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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT / B

The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called **Laetare Sunday**. **Laetare** is a Latin word that means “rejoice”. Traditionally, Sundays are named after the first word of the liturgy’s opening antiphon. On this Sunday, the antiphon is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-11). Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

LIVING THE GOSPEL BY PROVIDING FOR HOMELESS YOUTH

On any given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage program at Covenant House has been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. The program matches adolescents with mentors, who help them build life skills. By supporting ShareLife, you’re helping at-risk youth prepare for life on their own. **March 17th & 18th is ShareLife Weekend. Please give generously.**

THE SEASON OF LENT 2018

The Lenten season is a time of reflection and a time to be thankful for our blessings. The four Lenten pillars are: **Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving and Sacrifice**. It is a sign of our care for those in need, and an expression of our gratitude for all the blessings God has given us. Works of charity and the promotion of justice are integral elements of the Christian way of life we began when we were baptized.

This year, we continue with the **Purple Lenten Bag Program**. It is a symbol of our sacrifice and self-denial. In order to help those in need, please consider adding a daily monetary value into your Lenten bag. **All proceeds will go towards Saint Vincent de Paul and Out of the Cold.**

**ST. BRIGID’S CENTENNIAL CHOIR
NEXT REHEARSAL DATE: MARCH 17**

The next rehearsal date for the St. Brigid's Centennial Choir will take place on **Saturday, March 17th at 10:00 am in the Church.**

**ITALIAN BUFFET DINNER FUNDRAISER
SATURDAY, MARCH 17 – 6:00 pm**

It is not too late to obtain your tickets for the **Fifth Annual Italian Buffet Dinner Fundraiser supporting the Good Friday Passion Play & Procession!** The festivities will take place on **Saturday, March 17th at 6:00 pm** in the Church Hall. The buffet dinner will include authentic Italian food as well as one bottle of wine at each table. **Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under.** To obtain your tickets, please see an usher after each Mass or contact the Parish office – don’t delay!

ST. PATRICK’S PRAYER

St. Patrick’s prayer for the faithful captures the wonderful spirit that made him Ireland's patron saint and one of the Church’s most beloved missionaries.

May the Strength of God pilot us. May the Power of God preserve us. May the Wisdom of God instruct us. May the Hand of God protect us. May the Way of God direct us. May the Shield of God defend us. May the Host of God guard us. Against the snares of the evil ones. Against temptations of the world May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us! May Christ be in us, Christ be over all! May Thy Salvation, Lord, Always be ours, This day, O Lord, and evermore.

**SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF ST. JOSEPH
MONDAY, MARCH 19 – 7:00 pm**

Please join us on **Monday, March 19th at 7:00 pm** as we celebrate a Solemn Mass in honour of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Prince and Patron of the Universal Church, and Patron Saint of Canada. Mass will be celebrated in the Church in both English and Italian.

**LENTEN COMMUNITY CONFESSIONS:
THURSDAY, MARCH 22 – 7:00 pm**

Confessions for the Parish community will be taking place on **Thursday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm.** All are welcome.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2018

Due to an extended Palm Sunday Mass and Easter Sunday Mass, the Italian Mass will be celebrated at 9:45 am.

PALM SUNDAY ~ DOMENICA DELLE PALME: MAR. 25

8:30 am / 9:45 am / 11:00 am

Procession, with Palms, at all Masses including the Saturday evening Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY ~ GIOVEDÌ SANTO: MAR. 29

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper
10:00 pm Holy Hour and Adoration until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY ~ VENERDÌ SANTO: MAR. 30

11:00 am Stations of the Cross on the streets
1:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord Passion (Italian)
Adorazione della Croce e Comunione
3:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion (English)
Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion
Children’s Liturgy (Church Hall)
6:00 pm Passion Play & Procession

HOLY SATURDAY ~ SABATO SANTO: MAR. 31

11:00 am Solemn Rosary and Marian Meditation
8:30 pm Solemn Celebration of the Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY ~ DOMENICA DI PASQUA: APR. 1

8:30 am / 9:45 am / 11:00 am

EASTER MONDAY ~ PASQUETTA: APR. 2

9:00 am Holy Mass (Chapel)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: GOOD FRIDAY

We invite children to attend the Good Friday Liturgy on **Friday, March 30th at 3:00 pm** in the Church hall.

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY & PROCESSION

Please join us on **Friday, March 30th at 6:00 pm** at the Church as we celebrate the **29th year** of gathering together as a community and celebrating the production of **The Good Friday Passion Play** followed by the **Procession**.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on March 4th, 2018 was **\$4,068.10**. Please remember **St. Brigid's Church in your last will and testament**. Don't forget to ask us about **Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)!**

QUARTA DOMENICA DI QUARESIMA / B

Salvati per amore «Avere la vita eterna» non indica solo la promessa di una beatitudine dopo la vita terrena, ma la partecipazione alla vita divina già fin d'ora. Nel «dare», cioè nel consegnare il Figlio alla morte, il Padre manifesta la sua straordinaria passione per l'uomo: una verità questa, che ha ancora la forza di capovolgere le nostre visuali e, forse, di scandalizzare. L'amore a Dio, contrariamente a quanto può sembrare, non è iniziativa nostra perché «non siamo stati noi ad amare Dio, ma è lui che ha amato noi e ha mandato il suo Figlio come vittima di espiazione per i nostri peccati».

