Simeon's words calling Jesus a light to the Gentiles and glory for Israel. Blessings of throat is associated with the memorial of St. Blaise.

Throughout his ministry, Jesus responded to and addressed the needs around him and we read and hear of his early teaching, confronting evil with authority through an exorcism. We recognize his profound actions as miracles. We also are called to respond to the needs around us with compassion. We rely on Jesus for the support we need to address what we see, including dark and difficult issues. Doing that is a miracle itself.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECRUITMENT DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus of our Parish will be conducting a Recruitment Drive on February 3rd and 4th. All Catholic gentlemen above the age of 18 years are encouraged to join the Knights of Columbus. We are the largest Service oriented Catholic Fraternity in the world. We need more dedicated men to be engaged in service to our Church and Community. You are invited to live your faith in action through service to those less fortunate. For more information please contact Gregory Saldanha (416) 335-4189.

#### Thank You For Your Generosity!

Last Sunday Collection: \$ 9,575.05

### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Friday, February 2, 2018 and in parishes on the weekend of January 27/28, 2018. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick on Sunday, January 28 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power Street, Toronto, to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

### CANADA SUMMER JOBS PRO-GRAM

The federal government has introduced new requirements for employers applying for the Canada Summer Jobs grant. To be eligible for funding, employers must attest that both the job and the organization's core mandate respect certain "values" as determined by the federal government including the government's position on abortion, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Organizations unable or unwilling to make this attestation in whole or in part will be deemed ineligible for the grant. This requirement is clearly unjust.

Many Catholic organizations through the Archdiocese of Toronto and many other faiths involved in charitable activity at soup kitchens, shelters, refugee welcome centres or summer camps are impacted by this decision. Please take a moment to visit www.archtoronto.org/summerjobs for more information and find a template letter to send to your MP and the minister responsible for this portfolio.

# WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND

This retreat is being held at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga, February 16-18 and is a beautiful way to begin the season of Lent. For information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

### SHARELIFE 2018-LET'S BE READY

Let's be ready and generous on Sharelife Sunday. Sharelife donations could be divided into three parts: April 2nd, May 7th, June 4th.

ShareLife is more than an annual appeal - it is the way that we bring the hands of Christ to those in need! One of the core directions of our Pastoral Plan in Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love, and our support for ShareLife helps to bring this to life, not only in our archdiocese, but also around the world.

Each year, thousands of people turn to a ShareLife agency for help. Our agencies provide service in an environment that is infused with Catholic values, bringing the Gospel message to the marginalized.

When we support ShareLife, we are making more than a financial contribution - we are demonstrating that the Catholic community is actively making a difference in the social service network in our archdiocese!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF SHARELIFE!

#### FAMILY OF FAITH—TAX RECEIPTS

The Family of Faith campaign will issue 2017 tax receipts for donations by the end of February 2018. Tax receipts will be issued for the value of gift amounts actually received in 2017, through Sunday, December 31, 2017. Please note that contributions sent by mail that were postmarked on or before December 31, 2017 are eligible for a 2017 receipt.

#### SILENT RETREAT AT MANRESA

Friday, February 16 to Sunday, February 18 from 7 pm to 1 pm. Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering.

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. Giles Mongeau, SJ Will facilitate the retreat "Ignatian Basics Boot Camp" for men.

**COST**: Suggested offering \$135 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

**PHONE:** 905-839-2864, **EMAIL:** pickmanresa@rogers.com **WEB**: www.manresa.canada.ca

### **VOCATIONS CORNER.....**

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood religious life or deaconate? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call: Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca



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