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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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: C

In today's Gospel, the beatitudes confront us with choices concerning temporal or earthly possessions. They challenge us to purify our hearts, to embrace the values of God that are completely opposed to those of the world. The things that we think we need to be happy and successful are exposed as being of no value at all in God's economy. The beatitudes provide us with the heart of the Christian way of life. It takes complete trust to live the beatitudes. Jesus is asking us for that complete trust in God, no matter what our condition in life. Social justice teachings of the Church have been consistently forthcoming in the past hundred years they remind us that the teachings of Jesus were not just for that time, but for all time. Jesus is addressing us with the challenge of his teaching. Jesus did not say that it was wrong to own things, have enough to eat or have a comfortable home, but his sermon reminds us that this should not be our sole focus in life.

FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

You don't choose your family. They are God's gift to you, as you are to them. – Desmond Tutu

Family Day will take place on Monday, February 18th. Chapel Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am and the Parish office will be closed.

OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM MEETING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Due to inclement weather, last week's Out of the Cold meeting was cancelled and is re-scheduled for this **Wednesday**, **February 20th at 5:00 pm** at the former St. Catherine of Siena Church (1099 Danforth Ave.) in the **St. Brigid's Annex Hall**. For this meeting we are asking that all current volunteers and those interested in volunteering to attend.

DONATIONS: We are still in need of apple juice, socks and warm clothing. In addition, we are asking for donations of your old cell phones. Simply remove the SIM card and ensure that no personal information is stored.

ST. BRIGID'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE & MASS: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

The St. Brigid's Children Choir is still looking for new members between the ages of 7 to 14. The children's choir sings every Saturday at the 5:00 pm Mass. The next practice and Mass will take place on **Saturday, February 23rd** starting at 4:00 pm followed by Mass at 5:00 pm. Please contact the Parish office to register your child.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECRUITMENT DRIVE SATURDAY & SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 & 24

The Knights of Columbus membership recruitment drive will be taking place next weekend after each Mass. We are happy to remind you about new Knights of Columbus initiative, supported by Pope Francis, regarding the building of the Domestic Church and the strengthening of family life, and how you can help. If you would like more information or if you would like to join the Knights of Columbus, please see one of our representatives after each Mass.

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY & PROCESSION

This year marks our **30th year** of gathering together as a community and celebrating the production of **The Good Friday Passion Play & Procession**. To register yourself as an actor or if you would like to help with the play in any way, please email us at: **stbrigidpassion@gmail.com** with your full name and full contact information. This is also a great way for students to fulfill their volunteer requirements. **Practices will be held every Sunday from 3:00 to 6:00 pm in the Church. Refreshments will be served after each practice.**

This year the Good Friday Passion Play & Procession will take place on Friday, April 19th starting at 6:00 pm in the Church. All are welcome!

THE TRUTH ABOUT CANCER DOCU-SERIES

Starting next Tuesday, February 26th at 7:45 pm in the Church Hall Fr. Carlos Sierra will be presenting a nine part doc-series on the Truth about Cancer. Each week we will present an episode with a new international panel of doctors, scientists, researchers, and cancer survivors who will reveal revolutionary cancer preventatives, therapies, and life-saving treatments that can protect you and your loved ones from cancer. Participation is free!

PRAYER & LIFE WORKSHOP: FEBRUARY 27, 2019

Our weekly **Prayer & Life Workshop** will start next **Wednesday, February 27th** from **6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Rectory Hall.** The cost for this workshop is \$15 for materials only – instruction is free! Please contact the Parish office if you would like to register.

CONFIRMATION COURSE

Calling all secondary school students and adults who have been **Baptized Catholic**, but have not yet received the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. We will be holding four Saturday sessions from **10:00 am to 12:00 Noon** starting **March 2nd**. The three subsequent Saturday sessions will take place on **March 23rd**, **30th**, **and April 6th**. Please call the Parish office to register for this program.

2019 LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY: MARCH 2

Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada taking place on Saturday, March 2nd from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca.

SEASON OF LENT

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to sacrifice self-denial through fasting. Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Ash Wednesday and on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-sacrifice and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time, treasure, and talents.

ASH WEDNESDAY: MARCH 6

Ash Wednesday is one of the most important holy days in the liturgical calendar. It opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer. Following are the Ash Wednesday Masses:

12:00 pm English Chapel Mass 1:00 pm: School Mass 7:00 pm **English & Italian Evening Mass**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS THROUGHOUT LENT

Please join us every Friday evening at 7:00 pm, throughout the Lenten season as we pray the Stations of the Cross in both English and Italian in our Church. Praying the Stations of the Cross is a powerful way to contemplate, and enter into, the mystery of Jesus' gift of himself to us.

