

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in them, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5

#### Rev. Liborio Amaral, **PASTOR** • Rev. Gustavo Campo, **ASSOCIATE PASTOR DEACON** Franciscus Sukardi • **DEACON** John Kennedy

Office Hours Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parish Lay Pastoral Assistant Liz Rybka Parish Secretaries Deanna Pacheco, Olga Calderon, Sinia Alvarado **Vocations Director** Fr. Chris Lemieux 416.968.0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca **Reconciliation** Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. & by appointment **Baptisms** Please contact the Parish Office Marriages Please contact the parish office one year in advance

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<u>Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u>
Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass
Those interested in being Catholic
Adults who have not been baptized or wish to be received into
the Catholic Church participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation

#### **Parish Schools**

Cardinal Leger S.S. Bishop Francis Allen 905-457-4677 St. Mary 905-451-1020 905-453-2232 St. Francis Xavier 905-459-0646 St. Kevin 905-450-0571

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<u>Monday - April 30</u> <u>Easter Weekday</u>

9:00 a.m. - Mass • Nuno & Narcisco De Lima †

> <u>Tuesday - May 1</u> <u>St. Joseph the Worker</u> <u>& St. Pius V</u>

9:00 a.m. - Mass • Jaoquim De Lima †

> Wednesday - May 2 <u>St. Athanasius</u>

- 9:00 a.m. Mass
- Special Intention for Francisco Punsalan
- Donna Kelly † Peter Tram Lai †

Thursday - May 3 St. Philip & St. James

9:00 a.m. - Mass • Roselyn Pastor †

Friday - May 4 Blessed Marie-Leonie Paradis

9:00 a.m. - Mass

 CWL Members Living & Deceased †

7:00 p.m. - Mass

 Special Intention for Pauline Bedard

#### <u>Saturday - May 5</u> <u>Easter Weekday</u>

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Robert Boyd †
- Menic Family †
- Ivan Ursic & Family †
- Ida & Dennis Machado †
- Joseph Luu Minh Do †
- Marie Tremblay †

#### Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help after the morning Mass

5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass



#### Let us Pray for the Recently <u>Departed</u>

Shirley Johnston Mark D. Raymer

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### Pastor's Corner

his week we have the final of our First Communion children who will be receiving Jesus Christ in the Eucharist for the very first time.

Every year it is a wonderful joy to see the smiling faces of those who receive the sacraments of initiation (i.e. Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). Their excitement should spark in us the same joy of our faith in Jesus Christ. Recently a mom shared with me her young child's experience of baptism. This child was about two and a half years old. When he received the sacrament of baptism he spoke boldly to his mom that "I am a big boy now" and "Now that I am baptized I have super powers". Oh how true these words are from such a young boy. When we are baptized we do receive power from God - we receive His Sanctifying Grace and live in God and He in us.



Do you remember your Sacraments of initiation? For most of us,

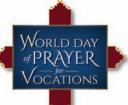
our baptism occurred when we were mere infants. But do we at least know the day we received our "super powers"? And what of our first communions and confirmations; do we have memorizes of these events. Let your minds go back in time and think of the joy you had in receiving these sacraments. Let us pray that just like our young brother who was recently baptized, we too can proclaim that 'now we have super powers'.

Finally, to all our young brothers and sisters who have received their first communion these past three weeks – may God bless you and your families and may you grow in your faith so that God can welcome you one day into his heavenly kingdom, where the super heroes live. Blessings, Fr. Liborio

### The Pope's Pastoral Works - Collection May 6, 2018

The Pope's Pastoral Works. When a disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately many countries rush in food, medicine, blankets, money, and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. The annual Pope's Pastoral Works collection makes these funds available for distribution. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer.

# World Day of Prayer for Vocations—Friday May 4, 2018



On this day we mark the **55th World Day of Prayer for Vocations** to pray for all vocations; priesthood, religious and consecrated life. Please join us at St. Mary's for <u>Holy Hour on Friday, May 4 at 6 p.m.</u> followed by the 7 p.m. Mass, to pray for Rev. Mr. Alexander MacDonald and Rev. Mr. Raymond So to be ordained on Saturday May 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.

