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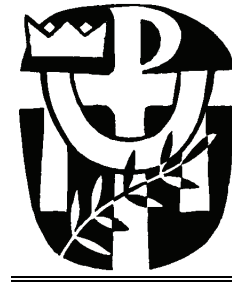
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**Message of Pope Francis for Lent – 2018**

Written on the Solemnity of All Saints, the Pope’s message for Lent is on the theme: ***“Because of the increase of iniquity, the love of many will grow cold*** (Matt. 24:12).”

In his message, Pope Francis urged people to renew their enthusiasm for the faith, using this season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving as an opportunity to stoke the flame of charity in their heart.

In the message, he warned against both cold hearts and “false prophets,” which he said tempt us to be led and enslaved by our emotions, or by a desire for wealth. “How many of God’s children are mesmerized by momentary pleasures, mistaking them for true happiness!” he wrote. This is the core of Pope Francis’ Lenten message: to draw attention to the fact that there are many experiences which “whittle away all of [our] enthusiasm and zeal” for the faith.

“Love can become cold because there are very many things which prevent it from sustaining the warmth of enthusiasm that it had,” Therefore, this message invites us, through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, to re-inspire our love of God and neighbor. “And this is crucial because all the good works that we decide to do... are all animated by a sense of love.”



To the **236<sup>th</sup> Toronto Scout Group** who planned and served the Parish Pancake Breakfast. They made \$403.00 which was donated to Holy Name Parish.

**Stations of the Cross**  
**Every Friday during Lent**

**Beginning at 7:00 pm**

March 16<sup>th</sup> – R.C.I.A.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> – A.C.C.

**Lenten Day of Confessions**  
**Friday, March 16th**

11 am – 12 noon

5 pm – 7:00 pm

*Individual Confession*

**Palm Sunday**

Saturday, March 24th - 5:00 pm Mass  
***(Blessing of Palms at the entrance)***

Sunday, March 25th - 10:00 a.m. Mass  
***(Blessing of Palms downstairs in hall)***

12:00 p.m. Mass (A.C.C.)

***(Blessing of Palms at the entrance)***

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

On the Holy Week Schedule enclosed in today’s bulletin please take note there will be a 12 noon African Catholic Community Mass on Easter Sunday.

**Please pray for all who are ill, especially, Sharbel (*Infant son of our newcomer family Naseer & Zinah*), Valrie Lashley, Stephanie Winkler, Ernesto Bouey, Mattia Paladini, Jackie Marksman, Marlon Kowalski, Heather Tobias, Laura MacDonald, Maria Jose Bouey.**



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 11, 2018**

Rosary at 11:50 a.m.  
Tues. March 13th  
12:05 pm: **Miles Jackson +**  
Wed. March 14th  
12:05 pm:  
Thurs. March 15th  
12:05 pm: **Buonfiglio Family +**  
Fri. March 16th  
12:05 pm: **Gubiani Family (Living)**  
Sat. March 17th  
5:00 pm: **Juan Anacta +**  
**Leo & Victoria Stang +**

**Readings for  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Jeremiah 31.31-34++  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps. 51.1-2, 10-11, 12-13  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5.7-9  
**Gospel:** John 12.20-33

**For next weekend –  
March 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 pm – Manuel Mairena, Kathleen Wilkinson, Joy Akien-Prohaska  
10:00 am – Dena Hamid, Joan Melanson, Wyley Powell, Myrna Anacta

**Ministers of the Word**

5:00 pm – Sheila Spencer, Heidi Tripp  
10:00 am – Sr. Mary Halder, Kaz Flinn, Paul Connelly

**Please note: Eucharistic Ministers & Ministers of the Word. If you cannot be present, please get a replacement to cover your ministry.**

As part of the ShareLife Campaign, **Mr. David Bruce, Director of Operations and Supportive Housing at St. Michael's Homes**, will join us for Mass this weekend.

St. Michael's Homes provides treatment, housing, and support services to men struggling with problematic drug or alcohol use and dependence. Its Matt Talbot Housing program, supported by ShareLife, offers low-barrier services to individuals who have unstable or no housing and have multiple health complexities, with co-occurring mental health, and/or the experience of trauma. Men with substance dependence are dealing with a chronic and relapsing condition, so our programs aim to provide care over an extended period of time, where clients are able to stabilize and work on their recovery until they are ready to become active members of their community. Our Aftercare program provides support to clients after they have left our residential programs.

To find out more information please visit the website at [www.stmichaelshomes.org](http://www.stmichaelshomes.org) or call (416) 926-8267.

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**



**Come Celebrate the Birthdays of Naseer and Narvana**  
(parish sponsored family)

**When:** Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> right after the 10 am Mass

**Where:** Church Hall

**Needed:** Contributions of finger food and soft drinks

**For more info kindly contact Michael Bachan at [dmbachan@gmail.com](mailto:dmbachan@gmail.com)**

**Toronto EMS (Emergency Medical Services) is making a presentation**

(Safety Tips and dealing with Medical emergencies)  
To Holy Name Seniors Group

**On Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.  
In Holy Name Parish Room (downstairs)**

If you are living alone, or a senior, you are welcome to attend this presentation. A sandwich lunch will be provided at 12:30 p.m. For more information call **Holy Name at 416-466-8281 or Kathleen at 416-469-3970.**

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