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RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
or anytime by appointment

BAPTISM:

Baptism kits are available from the church office after weekend Masses. A kit **MUST** be picked up before attending a Baptism Preparation Class. Please note that, due to the large size of our parish, Baptism dates are booked 2 months in advance, at the Preparation Class.

MARRIAGE:

Contact parish office **ONE YEAR BEFORE**.

MASS TIMES:

Saturday:	5:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:45 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.
	12:15 p.m.
	4:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday:	8:30 a.m.
Saturday & Holidays:	9:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday:	9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
	2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday:	9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday:	9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

**PREPARATION COURSES MANDATORY FOR
BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sacraments & Worship

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Please note that on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent this year, we will be reverting to the Year 'A' cycle of readings. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops give parishes permission to do so, if they are celebrating the three Rites of Scrutiny for the Elect of the parish's RCIA programme.

Hence, for the **5th Sunday of Lent**, our readings are as follows:

**Ezekiel 37:12-14, Romans 8:8-11,
John 11:1-45**

This week's reflection

The blind man in today's Gospel was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle.

Which am I more like; the man born blind or the Pharisees?

Random act of Stewardship you can do at home

After saying grace at the family meal, ask each family member to relate something he/she is thankful for that day, or some way that he/she shared his/her gifts that day.

ST. PATRICK'S LENTEN SCHEDULE

Thursdays until April 2nd
EVENING PRAYER—7.15 pm
Spend 20 minutes in a unique prayer experience.

Fridays until April 3rd
STATIONS OF THE CROSS—7.30 pm

March 27 Social Justice and Schola Choir
April 3 Youth



Daily Mass Intentions

Monday, March 23
8.30 am Intentions of Susie Fernandes

Tuesday, March 24
8.30 am Maria Fe Celeste Salvani

Wednesday, March 25
8.30 am Intentions of the Haly Family

Thursday, March 26
8.30 am Marilyn Robicheau

Friday, March 27
8.30 am Deceased members of
St. Patrick's Prayer Group

Saturday, March 28
9 am Mass for Intentions of Recently Deceased
5 pm Intentions of Sylvia Rieza

Sunday, March 29
4.30 pm Thomas Ceraso Jr. and
deceased members of the Ceraso Family

SUNDAY PROGRAMMES FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS

Faith development begins at birth and continues throughout one's lifetime. As part of their ongoing religious growth, the children of our community are invited to meet Jesus in the Gospels at a level they can understand. There are several opportunities in which this can take place during the Sunday masses:

8.45 am: children 4—7 years of age are called out after the opening prayer to participate in a Children's Liturgy. They return to the main assembly at the Offertory.

10.30 am and 12.15 pm:
Babysitting (for children 0-3 years of age) and Sunday School (for children 4-6 years of age) are available for the entire mass. The Gospel message is shared with each group and the children are guided to understand how it relates to their own lives.

These programs are not available on long weekends or during school vacations.

BAPTISMS

This week, the following children are being baptized into our Catholic community.

**Marco Pannunzio, Charlie Hotles, Haley Leong,
George Obasuyi, Odosa Obasuyi, Matteo
Pagliocca, Emily Sax, Kara Cespedes.**

Let us pray for them, support them and their families, and lead them by our example.

**MASS FOR THE INTENTIONS
OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

St. Patrick's is a large parish, and frequently when a parishioner wishes to arrange an "announced intentions" mass to be celebrated at our parish, they are dismayed to find out that the first available date is often six months or more in the future.

In order to meet the needs of parishioners **to have a mass celebrated shortly after the death of a loved one**, on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month, at the 9 am mass, there will be the opportunity for a number of intentions to be named. However, in accordance with Canon (Church) Law, for these masses, no stipend fee can be given to the parish; hence multiple intentions at these two bi-monthly masses can be proclaimed.

If you wish to have the names of loved ones remembered at these masses, please contact the parish office by the Thursday preceding the mass, so that the list can be prepared on the Friday. The names will be read out on the Sat. morning.

