

PASSION SUNDAY

Passion (Palm) Sunday

What did Jesus cling to? Not to the fleeting glory of crowds shouting, "Hosanna!" Paul says Jesus didn't even cling to his divine position: he "did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself," becoming human. He accepted the suffering and pain of human life. He lived in vulnerability, God's Suffering Servant, not hiding his face "from insult and spitting."

But he did not cling to suffering...he did not let it become the final word. Not even on the cross. He clung instead to his identity as God's beloved. He clung to his relationship with the Father. Even in his agony, he remembered who he was. His final, heartbroken cry was, nonetheless, a cry of faith, a prayer from Psalm 22: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" He clung to what he knew best: he was God's beloved; he trusted in God. And God did not let him down. Paul assures us, "God highly exalted him."

We need to be reminded that evil, hatred, suffering and death don't have the final word. Jesus gives us this gift. He shows us that life is stronger than death; love is stronger than hatred; faith and hope are stronger than fear and suffering. He shows us that we too are God's beloved. Let us cling to this love.

ShareLife

"Living the Gospel" by supporting the Deaf community...

Taavi wasn't engaged at his school or in extracurricular sports and as a Deaf person, he faced obstacles trying to join his hearing peers. His mom encouraged him to try to participate in the Deaf community. His life changed when he joined a Deaf basketball fun day hosted by Silent Voice and met Mike, Director of the Silent Voice Child and Family Program. He joined a Deaf sports team, began a co-op position with Silent Voice in his 4th year of high school, and was hired as a counselor in the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer day camp. He continues to volunteer at Silent Voice and says, "I am grateful to ShareLife-supported Silent Voice and want to be a role model for Deaf kids, like Mike was to me." Last year, more than 600 deaf children received help through ShareLife-supported Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camps.

Next ShareLife Sunday is May 7, 2017

Please give generously



Mass Intentions

Monday, April 10, 2017 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Alice May Aruldoss
+ Ursula Reid
Jackie Grossie

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Robert Woodcock

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

8:30 a.m. + Vincenzo & Giuseppina Ruggiero

Thursday, April 13, 2017 HOLY THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. No morning Mass

7:30 p.m. + Lucille & Pat Altilia

Friday, April 14, 2017 GOOD FRIDAY

12:00 p.m. Passion of our Lord

3:00 p.m. Passion of our Lord

Saturday, April 15, 2017 EASTER VIGIL

4:30 p.m. No Mass

7:30 p.m. + Oscar Castillo (Easter Vigil Mass)

Sunday, April 16, 2017 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. + John Hong

9:30 a.m. + Vincenzo & Giuseppina Ruggiero

11:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Lucia DeSantis

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE – 2017

Thursday, April 13th

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper—7:30 PM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

Friday, April 14th

GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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and

3:00 PM

Saturday, April 15th

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil Mass—7:30 PM
(No 4:30 PM Mass)

Sunday, April 16th

APRIL 9, 2017

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

Stations of the Cross at St. Antoine Daniel School

You're invited! Please join the community of St. Antoine Daniel School on Tuesday April 11, 2017, as we walk through the Living Stations Of The Cross. We know that your hearts will be moved by the great compassion and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus, as you carry the heavy cross, walk the stony path, taste the vinegar and encounter the angels in His tomb. Our students will accompany you by leading beautiful prayers and reflections at each Station. The experience will take about 25 minutes. We look forward to praying with you, anytime, from 1:10 pm - 3:00pm.

Mr. J. Bellissimo

Principal

St. Antoine Daniel School

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Please report to the office to sign in upon your arrival.

Senior Residence Masses – April 2017

Wednesday, April 12th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

Friday, April 21st – Canterbury Place – 10:30 a.m.

Friday, April 21st – Lansing – 2:30 p.m.

SWIENCONE

Blessing of the Easter Fare

at

St. Edward's Church

Holy Saturday

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April 15th Kwiecien at 10:00 A.M.



**Now accepting EDGE Registrations!
For students in Grade 6 - 8**

Come by the office, email us, or visit our website (www.stedward.ca) for the EDGE Registration Form.

Registration fee is \$25. Submit the completed form with payment to the parish office. If there are any financial difficulties, please contact our Youth Director, Kimberly Go, at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com.

Kick-Off: Friday, April 28, 2017!

COINS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN 2017

Please return your boxes to the office on the weekend of April 22nd /23rd.

Campaign Life Coalition thanks you for your generosity for God's preborn babies in the womb! Every coin makes a difference and helps CLC to run the annual National March for Life in Ottawa on May 11, 2017. More than ever, faced with such a strong 'culture of death' movement in our country, we must defend life from conception to natural death. Keep us in your prayers and join us if you can. We need more 'volunteers' for this work of God. For more information on the March for Life, please contact CLC at 416-204-9749.

Knights of Columbus

St. Edward's Parish Knights of Columbus will not meet this Thursday, April 11, 2017, as it is Holy Thursday.

Poor Box

Don't forget the poor. The St. Vincent de Paul poor box is located in the lobby. Please be generous. The St. Vincent de Paul of our parish works faithfully to serve the needs of the less fortunate. Thank you for opening your heart.

Northmount School for Boys

Open House

Toronto's Only Independent Catholic Boys' Elementary School (JK-8)

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at 26 Mallard Road, Toronto, Ontario, M3B 1S3. To R.S.V.P. for the Open House or to book a private tour please call 416-449-8823 ext. 114 or info@northmount.com

Senior Men's High School Retreat (Grades 11 & 12)

The Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Richmond Hill on Saturday, April 29, 2017 (from 9 am to 5 pm), providing a time to pray, interact

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& socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians will deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. The day will include Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information please contact your pastor or call the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org