



The mystery of the Trinity is an invitation to look deeper at the inner life of God as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier who is closer to us than we realise. Scripture unfolds the life of God the Trinity and tells us he loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone may have eternal life. The essence of our Christian faith is the relationship we have through baptism as children of the Father and adopted brother and sisters of Jesus Christ. While we use human words and symbols to talk about God, we have to humbly acknowledge that God is greater than our feeble attempts to understand him. Better than this is the experience of God's love and our sharing that love with one another. The Trinity is a celebration of the love of Father, Son and Holy Spirit who are so closely bonded to each other that they become perfectly one, while remaining distinct persons. Human love is a mirror of such love.



Mass Intentions

Monday	Soul of Char Deslippe
Tuesday	Souls of Anna Cristinzo, Rodrigo Dela Cruz, Michael Eivemark, and Primer Asprer
Wednesday	Soul of Jean Lookhong
Thursday	Intention of Lucas McCron
Friday	Thanksgiving Mass from the Tibor Family

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
905 881-2786 ext. 250

JUNE: ABORIGINAL HISTORY MONTH

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission is the government of Canada's most important attempt to heal the wounds of the past with its 150,000 Indigenous and their hundreds of thousands descendants, whose lives were inextricably altered by the residential school system. Many of the problems that face indigenous communities today are not for the most part a result of personal failure as much as they are the result of centuries of a systemic attempts by the government at assimilation. The abuse that was perpetrated in residential schools is only part of the equation. The very creation by the government of residential schools is an abuse in and of itself. The bond inherent within families was violated as a matter of government policy.

In 1876 the Canadian government introduced the Indian Act, to be administered by the Department of Indian Affairs (currently called Indigenous and Northern Affairs). The Indian act has been described as a form of apartheid, of legislation designed to control the Indigenous population. It was through the Indian Act that the Canadian government formed policy surrounding residential schools, placed bans on religious ceremonies, restricted access to the courts, limited movement by restricting First Nations people from leaving the reserve without permission from an Indian agent, and prohibited the formation of political organizations. If an indigenous woman married a white man, she lost her Indian status. If an Indigenous person entered university, joined the Canadian Armed Forces or wanted to vote in an election they had to relinquish their status and treaty rights. The above was eventually amended but the right to vote without reprisals wasn't granted until 1960.

Apologies have been made but apologies need to lead to action. Whether it is the continued reality of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls, boil water advisories, lack of adequate housing or deficiencies in First Nations education funding, these inequities threaten to undermine words offered in apology.

The past, present and future are connected. An honest assessment of our history is required to move forward from the injustices of the past and the present to a more just future. This history is not just an Aboriginal issue, it is a Canadian issue. We all share in this as Canadians – First Nations and non First Nations peoples.

Natalie Doucet

Happy 25th Anniversary

A big congratulation to our Pastor **Father Mark's** as he celebrates his **25th Anniversary** of his Ordination into the Priesthood. Please join us this **Sunday, May 27th** at the **12:15 mass followed by a reception in the Parish Hall** to celebrate Fr. Mark.

TOTUS TUUS DAY CAMP

Grades 1-6, July 30 – Aug. 03, 9am-2:30pm

Grades 7 + July 29 – Aug. 03, 7pm-9pm

Cost: Grades 1-6, \$60/child; \$30 for 2nd & 3rd student/family

Grades 7+ \$30/student; \$15 for second child in the family.

Registrations for Totus Tuus Day Camp at St. Luke's are now open. Totus Tuus is a faith centred camp open to all students run by college-aged missionaries from around the Archdiocese of Toronto. Totus Tuus is a great opportunity for students to get involved in exciting camp activities, meet new friends, and grow in their Christian faith.

For more information or to register see Greg Garda, Youth Minister, following Sunday Masses or contact him by email or phone.

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FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

Next Friday **June 1st** is the first Friday of the month so there will be a one hour Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 7:30 pm. All are invited to come and spend one hour with Jesus.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2018 CHARITIES LOTTERY

Members of the Knights of Columbus council will be selling lottery tickets after each mass at the back of the church this weekend. The proceeds from the lotteries will go to the Arthritis Society and other local charities.

SILENT RETREAT FOR MEN & WOMEN AT MANRESA PICKERING

June 01-03, 2018 - 7:00 pm

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent retreat in the Jesuit tradition. Fr. Michael Knox, SJ, Director, Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, will facilitate the retreat, "Praying with St. Jean de Brebeuf: A model of Christian Virtue for the Catholic in Canada."

COST: Suggested offering is \$185 per person. This includes accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

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Share...Life!

Camila was attending programs at Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers when she and her daughter were kicked out of the family home. As counsellors helped her search for an affordable apartment, she became pregnant a second time. Despite these challenges, Camila attended every program available to her at Rose of Sharon. At the end of the year, she walked out a stronger woman with a plan to achieve the life she wants for herself and her daughters. Last year, at ShareLife-funded agencies that assist young mothers, over 1,000 clients like Camila received support for their new families.

Today is ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for your generosity.