The first service will be held on Friday, March 8th.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH **SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

Please join us at St. Brigid's Church on Saturday, March 30th at 11:00 am to commemorate the World day of Prayer. This day is an international, ecumenical movement asking you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action". The movement aims to bring together people of various races, cultures, and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

AUTHENTIC ITALIAN BUFFET DINNER FUNDRAISER: SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Please join us on Saturday, March 30th at 6:00 pm in our Church Hall for our Sixth Annual Fundraiser supporting the Good Friday Passion Play & Procession. The buffet dinner will include authentic Italian food made by the best home cooks in our community as well as one bottle of wine at each table. Tickets will be available next week! There are a LIMITED amount of tickets to be sold -DON'T DELAY. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$20 for children 12 and under. Please see an usher after each Mass or call the Parish Office at: (416) 696-8660.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for the week ending February 10th was \$3,482.15. Please remember St. Brigid's Parish in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.).

VI DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO: C

Con questa domenica si inizia la lettura del discorso del «piano» in cui Luca presenta la nuova legge, la vita morale del cristiano. In fondo ogni morale naturale si può riassumere in questa norma: agisci secondo quello che sei. L'azione morale è chiusa negli orizzonti della natura. Nella Bibbia le cose vanno diversamente. La formula classica della legge morale nell'Antico Testamento inco-mincia così: «lo sono il Signore, tuo Dio, che ti ha fatto uscire dal paese d'Egitto, dalla condizione di schiavitù: Non avrai altri dèi di fronte a me». Fissa poi i precetti morali: non uccidere, non rubare, non commettere adulterio.

STAZIONI DELLA CROCE: OGNI VENERDÍ DI QUARESIMA

Vi invitiamo a participare con noi alla celebrazione delle Stazioni della Croce. Ogni Venerdì di Quaresima alle 7:00 pm nella chiesa cominciando il 8 di Marzo.

COLLETTA SETTIMANALE

La colletta regolare di 10 Febbraio e' stata \$3,482.15. Per favore, ricordate la nostra parrocchia nel vostro testamento. Avete mai pensato che la vostra parrochia essere "il terzo figlio della carità" vostro testamento?

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 16th

9:00 a.m. San Pio Di Pietralcina, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera di S. Brigid +Carmine Schiavo, req. by Gruppo di Preghiera di Padre Pio

5:00 p.m. Special Birthday Blessing for Caterina Nocera

+Maria Francesca & Antonio Macri, req. by Nocera Family

+Nazareno Cesta, req. by the Family

Sunday, February 17th

8:30 a.m. Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass For All Parishioners

Per Tutti I Defunti Della Famiglia Kolia 9:30 a.m.

Per Tutti I Defunti Delle Famiglie Campanelli & Loizzo

+Tommaso Cavataio, req. by Paladino Family

+Giovanni Toso, req. by Agata Toso

+Michelo & Carlo Doto, req. by Doto Family

+Pietro & Rachela Filardi, req. by Rosa Filardi

+Giorgio & Giuseppa Accomando, req. by Maria & Pina

+Tracy Scott, req. by David Scott

11:00 a.m. +Grace Johnston, req. by the out of the Cold Volunteers

+Leonardo & Ambrogio Masellis, req. by the Family

+Leonel Turcios, req. by Patricia Turcios

Monday, February 18th ~ Family Day

9:00 a.m. For All the Families in Our Parish Community

Tuesday, February 19th

12:00 p.m. +Maria Francesca & Antonio Macri, reg. by Nocera Family +Armenia & Rocco Lombardi, req. by Pasquale & Lucia Melino

Wednesday, February 20th

12:00 p.m. +Felicetta & Paolo Lobozzo, reg. by Lucia Del Grande

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 p.m.

Meditation, Vespers-Liturgy of the Hours

7:00 p.m. Novena Mass: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday, February 21st ~ St. Peter Damian

10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

12:00 p.m. +Don Marren, req. by the Parish

Friday, February 22nd ~ The Chair of St. Peter

12:00 p.m. For All Our Deceased Members of Our Parish Community

Saturday, February 23rd ~ St. Polycarp

For All Our Friends & Family Suffering with Illnesses 9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m. +Onorino Ruggiero, reg. by Rocchina Ruggiero

+Paolina Gesualdo, req. by Donato & Giovanna Filardi

+Charles Greco, reg. by John Molloy & Family

Please pray for all our parishioners, friends and family suffering with illnesses, especially, Bishop Robert Kasun, Rosa Rampulla, Nelda Montesa, Paul Crawford, Marta Delle Fave, Ethan Shoot, Carmela Zito, Robert Edward James & Eva Cioffi.



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