

## From the Pastor's desk.....

It has been noted by several individuals and I think our own experience can verify that the word "love" is commonly used and often misused. For the most part, it is actually more of a language problem because the English language does not have other words to describe love. In other languages, and here I will focus on the Greek language, there are four ways to describe love. In the gospel, two of those ways is used, *phileo* and *agape*.

The word *phileo* is used to describe the love between friends. The love of friendship goes beyond the physical and emotional feeling. It is a love that excludes any sort of use for personal gain at the expense of the other. It is a love that is manifested in the commitment to overcome the difficulties and obstacles together.

The word *agape* is used to describe love as unconditional, self-giving love. It is the deepest love you can imagine. It is the love that is willing to sacrifice all for the sake of the other.

This understanding of love will help us with today's questioning of Peter by Our Risen Lord. We read twice in English, "Peter, do you love me?" Whereas in the English/Greek it would read, "Peter, do you *agape* me?" Peter's response is, "Yes, Lord, you know that I *phileo* you." It is true that Peter is not ready to give all that Our Lord is asking for, but Our Lord works with us where we are at and wants us to grow. Peter would proclaim boldly the gospel and would give his life for its sake.

Consider honestly for yourself, how would you answer the question from Jesus, "Do you *agape* me?"

*Fr. Michael*

## COFFEE TIME

This Sunday, May 5, join us in the parish hall, after the morning Masses, for friendship and refreshments.

## A CELEBRATION FOR FR. ED 60 YEARS ORDAINED!

Please join fellow parishioners for cake and coffee on May 12 in the hall after the 11:00 Mass to offer our congratulations to Fr. Ed for his beautiful service to Our Lord and to the Church.

## CWL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm – CWL members will celebrate Our Lady with the Rosary and the Crowning of Mary in the Church. All parishioners are welcome. The celebration will be followed by our General Meeting in the Church Hall to which all ladies of the parish (members/non-members) are welcome to attend.

## SPRING GARAGE SALE SATURDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>

The CWL is holding a Spring Garage and Bake Sale. We need donations of lightly used household items, books, toys, sports equipment, etc. Please, no clothes, furniture or electronics. Place items in bags and boxes labelled CWL, and leave in the east side basement hallway. Stay tuned for more information about the Bake Sale.

## THANK YOU, FR. NEIL

RECEPTION MAY 25/26

Fr. Neil has served us well and faithfully for 17 years. We continue to remember him in our thoughts and prayers as he awaits hip surgery. He will celebrate Mass and preach at the 5:00 pm Mass on May 25 and the 11:00 am Mass on May 26 at St. Mary's. After each of those Masses, there will be a reception in the hall, to allow parishioners to say thank you to Fr. Neil and to offer best wishes.

Some parishioners may wish to give a gift. As Fr. Neil does not have a permanent residence at this time, he wishes to "travel lightly" and does not need material gifts. He would, however, be grateful for any monetary gifts.

## MAY 5, 2019 MISSISSAUGA MARATHON

**Road Closures/Restrictions:** Lakeshore Road @ Mississauga Road – Closed 7:30 am to 10:30 am

### 9:00 AM MASS

(Arriving) Parishioners living West of Mississauga Road can use QEW to Hurontario Street and Lakeshore Road West.

Parishioners from the East can use Westbound Lakeshore Road to access the Church.

(Departing) Parishioners will have to use Eastbound Lakeshore Road to exit the Church

Parishioners living West of Mississauga Road are encouraged to use Hurontario Street to access the QEW Westbound.

### 11:00 AM MASS

(Arriving) Parishioners living West of Mississauga Road can use Eastbound Lakeshore Road after 10:30 am, otherwise they should use Hurontario Street to access Lakeshore Road.

Parishioners from the East can use Westbound Lakeshore Road to access the Church

(Departing) There should be no impact on parishioners exiting the Church as all roads in the vicinity are anticipated to be re-opened by this time.

Call Brad 289-681-2476 /Craig 905-615-3200 ext. 3638 for details.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

John Paul II Council # 11955

Annual Mother's Day Roses Sale | May 11 & 12

Knights of Columbus will have Roses available following all Mother's Day weekend Masses. Multiple colours, single stem in water, \$4.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. Pick up some roses for all the special ladies in your life. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

1 – First Holy Communion Classes from 12:15 - 1:40 pm, in the hall on May 5, May 12 and June 2.

