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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

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NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST / B

Our feelings of piety and devotion bid us rejoice today in the birth of Saint John the Baptist. He was chosen by God to come and proclaim him who is the joy of the human race and the bliss of heaven. He is the new witness from whose lips the world heard that our Redeemer, the Lamb of God, was at hand. He, the trustworthy messenger of so great a mystery, was the witness whose birth was announced by an angel to parents who had given up hope of offspring. What person of good sense, discerning the hand of heaven in his birth, would not believe that he proclaimed divine mysteries? For he was not yet a child and was being carried partly formed in the womb when, by the privilege of the grace bestowed on him, he filled the heart of his blessed mother with eternal joy, and before his birth she made known the fruitfulness of her once barren womb. Elizabeth said to Mary: "Why, as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy! How is it that I am honored by a visit from the mother of my Lord?" It is not surprising that this elderly woman was endowed with the gift of foreknowledge, since she was to give birth to the herald of the most high God.

MISSION CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES: JULY 28 & 29

The Archdiocesan Mission Co-Operative Program plays an important role in connecting the parishes of the Archdiocese of Toronto with the Catholic Church in other parts of the world. This year, we are pleased to introduce our parishioners and community to **Fr. Remigius Siesegh** from the Diocese of Damongo in North Ghana.

The Diocese of Damongo is a rural and mission diocese, located in a deprived area of the northern region of the country. It was carved out of the Archdiocese of Tamale in 1995. The economic and social infrastructure in the area is very underdeveloped. There is a high rate of illiteracy which means that meeting basic family needs is a challenge. The main challenges of the diocese include: the training of pastoral agents – seminarians and catechists; ongoing formation of priests and religious; the faith formation of the laity, whose knowledge of church doctrine is rather shallow. There are many poor people who come to their health facilities for medical care but cannot afford it financially and need help. **Fr. Remigius Siesegh** is participating in the Mission Co-op Program to raise funds to respond to the pastoral needs.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Every year we are generously supported by Father Carlos Sierra, our sponsors, and by our dedicated committee members and their families. A lot of time and effort goes into the planning and organization of this blessed feast. It is a time to gather together, to celebrate, and to continue creating wonderful memories. Every year we strive to do better in order to reach a larger audience. We welcome you to please join us in these festivities and to share in the glory of this blessed feast. By participating in the Madonna Assunta festivities, you will be supporting our Parish to face all its ongoing challenges.

MADONNA ASSUNTA FESTIVAL 2018

ANNUAL DINNER / DANCE AT LE PARC: FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Please join us for our annual Madonna Assunta Dinner Dance taking place on **Friday, August 17th**, at the beautiful Le Parc Banquet Hall, Thornhill. **Tickets are \$90 for adults and \$45 for children 12 and under.** There will be lots of great prizes, an Italian dinner, deluxe bar, musical entertainment, and much more! **Tickets are now available! Please contact an usher after each Mass or contact Maria at the Parish office: (416) 696-8660.**

LITURGICAL CELEBRATION, PROCESSION AND FESTIVAL: SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

On **Sunday, August 19th** we will celebrate the Solemn Mass in honour of Our Lady of the Assumption at 3:00 pm at the Church, followed by the Procession and concluding with our Festival at St. Brigid's School yard. There will be lots of musical entertainment (live and a DJ), great food: arancini (Sicilian rice balls), pizza, BBQ and much more.

There will also be a raffle draw with many great prizes plus a chance to win the **grand prize of an electric bike generously donated by John Sipione of Bike and Forth PowerSports.** All are welcome to this fun-filled day!

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 (416) 696-8660.

MODESTY IN DRESS AT ALL MASSES

As we enter the summer months and temperatures continue to rise, we remind all parishioners that dressing appropriately and modestly to all Masses shows mindfulness towards God, as well as respect for the sanctity of the service and the experience of fellow parishioners. Please be aware that there is in fact an appropriate dress code for attending all Masses. We are simply asking for the dignity and decorum that the Church calls for. Please remember that God has invited us into his home; let us continue to respect our place of prayer and worship.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending on June 17th, 2018 was **\$3,017.55.** **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.)!**

NATIVITÀ DI SAN GIOVANNI BATTISTA / B

La Chiesa festeggia la natività di Giovanni, attribuendole un particolare carattere sacro. Di nessun santo, infatti, noi celebriamo solennemente il giorno natalizio; celebriamo invece quello di Giovanni e quello di Cristo. Giovanni però nasce da una donna avanzata in età e già sfiorita. Cristo nasce da una giovinetta vergine. Il padre non presta fede all'annuncio sulla nascita futura di Giovanni e diventa muto. La Vergine crede che Cristo nascerà da lei e lo concepisce nella fede. Sembra che Giovanni sia posto come un confine fra due Testamenti, l'Antico e il Nuovo. Infatti che egli sia, in certo qual modo, un limite lo dichiara lo stesso Signore quando afferma: «La Legge e i Profeti fino a Giovanni».

PROGRAMMA DI COOPERAZIONE MISSIONARIA: SABATO E DOMENICA - LUGLIO 28 e 29

Il Programma Di Cooperazione Missionaria svolge un ruolo importante nel collegare le parrocchie dell'arcidiocesi di Toronto con la Chiesa cattolica in altre parti del mondo. Quest'anno, siamo lieti di presentare i nostri parrocchiani e la nostra comunità a **Padre Remigius Siesegh** della diocesi di Damongo, nel nord del Ghana.