The next Mass for the Intentions of the Recently Deceased will be at 9 am on Sat. March 28.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

This month, we have been asked to pray for the following people:

Paul Notarfonzo, Celine de Souza, John Dilallo, Consuelo Ileteo, Paulette Greener, Frances Van Esch, Fran Bingham, Glenn Carr, Josefina Edrosolan, Tony DeSouza

For a complete list of those wishing to be kept in our prayers, please see our website, under "Please remember the sick in your prayers..."

Servant Development

LITURGICAL DAY OF REFLECTION

Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith, and Fr. Michael invites all members of the Liturgical Ministries to take the opportunity to nurture their faith at a Day of Reflection. Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Music Ministry members, Ushers and volunteers in the Visiting Ministry, retreat into an experience of **Eucharist: Gift of God for the Life of the World**. It will prepare you for the Triduum.

The Day of Reflection begins with morning mass at 9 am **Sat. March 28**, and will end by 3 pm. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

RSVP to Lois Shaw,
905-294-5955, ext. 225 by March 23.

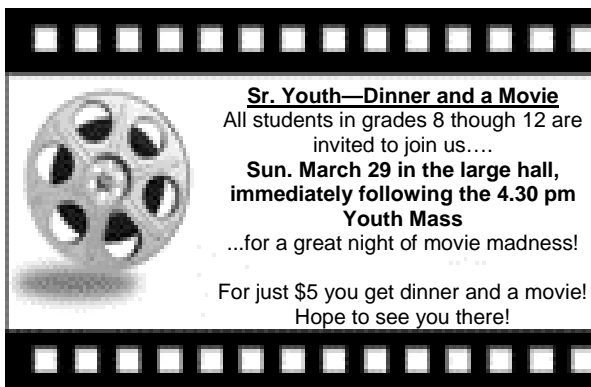
ALPHA Course for Young Adults



Are you a young adult (age 18—39)? Join us to explore the meaning of life in a fun and friendly atmosphere, with food, laughter, and the chance to ask difficult questions about God.

Faith Connections, Markham Baptist, St. Patrick's Catholic, and St. Andrew's United invite you to a 10-week course on Thursday evenings, starting **March 26**, 6 pm at Markham Baptist Church (110 Church St., Markham).

Sign up by calling Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt at 416-222-1426 ext. 276, or email: faithconnections@csj-to.ca.



Sr. Youth—Dinner and a Movie
All students in grades 8 though 12 are invited to join us...
Sun. March 29 in the large hall, immediately following the 4.30 pm Youth Mass
...for a great night of movie madness!
For just \$5 you get dinner and a movie!
Hope to see you there!

Support & Infrastructure

Please be kind enough to put your name and address on your donation envelopes that you use every week. This helps the admin staff greatly! Thank you in advance!

What's Happening

PILGRIMAGE of LOVE, July 3-5

\$230 per person, double or triple room. Includes accommodation, transportation, 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners.

Join a group of pilgrims to deepen your faith and enjoy the peace and serenity at the following shrines in Quebec:

Notre-Dame-du-Cap, St. Joseph, St. Peregrine, St. Anne de Beaupre.

Call Agatha Moo Choy 905-471-6794 before 8 pm. Reservations required, spaces limited.

Outside our Community

NATIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION 2009 ON VISION TV

Mon. April 6th and Tues. April 7th at 9 pm
and repeated at 11 pm on VISIONTV

"Reflections for Lent" Parts 1 & 2;

the National Catholic Mission for 2009.

The host of "Reflections for Lent" is the
Most Reverend Paul-André Durocher, the
much loved Bishop who launched the first
National Catholic Mission in the year 2000.

THE TELEVISED DAILY MASS on VISIONTV

From St. Basils' Church in Toronto

Mon.—Fri. 8 am and 12 noon,

Sat. 8 am

TENEBRAE SERVICE

On Fri. April 10th at 8 pm, Our Lady of
Grace at 15347 Yonge. St., Aurora will be
holding a Tenebrae service. The music for
this service was written by Msgr. J.E.
Ronan, founder of St. Michael's Choir
School in Toronto, and will be performed by
a 4 part men's choir made up of the alumni
from the Choir School. This is a most
appropriate way to celebrate the sufferings
and death of our Saviour.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL AUDITIONS

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the high school. For info visit www.smcs.on.ca
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BEREAVED FAMILIES OF YORK REGION Fundraising concert

An evening of music with the York Regional
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