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“BE SILENT, AND come out of him!” Jesus teaches us today. How often do we wish these words could be spoken to an anxiety that we are experiencing? Part of the gift Jesus gives us each day is the ability to say “enough” to a source of suffering in our lives.

Silence becomes a method of approaching the source of our troubles. Often in silence we gain the gift of insight into our immediate concerns. Psychologists may offer an explanation that illustrates the benefits of taking the time to allow our minds to obtain a second or third opinion on a matter before us. On the other hand, Jesus offers us a few words to use as a guide. In silence, we are allowed to create a time and space for inspiration and perspective. These become a sort of modern day “words of the prophets” for us – speaking to our particular time and circumstance.

The gift of prophecy works in many ways – in good times and bad – to reassure us that all will be well as we have the faithful assurance from the rock of our salvation. Consider the flow of water and its enormous power, especially when experienced in silence. Surely, the creator of the water must possess even more impressive powers. So let us say a prayer of thanksgiving today for the gift of this teaching.

(Reflection of John O'Brien, from Living with Christ)



Mass Intentions

Monday, January 29th, 2018

8:30 a.m. + Eusebio Ragas

Tuesday, January 30th, 2018

8:30 a.m. + Antonio Barreiro

Wednesday, January 31st, 2018 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Rose Lim

Thursday, February 1st, 2018

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Margaret Leah

Friday, February 2nd, 2018

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Min Kyu Kim

7:30 p.m. Special Intention of Lisa Chong & Family

Saturday, February 3rd, 2018

4:30 p.m. + Iverly Tapia-Burges

Sunday, February 4th, 2018

8:00 a.m. + Kee Sau & Yung Fu Yuan

9:30 a.m. + Anna & John Kessel

11:00 a.m. + Parents of Gonzalez-Torres Family

Blessing of the Throats

The traditional Blessing of the throats, in honour of St. Blaise, will be offered following the 7:30 p.m. Mass on Friday, February 2nd, the vigil of St. Blaise.

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Kasun – February 11, 2018 - 3 p.m.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Bishop Kasun will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place Sunday, February 11th, 3:00 p.m. at **Blessed Trinity Parish (3220 Bayview Ave., North York)**. A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

Special Note: Fr. Pat would like to acknowledge and bless those in our parish community, who are celebrating special anniversaries at each of our parish Masses, the weekend of Feb. 10th/11th. Kindly leave your name, the anniversary date, and the Mass you will be attending, at the parish office before Feb. 9th, 2018. Thank you!

**First Friday, February 2nd
Adoration at 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Benediction followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m.
All are welcome**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 6th, at 7:00 p.m., for students of our parish schools who registered this past Fall in preparation for their First Reconciliation and Communion. Parents are asked to bring their children to the Church by 7:00 p.m. Extra priests will be on hand to assist in hearing confessions. Let us pray for all those preparing for this important Sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness.

Pancake Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will host their second annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 11th, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and will go on sale next weekend. Come and enjoy a good meal.

Save the Date

January 28, 2018

Fr. Pat wishes to announce that the St. Edward's Gala Dinner & Dance in honour of the 75th Anniversary of the parish will be held on Friday, June 1st at Presidente Banquet Hall. The evening will include full dinner, open bar and dancing to a live band. Ticket sales will be announced shortly (\$75:00 p.p.)

World Day for Consecrated Life

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Friday, February 2, 2018 and in parishes on the weekend of January 27/28, 2018. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick today Sunday, January 28 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

EDGE Youth Ministry

All students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to our upcoming EDGE Night!

When? Friday, February 16, 2018 from 7:00-9:00pm

Where? St. Edward's Church (Parish Hall)

What? Secret Admirer – A Valentine's Day themed EDGE Night on Divine Revelation

Please contact Kimberly Go at stedwardyouthministry@gmail.com for more information.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul welcomes new members.

- We visit people in their homes who are in need of assistance for food.
- We travel in pairs.
- We have a monthly meeting.

If interested, please contact Jeannette @ 416-392-3887. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 6th at 7:00 p.m., in the parish hall. This will be a great opportunity to give back to your community.

Saturday, March 17th, 2018
St. Patrick's Day
Dinner & Dance

The annual St. Patrick's Dinner & Dance will be held on St. Patrick's Day, Saturday, March 17th from 6:00 p.m. to midnight. Dinner, Dancing & Irish entertainment. Tickets are \$35:00 per person (cash bar). Tickets will be available after all Masses, starting the weekend of February 24th/25th.

Lent 2018

Ash Wednesday – February 14th

There will be 3 Masses celebrated on Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of Lent:

8:30 a.m.

12:00 Noon

7:00 p.m.

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. Fr. Pat will also be visiting the schools.

For those attending the Noon Mass, the 55+ Club, following Mass, will be serving a Lenten meal of soup and rolls (vegetable and lentil soup) in the parish hall. **No charge.**

A reminder that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence from meat.

The laws of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds those who are 18 to 59 years old. Those who are sick and pregnant are exempt from the laws of fasting and abstinence.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday evening in Lent at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Parish Lenten Retreat & Mission

Monday, March 5th to Friday, March 9th

Retreat Director: Fr. Errol Fernandes

Renowned Retreat Director, Fr. Errol Fernandes will lead us in a Lenten Mission of the theme:

“Leave Every Negative Thought” (LENT)

We are pleased to co-host this Retreat with Blessed Trinity Parish. All sessions will take place, this year, at St. Edward' Church.

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- Monday 5th** – 7:00 p.m. – Mass & Reflection
- Tuesday 6th** – 7:00 p.m. – Mass & Reflection
- Wednesday 7th** – 7:00 p.m. – Mass & Reflection
- Thursday 8th** – 7:00 p.m. – Reconciliation Night
- Friday 9th** – 7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross with
Reflection