# Please Take Note of Mass Time Change - Sat. May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.



On Saturday, May 12th, the regular 9 a.m. mass will instead be changed to <u>8 a.m.</u> due to the Ordinations taking place at St. Michael's Cathedral.

# **Pray for Vocations**



Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call, Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997 email: vocations@archtoronto.org website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

# April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

# ShareLife - Living the Gospel by helping newcomers to Canada

Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He was not who he seemed; she endured



emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Crosscultural Services. Staff at CCS connected her with a





settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife. **May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.** 

#### **Birthright Brampton Baby Bottle Campaign**



**Birthright Brampton** welcomes women facing unplanned pregnancies, regardless of age, race, religion, marital status or financial situation. All services are free, non-judgmental and confidential. Someone is available 24/7 (1-800-550-4900) to listen and assure a woman she is not alone during this challenging time. Birthright can help find hope with love, friendship and listening. We do not receive any government funding because of our Pro-Life status. Bottles will be handed out after all masses on the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> to be returned with your contribution

the weekend of June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Please take a few moments to sign out a bottle to help us continue to help mothers and save babies. *"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth …and the right of every child to be born."* 

## March for Life—Thursday May 10, 2018



Pro-lifers will gather on Parliament Hill to witness to the right to life for all human beings. The March for Life is the largest annual event on Parliament Hill when thousands of Canadians gather to be a voice for the most vulnerable in our country today.

ALL.IN. Defending human life is the civil rights movement of our day and you are invited to add your support through active participation in this event. St Jerome's and St Mary's are sharing a bus that will be departing from St Mary's at **4:30 am** on <u>Thursday May 10</u>.

Let's Fill the bus !! It's an amazing "must see for yourself" day and truly memorable experience. For information and sign up call St Mary's office 905-451-2300.



#### Mother's Day Weekend Roses

Roses will be available for sale next weekend May 12/13 for Mother's Day in appreciation of the gift of life our mothers have given us. Proceeds of the \$5 donation will go to support pro-life initiatives.

#### April 23, 2018 - Statement from Cardinal Thomas Collins

"I invite the Catholic community across the Archdiocese of Toronto to join me in offering our prayers for all those who were killed or injured in the violent incident earlier today. I will be asking all 225 Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto to offer special prayer intentions this week for all those who have suffered. Let us all unite in our efforts to bring comfort and care to those who are hurting today." *Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto* 

#### **Project Rachel**

Let God show you his love. Are you still hurting from an abortion experience? We can help. A weekend retreat for women whose hearts have been broken by abortion: May 4-6, 2018. Project Rachel is private and confidential.

Call 416-629-8264 or e-mail ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org "The way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us." John 15



May 2nd, 7-8 p.m. All are welcome to join us in the new hall for a Guest speaker from the Crime Prevention Services from Peel Regional Police, who will be speaking on Scams and Frauds. Open to all parishioners (men and women) of St. Mary's.

General Meeting

May 2nd, 8:00 pm Meeting to follow the guest speaker.

#### **Bazaar Worknights:**

Mondays May 7 and 28 lower level at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. These are the last two worknights until Sept. 10.

# KNIGHTS



#### Roses for Life

Mother's Day Weekend May 12/13 the Knights of Columbus will be selling roses in support of the Roses for Life Program which provides financial support to Pro-Life organizations for their work such as Life Chain and March for Life.

#### Annual Charity Raffle Tickets

The Knights of Columbus will be selling their annual Charity Raffle tickets at the main entrance of the church following mass on May 26/27. Thank you for your support.

*Thank You for your Offering* <u>April 22, 2018</u> Regular Collection <u>\$ 13,380.80</u> Sharelife Collection <u>\$ 21,436.90</u>





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