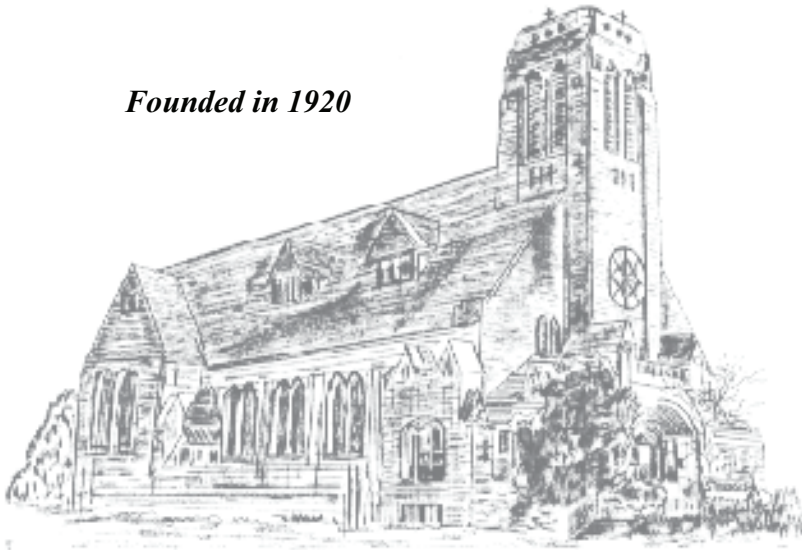


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Rev. Carlos A. Sierra T.



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## PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Maria Frassica



## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. (Italian)

11:00 a.m. (Family Mass)

## WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASSES

Monday - Friday 12:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

*Mass is celebrated at 9:00 a.m.  
on weekday statutory holidays.*

## DEVOTIONALS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Mass & Novena

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.

Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

## ROSARY

Monday - Friday 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Those interested in having their child(ren) baptized must contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples engaged to be married must contact the Parish office one year in advance.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### ST. BRIGID CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / B

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel. In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began. Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words.

### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

*"We've had enough exhortations to be silent. Cry out with a thousand tongues. I see the world is rotten because of silence."*

In today's political and social climate there is a loud and growing demand for change. Today, more than ever, we see the importance of standing up for change. Let us continue, just as St. Catherine of Siena did, to lend our voices and prayers in order to create change. "Christians are not meant to be lukewarm (Revelation 3:15 - 16). Rather, we are to be like Christ, and set the world on fire (Luke 12:49). We should not be afraid to go to God in prayer, and to witness to the faith in public."

### 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 presented himself to be. As a result, Angie endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at **Catholic Crosscultural Services**. The staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program where she received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently and free from all forms of abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife. **The third and final ShareLife collection will take place on May 26th and 27th. Please continue to give generously.**

### WITH THANKS FROM OUT OF THE COLD

On behalf of our guests, the coordinators and volunteers of St. Brigid's Out of the Cold program, we wish to extend our most heartfelt gratitude to Father Carlos Sierra and St. Brigid's parishioners for their unfailing generosity in supporting our efforts. Each week, more than 120 people were nourished with a healthy, hearty, hot dinner and over 70 guests stayed overnight in a safe and warm environment. Your gifts throughout this past season – of time, talent, treasure and prayers – have made a positive difference in the lives of those in need.

## ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER FOR ALL VOCATIONS: MAY 4

On **Friday, May 4th**, Cardinal Collins has asked that we all take the time to pray for all vocations: priesthood, religious and consecrated life. During this time, we also ask that you pray for our four ordinandi, along with all those who are discerning or who are currently in formation.

## SACRAMENT INFORMATION

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated next **Saturday, May 5th at 12:00 pm** in the Church for all students who fully participated in the First Holy Communion Catechesis Program. If you require any information, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish office before May 5th.

We wish all our students the very best as they continue in their spiritual journey. Special thanks to Fr. Carlos Sierra, our catechists, coordinators, and administrators for all their hard work and dedication in the last several months.

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

A reminder to all parents, guardians and students that the weekly Confirmation Sessions will conclude next **Sunday, May 6th**.

On **Wednesday, May 9th**, students from St. Brigid's School, who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, will have the opportunity to receive Confession at 10:00 am in the Church.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Thursday, May 24th at 7:00 pm in the Church**.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION:

### POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS ON MAY 5 & 6

The *Pope's Pastoral Works* allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly in aiding victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.

## CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2018

### THEME: RENEWING THE PROMISE

Catholic Education Week 2018 begins on **Sunday, May 6th and concludes on Friday, May 11th**. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to discover what celebrations are happening in your children's school. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

## FEAST OF SAINT ANTHONY: JUNE 13

Please join us on **Wednesday, June 13th at 7:00 pm** as we celebrate a special Mass in honour of Saint Anthony. There will be a blessing of bread in honour of this great Saint. *"Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak."* - St. Anthony of Padua

## TWO SPECIAL HEALING MASSES

St. Brigid's Parish will have the opportunity to experience the loving touch and the healing power of the Mercy of God in the form of two special healing Masses.

1. On **Saturday, June 16th at 10:30 am**, Father Carlos will celebrate a special healing Mass for the elderly and for those who are sick.

