

### Programs at OLA

# The Travelling Vocations Chalice Family Prayer for Vocations

The Chalice is offered to you as a reminder of your obligation to pray for vocations. It is a prayer tool intended to encourage within the family, prayers of thanksgiving to God for all our Priests and Religious, and to continue to beseech God to expand the hearts and minds of the many men and women whom Jesus continues to call with the words, "Come, follow me."

#### How does the program work?

- Families who are interested in bringing the chalice home are asked to contact the office.
- Please provide family name, address, contact information and the weekend mass which you usually attend.
- The designated family will receive the chalice after Communion during the weekend Mass which they attend.
- The family will keep the chalice, with the prayer booklets, for **seven days**.
- The family will return the chalice to Father (in the Sacristy) before the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass.

#### The Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

"Marriage is a precious sign, for when a man and a woman celebrate the sacrament of marriage, God is, as it were, 'mirrored' in them; He impresses in them his own features and the indelible character of his love. Marriage is the icon of God's love for us" (Pope Francis - Amoris Laetitia)

Anniversary blessings are given to all celebrating couples after the reception of the Holy Communion at all Masses of <u>the last weekend of the month.</u>

#### How does the program work?

- Married couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries are asked to contact the office.
- Please provide your names, the number of years of marriage you are celebrating, and the weekend mass time which you usually attend.



#### **The First Saturdays Marian Devotion**

The Heralds of the Gospel will continue leading this devotion at our parish as an act of reparation for the offenses committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Every First Saturday of the Month:

The program begins at 4pm and consists of the Holy Rosary, meditation and confessions, and ends with the 5pm Vigil Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 8:30am to 7pm. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to come and spend some time before Jesus in prayer and adoration?



### Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program

We offer the option to give your offertory through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program. PAG allows you to make your regular Sunday offering using the "direct debit" system. It is a giving option to provide convenience and ease of use for our parishioners. When you register

for PAG, your Sunday offering is only withdrawn from your account once a month and deposited into the parish account. PAG is also used in other parishes, and we want to offer PAG to those who would like to use it. If you are ready to join the program, please bring a void cheque with you.

For more information, please call our church office.



Monday: October 1st

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday: October 2nd

7:00pm - †Primo Suplido;

†Rosa Maria Tedesco;

†Silvana Nigro

Wednesday: October 3rd

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm - †Angelo Casto

Thursday: October 4th

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday: October 5th

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm - †Linda Zappa

Saturday: October 6th

8:30am - †Albert D'Souza

5:00pm - †Vincenza La Neve

Sunday: October 7th

9:00am - †Mario Evangelista

10:30am - †Vitale Francesca

12:00pm - For the People of Our Parish



#### Let us pray!

For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.

#### **Rite of Initiation for Adults**



What is RCIA?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program in the Catholic

Church for adults who wish to become Catholic. The next RCIA session will start in October 2018.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please ask them to contact the parish office for more information.



Weekly Offertory

Last Week's Collection \$5,524.00

Thank You For Your Generosity



The second part of today's Gospel contains a strong message for those who share the responsibility of fostering faith. It is indeed an awesome responsibility. Today's Gospel reminds us that faith is a lifelong journey toward God. We don't always get it all or even get it right. But we pray for the grace to acknowledge and build upon even the smallest signs of faith, in ourselves and in others. There are

plenty of obstacles that might prevent the growth of faith. Let us pray that we are not contributing to the obstacles that might hinder another person's faith in Jesus.

As you gather as a family, observe that there are things in our lives that nurture our faith and things that can hinder it. Talk about some of the things that nurture our faith - healthy family relationships, healthy friendships, good literature, and so on. Name some of the things that might be an obstacle to faith - unhealthy relationships, scandals, and so on. Observe that Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel that we are to do everything we can to help one another have faith in Jesus and do all that we can to avoid creating obstacles that might hinder another person's faith.

L'itinerario di Gesù verso Gerusalemme è un susseguirsi di insegnamenti e raccomandazioni; una specie di manuale catechetico, che serve da continuo confronto per la fede, ancora solo incipiente, dei discepoli.

L'interrogativo posto da uno di loro: "Abbiamo visto uno che scacciava i demoni... ma non era dei nostri" descrive bene il rigido schematismo dentro cui, loro come noi, vorremmo imprigionare la libertà dello Spirito, che soffia sempre dove e come vuole.

Non siamo noi cristiani i padroni della salvezza, donataci da Cristo. Sia pure avendo responsabilità e modalità diverse in seno alla Chiesa, noi cristiani abbiamo solo il compito di far incontrare, tra di noi e agli altri, con la nostra testimonianza, la nostra parola e le nostre opere, la persona di Cristo.

La consapevolezza della gratuità del dono di Cristo ci obbliga a valorizzare tutto ciò che, nel mondo, fa presagire e manifesta la sua presenza redentrice, perché Cristo, unico ad avere una risposta esauriente all'inquietudine presente nel cuore dell'uomo, può inviare lo Spirito Santo a illuminare il cuore di ogni persona.

Il nostro desiderio più profondo dovrebbe essere quello di Mosè, quando ha esclamato: "Fossero tutti profeti nel popolo di Dio e volesse il Signore dare loro il suo spirito!".

#### Vocations Corner...

Pran Vocations

Today's readings speak of the gifts of prophesy and of casting out demons.

If you feel that God is calling you with the gift to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,

call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

# First Reconciliation and Communion Sacramental Preparation



The First Reconciliation and Communion Program is designed for and received by children in Grade 2 or older.

Registration is now open for young people who wish to receive this Sacrament.

Parents <u>MUST</u> attend <u>ONE</u> of our 'Registration and Information' dates to be held on: Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm, or Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10:00am

#### **Confirmation - Sacramental Preparation**

The Confirmation program is designed for and received by children in Grade 7 or older. Registration is now open for young people who wish to receive the Sacrament.

Parents MUST attend ONE of our

'Registration and Information' dates to be held on:
Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm, or
Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10:00am

When will I receive a registration package?

Children in grade 2 and 7 attending one of parish Catholic schools: registration packages will be distributed this week and will be sent home with your child(ren).

Children in Grades 2 and 7 attending a public, private, or a Catholic school outside the parish boundary are invited to pick-up a registration package in the church fover.

Parents of older children who have not received the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and First Communion and are entering grades 3 - 8, are asked to please email: olasacraments@bellnet.ca or contact the parish office at 905-677-4615.

## ESE YOUTH CORNER OLIFE TEEN

Are you in grade 6, 7, or 8?

All students in **grade 6 - 8** are welcome to our next EDGE Night on **Friday**, **October 26th**, from 7pm - 9pm.

EDGE Registration Fee: \$35 (EDGE t-shirt included)
September 2018 to June 2019 Session
Registration forms available in the church fover.

For registration info, please contact 905-677-4615 or email: <u>OLAyouthministry@hotmail.com</u>

Calling all "OLA Teens" in grades 9 - 12!

Are you looking for service hour opportunities?

Teens in need of volunteer hours for
High School graduation are asked to email

OLAyouthministry@hotmail.com to get on the list
for Parish Service Projects and Youth Events
which will require volunteers.

### OLA Young Adults

Programs and Events for ages 19 - 39. Follow us on Twitter: @Airways YA