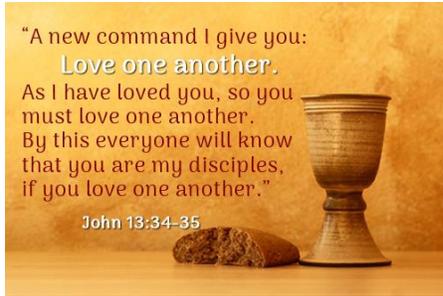


5th Sunday of Easter



In the final stage in Jesus' earthly mission and part of his farewell speech, Jesus not only calls his disciples to love but also to demonstrate a close union of peace, harmony and justice within the community. This is to be the identifying badge of his followers - 'By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.'

The best way we can understand what the Lord meant by "love one another" is to observe *love* as he lived it. For Jesus, love meant assisting, affirming, encouraging and offering acceptance and unconditional forgiveness to everyone he met. He showed *love* by the way he served the poorest of the poor and in accepting death on the cross.

When a close friend or family member dies unexpectedly, we often have regrets for words left unsaid. Even in our own homes or community, how many people are longing to hear words that offer praise or give hope? Words of support, love or encouragement cost nothing but can mean so much. Demonstrate love today by letting someone in your life know how much you love and appreciate them.



Mass Intentions

Monday	Soul of Daisy Suero
Tuesday	Soul of Eugene Penoso Soul of Maggie DeAbreu Soul of Nenita Enriquez Soul of Louisa John-Phillip Souls of Derek Royer & Boswell Maynes
Wednesday	Soul of Carmena Fenech
Thursday	Soul of Eduardo Chuidian
Friday	Soul of Anna Kok Mee Chin

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

Crowning of Mary

"O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!"

Mary holds a special place in the heart of the Church and in the heart of many Catholics. One of many devotions during the month of May is the Crowning of Mary as the "Queen of May," a traditional Catholic ritual which we celebrated here at St. Luke's at the beginning of this month. As early as the 13th century the Church adopted the custom of consecrating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin by observing special rituals. The practice became especially popular among the Jesuit Order and by the early 1700 it became a practice among their students at the Roman College and later spread to the whole Church. In Italy, in 1747 the Archbishop of Genoa recommended May devotion as a devotion for the home with the recital of the Rosary.

The Rosary

The Rosary is a devotion to the Incarnation of Our Lord and to His Blessed Mother. It is composed of five decades, each decade consisting of the Our Father, ten Hail Mary, and the Glory Be to the Father, and each being recited in honor of a mystery in the life of Our Lord and of His Blessed Mother. During each decade we should call to mind the mystery which it is intended to honor, and pray that we may learn to practice the virtue specially taught us by that mystery. The venerable Fulton Sheen said, "*The rosary is the book of the blind, where souls see and there enact the greatest drama of love the world has ever known; it is the book of the simple, which initiates them into mysteries and knowledge more satisfying than the education of other men; it is the book of the aged, whose eyes close upon the shadow of this world, and open on the substance of the next. The power of the rosary is beyond description.*"

Fatima

Sr. Lucia, who was the last of the three shepherds who had witnessed the apparitions of our Lady of Fatima shares, "The Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." (*Catholicism Pure & Simple - April 27, 2017*)

Let us pray, "*Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*"

Antoinette

PARISH NEWS



MAY IS THE MONTH OF OUR LADY

PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE

For the month of May, the statue of Mary is available for display in your home, as you pray the rosary with family & friends. There are still a couple of dates available to schedule the statue.

On Friday, May 31, the statue will return to the church where we will gather at 7:00 pm to pray the rosary as a community. All are welcome.

SL ShareLife

*Helping the whole community
through Catholic agencies*

2019 PARISH GOAL - \$147,000.00

Collection to date – \$ 87,306.55

Living the gospel by supporting youth ministry in our parishes

What difference does training make for youth ministers? Consider that the 40+ youth ministers in the Archdiocese of Toronto collectively impact thousands of youth and their families. The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY), funded by

ShareLife, visits parishes, equips youth ministers and facilitates networking – including an archdiocesan training day attended by 200 youth ministers and volunteers. OCY helps ensure a vibrant church for future generations.

June 2nd is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE-UP

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to Saint Vincent de Paul's Bundle -Up days last weekend. Your donations will be a great help in our efforts to assist our neighbors in need. A heartfelt thanks to the volunteers who loaded up the truck-you made this possible.

THANK YOU!!!

TOTUS TUUS Day Camp 2019

Totus Tuus registrations are now open for the day and evening programs.

Day Program

Who: Students entering grades 1-6

When: July 22-26 from 9am – 2:30pm

Cost: \$60 first child & \$30 for each additional child

Evening Program

Who: Students entering grades 7-12

When: July 21-25 from 7pm-9pm

Cost: \$30

To register please visit

<https://stlukesth.archtoronto.org/Ministries/youth-ministry> OR <http://eepurl.com/gkvfU1>

Good Shepherd Tuna Casseroles

The Casseroles for the Good Shepherd Ministries are due on Sunday, May 26th (last Sunday of the month). Thank you for your continued support.

Exciting Workshop with Dr. Robert Weber

All are welcome

You are invited to attend an exciting workshop at **St. Bonaventure's Parish on Saturday, June 1, 2019** from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. sponsored by Office of Formation for Discipleship. This workshop is for all men and women in the second half of life. "Guest Speaker is **Robert L. Weber, Ph.D., M.Div.** Clinical psychologist and co-author of **The Spirituality of Age: A Seeker's Guide to Growing Older.**" The workshop will frame a vision of the spirituality of ageing that will serve to encourage and enhance spiritual growth not in spite of ageing, but because of ageing.

Who should attend? All those who are seeking spiritual growth in the second half of life.

For more information please contact Sally Amaral at samaral@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400, ext. 518.



Enjoy the long weekend everyone!
Mass begins at 9:00 am on Monday and
the office will be closed.