2 – Second Interview: Please call 905-278-2058 or email [st.marystarofthesea@bellnet.ca](mailto:st.marystarofthesea@bellnet.ca) to set up an appointment for the second interview with Fr. Michael

## CONFIRMATION

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2 – Confirmation Rehearsal: 7 pm on Thursday, June 6 (Church/Hall).

## SL ShareLife

### Living the Gospel with Justice and Love

"ShareLife represents a reliable signpost on the course mapped out by our Pastoral Plan – namely, its core direction of 'Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love.' The work of our agencies, and your generosity towards them, serve as a pathway through which acts of justice and love are realized, and the witness of the Catholic faith is strengthened." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

We thank all who have so generously donated and encourage others, who have not yet donated to this very important campaign that funds Catholic charities, to please do so over the next several weeks.

#### TODAY IS SHARELIFE SUNDAY!

Our goal this year is \$136,500  
Together, we have raised \$47,913.35 (35%)  
*Thank you for your generosity.*

### KARAOKE NIGHT - THIS SUNDAY!

We hope to see many of you on Sunday evening (May 5), from 7 to 8:30 pm, for a night of fun, music and snacks.

### BUNDLE UP FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

A great big thank you to all those who donated items for our Bundle Up collection. The truck was almost full! Please know that your donations are used carefully. Some are given to residents of the many homes run by SSVP, some are sold in the SSVP stores, some are sold to other organizations to generate funds for SSVP works.

### LINKS TO FAITH – MAY 5, 2019

#### WEEK 18 – GENERAL AUDIENCE – THE LORD'S PRAYER – POPE FRANCIS – February 13, 2019

"True prayer is that done in the secret of the conscience, of the heart: inscrutable, visible only to God. God and I. It shuns falsehood: with God it is impossible to pretend." This is a great place to start when reading Pope Francis' audiences on The Lord's Prayer – which are continuing still. His audiences are very pastoral – calling on us to embrace our spirituality.

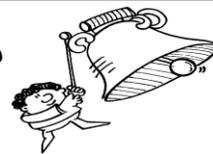
To read the this General Audience from February 13 2019, click on Links to Faith at the bottom of the parish homepage: [www.stmarystarofthesea.ca](http://www.stmarystarofthesea.ca) and select Week 18 – General Audience – The Lord's Prayer –Pope Francis – February 13 2019

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

#### MAY 5 – 10, "LIVING AS JOYFUL DISCIPLES"

During Catholic Education Week (May 5 -10, 2019), we give thanks for the gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in our province. Catholic schools foster supportive communities where young people can experience the joy of God's love and understand the Christian mission in the world. Together, our parishes, educators and families sow the seeds of faith with the next generation of Catholics, challenging them to live as joyful and faithful disciples. To affirm your support of Catholic education and sign-up for email updates, visit: [www.togetherinfaith.ca](http://www.togetherinfaith.ca).

## THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S



### SATURDAY 4TH

10:00 am Mass – †C. J. Joseph  
Requested by Pushpa & Benny Lobo  
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
10:30 am Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass – †Antonieta & Pascuale Iarocci  
Requested by their daughter and family

### SUNDAY 5TH

9:00 am Mass – †Attilio & Maria Barbisan  
Requested by Luigi Barbisan and family  
11:00 am Mass – For the People  
12:15 pm First Holy Communion Class (Hall)  
Coffee in the hall after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses  
Karaoke at 7:00 pm in the Hall

### MONDAY 6TH

9:00 am Mass – †Iole D'Ovidio  
Requested by Barbara  
7:00 pm CWL Executive Meeting (SJR)  
7:00 pm SSVP Meeting (Hall)

### TUESDAY 7TH

NO MASS  
7:00 pm Choir practice (Church)

### WEDNESDAY 8TH

10:00 am Craft Group Meeting (SJR)  
7:00 pm Mass – Friends and family  
Requested by the Fietta family  
7:45 pm Legion of Mary Meeting (SJR)

### THURSDAY 9TH

9:00 am Mass – †Remedios Navarro  
Requested by Madelyn Navarro

### FRIDAY 10TH

9:00 am Mass – †Dorothy Galea  
Requested by the family

### SATURDAY 11TH

10:00 am Mass – †Pietro Ferraro  
Requested by the family  
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
10:30 am Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass – For the People

### SUNDAY 12TH

9:00 am Mass – †Irene Schiavinato  
Requested by Luigi Barbisan and family  
11:00 am Mass – †Antonieta Valentino  
Requested by Alfredo Valentino and family  
12:15 pm First Holy Communion Class (Hall)  
1:30 pm Baptisms (Church)  
2:00 pm Bible Study (SJR)