FESTA DELLA MADONNA ASSUNTA 2018

GALA ANNUALE DINNER / DANCE: VENERDÌ, 17 AGOSTO

Unitevi a noi per la nostra annuale Madonna Assunta Dinner Dance che si terrà il **Venerdì, 17 Agosto, 2018** presso il bellissimo Le Parc Banquet Hall ~ situato a 8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill. **I biglietti sono \$90 per gli adulti e \$45 per i bambini sotto i 12 anni.** Ogni biglietto vi permetterà di avere una cena Italiana, deluxe bar, Intrattenimento musicale, ecc. ecc. I biglietti sono ancora disponibili! Si prega di contattare uno degli uscieri oppure l'ufficio parrocchiale.

CELEBRAZIONE LITURGICA, PROCESSIONE E FESTIVALE: DOMENICA, 19 AGOSTO

Domenica 19 agosto celebreremo la Messa solenne in onore di Nostra Signora dell'Assunzione a partire dalle 3:00 pm a la Chiesa, seguita dalla Processione e concludendo con il nostro Festival nel cortile della scuola di S. Brigida. Ci sarà un sacco di intrattenimento musicale (dal vivo e un DJ), ottimo cibo: arancini, pizza, barbecue e molto altro. Ci sarà anche un sorteggio con molti fantastici premi oltre alla possibilità di vincere il **gran premio di un motorino elettrico generosamente donato da John Sipione di Bike and Forth Powersports.** Tutti sono invitati a questa giornata piena di divertimento!

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare della settimana 17 Giugno 2018 e' stata **\$3,017.55.** 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, June 23rd

- 9:00 a.m. +Don Marren, req. by the Parish
10:30 a.m. **Healing Mass for Families**
5:00 p.m. In Honour of St. Anthony, req. by Maria Calo & Family
+Isabel Mendoza, req. by Angelo & Annella Mendoza
+Gino Andrenacci, req. by the Family
+Nancy-Lou Ferroni, req. by Alexandra & Family

Sunday, June 24th ~ *The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*

- 8:30 a.m. **Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners**
9:30 a.m. Per tutti i defunti delle Famiglie Loconte e Virgilio, req. by Francesca & Lena Virgilio
Benedizione speciale per Joe & Betty Delle Fave per il loro 25° anniversario di matrimonio
Benedizione speciale per Corrado & Lucilla Bonfanti per il loro 50° anniversario di matrimonio
+Giovanna Parise, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera di Maria Caggianiello
+Giuseppe Virgilio, req. by Joe & Betty Delle Fave & Family
+Biagio & Albina Delle Fave, req. by Joe & Betty Delle Fave
+Carmelo Palandra, req. by Michelina Palandra
+Francesco Camera, req. by Vincenzo & Maria Camera
+Antonino Tuccitto, req. by Corrado & Lucilla Bonfanti
+Rosina Colangelo, req. by Rampino Family
+Rosina Ciardullo, req. by the Parish
+Angelo Pagnello, req. by the Parish
+Francesco Marelli, req. by the Parish
+Corrado Moncada, req. by the Parish
11:00 a.m. For All the Souls in Purgatory, req. by Maria Calo & Family
Special Wedding Anniversary Blessing for Joven & Mida Fernandez, req. by their St. Brigid's Friends & Family
+Giovanni Naccarato, req. by Joe Naccarato
+Ed Redman, req. by Theresa & Junior Boudreau
+Giovanna Parise, req. by the Parish

Monday, June 25th

- 12:00 p.m. For all the deceased members of the St. Brigid's Community
5:00 p.m. **St. Brigid's School Grade 8 Graduation**

Tuesday, June 26th

- 12:00 p.m. +Giovannina Lobo, req. by Lucia Del Grande
7:00 p.m. **Memorial Mass:** +Antonina Gumina, req. by the Family

Wednesday, June 27th ~ *St. Cyril of Alexandria*

- 12:00 p.m. +Angelo Sorce, req. by Rosa Sorce & Family
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, June 28th ~ *St. Irenaeus*

- 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
12:00 p.m. In Onore Della Madonna di Carmine, req. by Lucia Del Grande

Friday, June 29th ~ *Saints Peter & Paul*

- 12:00 p.m. In Onore Della Madonna di Carmine, req. by Sara Meglio

Saturday, June 30th ~ *The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*

- 9:00 a.m. For all the deceased members of St. Catherine of Siena
5:00 p.m. +Vincenzo & Rosa Barbuto, req. by Maria Turco
+Maria & Salvatore Turco, req. by Maria Turco
+Danilo Dalida, req. by the Family
+Paolo Calo, req. by Maria Calo & Family

O Holy Apostles, Peter and Paul, intercede for us. Protect, O Lord, your people who trust in the patronage of your Apostles, Peter and Paul, and by their constant protection protect your people. Amen.

O santi Apostoli, che rinunciaste a tutte le cose del mondo per seguire al primo invito il grande maestro di tutti gli uomini, Cristo Gesù, otteneteci, vi preghiamo, che anche noi viviamo con il cuore sempre staccato da tutte le cose terrene e sempre pronti a seguire le divine ispirazioni. Amen.

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