STAZIONI DELLA CROCE - OGNI VENERDÌ

Vi invitiamo a partecipare con noi alla celebrazione delle Stazioni della Croce. Ogni Venerdì di quaresima alle 7:00 pm nella chiesa.

GRUPPO DI PREGHIERA SAN PADRE PIO

Sabato 17 Marzo, dopo la messa delle 9:00 am, ci sarà. La Coroncina di San Pio di Pietralcina. Per informazione chiamate a Chiara a: **(416) 466-0445**.

DINNER DANCE: PER AIUTARE IL PASSION PLAY E PROCESSIONE: SABATO, 17 MARZO

Non è troppo tardi per ottenere i tuoi biglietti per la festa annuale per aiutare la produzione del Passion Play e Processione! La cena sarà buffet e include autentici piatti Italiani con una bottiglia di vino per ogni tavolo. I biglietti sono disponibili! C'è una quantità limitata di biglietti da vendere-fate in fretta! **Il prezzo è di \$35 per gli adulti e \$15 per i bambini fino ai 12 anni**. Per favore, domandati agli uscieri dopo la Messa o chiamate l'ufficio parrocchiale.

FESTA DI SAN GIUSEPPE: 19 MARZO

LUNEDI, 19 Marzo si celebra la Festa di San Giuseppe. Una messa Solenne in onore di San Giuseppe sarà celebrata alle **7:00 pm in Inglese e Italiano**.

CONFESSIONI IN PREPARAZIONE PER LA PASQUA: GIOVEDÌ, IL 22 MARZO

Tutti i parrocchiani sono invitati a partecipare alle confessioni per la comunità che avranno luogo nella chiesa il **Giovedì, il 22 Marzo** alle ore **7:00 pm**.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare della settimana 4 Marzo 2018 e' stata **\$4,068.10**. Grazie per la vostra contribuzione per aiutare alle spese della chiesa. Dio vi recompense. **Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrocchia puo' essere "il terzo figlio della carità" nel vostro testamento?**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Mar. 10th

9:00 a.m. +Don Marren, req. by the Parish
5:00 p.m. +Maria De Manche, req. by the Parish

Sunday, Mar. 11th ~ Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
9:30 a.m. Per Tutti le Anime nel Purgatorio, req. by Pietrina Fragale
+Tommaso Morlando, req. by Filippo & Josie Paladino
+Franca & Alfredo Sollecito, req. by Sestito Family
+Francesco & Marianna Basile, req. by the Family
+Maria Teresa Cavataio, req. by the Parish
+Domenico Cascone, req. by Maria Valentini
+Domenico & Caterina Luccisano, req. by Tony Luccisano
+Corrado & Giuseppina Triberio, req. by Triberio Family
+Antonio, Assunta, Paolo & Madalena Romagnuolo, req. by Concetta Romagnuolo
+Vincenza & Salvatore Morana, req. by the Family
+Angela & Francesco Maraio, req. by Schiavo Family
+Pietro Altomare, req. by Lucia Loizzo
+Rocco & Cecilia De Palma, req. by Giuseppe & Pasquina Bavaro
+Pietro, Rosina, Maria, Giuseppe & Mario Mauro, req. by the daughter Franca Fiore
+Angelo Cornacchia, req. by the Parish
+Joe Nucifora, req. by the Parish
11:00 a.m. For All the Deceased Members of the Loizzo & Campanelli Families, req. by Lucia Loizzo
+Mario Orlandi, req. by the Ambrosini Family
+Antonio Francisco, req. by Celia Francisco

Monday, Mar. 12th

12:00 p.m. Special Blessing for Carmela Zito, req. by the Family

Tuesday, Mar. 13th

12:00 p.m. +Giuseppe Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande
7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Lisa Mandarin, req. by the Family

Wednesday, Mar. 14th

12:00 p.m. +Joseph Ruggiero, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero
6:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours
7:00 p.m. **Novena Mass:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday, Mar. 15th

10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration-Meditation & Benediction
12:00 p.m. +Vito & Maria Rosa Viscomi, req. by Nicola Viscomi
7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Pietro & Giuseppina Morelli, req. by the Family

Friday, Mar. 16th

12:00 p.m. Special Blessing for Caterina Nocera, req. by the Family

Saturday, Mar. 17th ~ St. Patrick


9:00 a.m. San Pio di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera S. Brigida
For all the Deceased Members of the Virzi & Sciortino Families, req. by the Virzi Family
+Antonio Drago, req. by the Virzi Family
5:00 p.m. In Honour of St. Joseph, req. by Maria Calo & Family
+Giuseppe Masellis, req. by Grazia Masellis & Family
+Kitty Seery, req. by Kate & Michael Gilhooly

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