2. On **Saturday, June 23rd at 10:30 am** Father Carlos will celebrate another healing Mass for all families who have suffered a miscarriage or the loss of an unborn child.

## RESCUE CONFIRMATION COURSE FOR ADULTS AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Calling all adults and secondary school students who have been Baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation; we will be holding 4 sessions starting this September (date to be confirmed) in order to fully prepare you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We are committed to helping our Parishioners to grow in the family of faith.

If you are interested in being a part of this program, please contact the Parish office by email at: [stbrigid@rogers.com](mailto:stbrigid@rogers.com) or by calling: (416) 696-8660 (Monday to Friday).

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on April 22nd, 2018 was **\$3,394.90**. 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.)!**

## QUINTA DOMENICA DI PASQUA / B

Nel vangelo secondo Giovanni ci sono parole di Gesù alle quali purtroppo siamo abituati e che dunque ascoltiamo o leggiamo in modo superficiale. In verità confesso che queste parole mi sembrano folli, mi sembrano pretese assurde, che un uomo equilibrato non può avanzare. Solo quando le leggo o le ascolto quali parole del Risorto vivente, del Kýrios, del Signore in mezzo alla sua chiesa mi sento di accoglierle come parole di verità e di vita. Ma allora mi danno quasi le vertigini e mi fanno sentire inadeguato di fronte alla rivelazione del mistero...i brani giovannei che ascoltiamo nel tempo pasquale e che innanzitutto testimoniano – come si vedeva domenica scorsa – le affermazioni di Gesù “Io sono...”, possono urtarci, possono sembrare incomprensibili...eppure sono parole del Signore!

## PREGHIERA DA SANTA CATERINA DA SIENA

*O Spirito Santo, vieni nel mio cuore: per la tua potenza attiralo a te, o Dio, e concedimi la carità con il tuo timore. Liberami, o Cristo, da ogni mal pensiero: riscaldami e infiammi del tuo dolcissimo amore, così ogni pena mi sembrerà leggera. Santo mio Padre, e dolce mio Signore, ora aiutami in ogni mia azione. Cristo amore, Cristo amore.*

## FESTA DI SANT'ANTONIO

**Mercoledì, il 13 di Giugno alle 7:00 pm** celebreremo una Messa speciale in onore di **Sant'Antonio** con la benedizione del pane in onore di questo grande Santo.

## COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare della settimana 22 Aprile 2018 e' stata **\$3,394.90**. 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, April 28th ~ St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

- 9:00 a.m. Special Birthday Blessing for Jim Barnes, req. by the Parish  
+Giovanna Diillo, req. by the Parish
- 5:00 p.m. Special Birthday Blessing for Monica Crum-Ewing  
+Joseph & Onorino Ruggiero, req. by the Family

### Sunday, April 29th

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
- 9:30 a.m. Benedizione Speciale per Emma Nicoletti,  
req. by Sheila & Tom Johnston  
+Giovanni & Franco Scalera,  
req. by Giuseppe & Pasquina Bavaro  
+Antonietta & Carmine Spada, req. by Ida Spada  
+Fiore Altomare, req. by Ida Spada & Family  
+Gabrielle Apostolli Torelli, req. by Cavataio Family  
+Maria Teresa Cavataio, req. by Cavataio Family  
+Carmelo Palandra, req. by Michelina & Family  
+Maria Megliore Ferrigno, req. by Quattropane Family  
+Giuseppina Napoli, req. by the Parish
- 11:00 a.m. +Andrew Tay, req. by Theresa Tay & Family  
+Lucia Marino, req. by the Family

### Monday, April 30th ~ St. Marie De L'Incarnation

- 12:00 p.m. +Danilo Dalida, req. by the Family

### Tuesday, May 1st ~ St. Joseph the Worker

- 12:00 p.m. +Rosa Morra, req. by Rocchina Ruggiero & Family

### Wednesday, May 2nd ~ St. Athanasius

- 12:00 p.m. +Michael & Josephine Del Grande, req. by Lucia Del Grande
- 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, May 3rd ~ St. Philip and St. James

- 12:00 p.m. +Angelo & Carmelo Cornacchia, req. by Gilda Cornacchia
- 7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass: +Colomba Iacoviello**, req. by Melino Family

### Friday, May 4th ~ BL. Marie-Léonie Paradis

- 12:00 p.m. +Deloraine Perera, req. by Barbara Rodrigoe

### Saturday, May 5th

- 9:00 a.m. +Suzanne Mears Clugston
- 12:00 p.m. **First Holy Communion**
- 5:00 p.m. +Celestino & Concetta Volpe, req. by the Family  
+Richard McCrorie, req. by Joe Naccarato

### MAY 1: PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER


Good Saint Joseph, ever watchful guardian of the Holy Family, protect the chosen people of Jesus Christ, keep us free from the blight of error and corruption, and be our ally in the conflict with the powers of darkness. As of old you rescued the child Jesus from the plots of Herod, so now defend the universal Church from all harm. Keep us one and all under your continual protection, so that by your help and example, we may lead a holy life, die a happy death, and come to possess eternal life in heaven. Amen.

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