

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2013

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Howard Carter, Karen Williams, Kathleen Angus, Christopher Chiu, Tony Logtenberg, Angeline Nazareth, Gloria Moo Choy, Gloriana Augustin, Pat Dean, Rosalina Asilador, Howard Phillips, John Dias, Theresa Chen, Bernadette Ah-Chong, Ellen Slark, Clinton Aston Wong, Vincent Castelino, Bob Hustins, Longman Leung, Maria Luu Thi Tien, Kelly Morganti, John Mackenzie, Eva Moss, Gasper Figueira, Francisco Castor, Patty Wong, Ygia Koundjian, Carolyn Smart, Margaret Wong and Anita Poon.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Father Joseph Kelly, Elise Irene Bueler, Edith Cheung, June Shillingford and for those who have no one to pray for them.

SOLEMNITY OF JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE next weekend will conclude the Year of Faith. Let us thank the Lord for the gift of our faith and for the blessings of this year. Cardinal Collins will celebrate a Mass at St. Paul's Basilica next Sunday at 5:00 to conclude the Year of Faith. All are welcome.

ENVELOPES TO REQUEST ALL SOULS MASSES for the souls of our beloved faithful departed throughout the upcoming year. Envelopes should be put into the box in the sanctuary.

BAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND after all Masses to raise funds for **CHALICE** Christmas Smiles Campaign, sponsored by the Confirmation class. Thanks to all for supporting this project.

SUNDAY MISSALS for the new Liturgical Year beginning in December may be purchased for \$5 for use at home or donated in memory of a loved one for use in our parish throughout the year.

CHRISTMAS CAKES AND CARDS are available for purchase after Mass in support of the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus.

ALTAR SERVERS – Boys as young as grade 4 who would like to become Altar Servers should contact Fr. Andrews to begin preparation. This involves a serious commitment and support from parents.

WEBSITE FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO is www.archtoronto.org It is worth visiting regularly to keep informed about various activities within the Archdiocese.

IMPORTANT SECOND COLLECTION FOR CANADA'S ABORIGINAL PEOPLE will be the weekend of December 8 in the Archdiocese of Toronto and throughout Canadian parishes. This is a onetime special collection. While many First Nations, Inuit and Metis have found success in their work, hope in their families and fulfillment in their lives, far too many still live in a shadow of a painful past and struggle with crippling issues.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 8TH ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE TUESDAY
DECEMBER 31, 2013 AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH HALL.**

Start planning now to ring in the New Year. Get a table together with your family and friends and join the festivities. Tickets will be sold after the Masses or contact Dominic Florio 905-477-1399 or Stephen Chung 905-946-8034.

ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and for making up for an absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST will be taken up today, November 17. Thanks to all who have so generously supported this collection every year and who continue to support the priests of the Archdiocese, retired and active, in your prayers.

DONATIONS FOR PHILIPPINES TYPHOON HAIYAN – HUMANITARIAN RELIEF may be made any time on line at www.archtoronto.org or through the parish. Cheques should be labeled "Philippines Typhoon Haiyan - Humanitarian Relief".

RECOLLECTION FOR MEN at St. Justin Martyr Parish 10:00 – 12:00 Noon: December 14, featuring spiritual talks, time for reflection, Confession and Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Reconnect with God and learn to apply the Catholic faith to the challenges men face. Integrate your work, faith, family and relationships.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO TO HOST 2014 STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE July 4-6, 2014 drawing thousands of youth to Toronto. The weekend conference will include inspiring talks, opportunities for prayer and dialogue led by internationally renowned speakers, musicians and clergy. Additional details will be released as they are available.

THE PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE – The Legion of Mary will bring Our Lady to your home, we encourage the family recitation of the rosary.

CATHOLIC LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA has come to our parish. This is a kiosk of audio discs to purchase and share. Each CD is \$5. Enjoy the Year of Faith.

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS if you could write out your requests for particular intentions and place them in the box located near the statue of our patron, St. Thomas the Apostle.

MANY THANKS TO OUR PARISH CHOIRS who serve faithfully to lead us in singing at our parish Masses and inspire us to lift up our hearts to the Lord during the Liturgy. New singers are welcome to join one of our choirs.

RETROUVAILLE is a live-in weekend program followed by a number of post sessions to help married couples through difficult times in their marriage relationships. It attempts to provide the tools to rediscover each other and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. For confidential information or to register, contact (416)281-6007 or www.torontoretrouvaille.com

CATHOLIC TEACHERS REQUESTING PASTORAL LETTERS OF REFERENCE – Please contact the office several weeks ahead of the time the letter is due. It is expected that Catholic teachers are practicing their faith and be registered members of the parish.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOOKLETS on the New Evangelization include five titles. They are on the table where the Catholic Lighthouse Media kiosk is located. Each booklet is \$2.00. Thanks to the Knights for making these available for our parishioners. They are also available on-line in PDF format <http://www.kofc.org/en/cis/index.html>

CANADIAN HEARTS AND HANDS is open to receiving volunteers from our parish to assist at the following projects on Sundays in the GTA: St. Vincent's Kitchen in Oshawa, Happy Hour at Tendercare Living Centre in Scarborough, Good Shepherd Centre in downtown Toronto and Good Neighbours Club in downtown Toronto. Thanks to Les Rodrigues and the many volunteers who have been working with people on these projects for several years. For more information check www.candianheartsandhands.ca or contact Les Rodrigues I_s_r_3_@hotmail.com

PROVIDE A MEAL is a monthly opportunity for the people of St. Thomas the Apostle to bring a frozen shepherd's pie which will be picked up by the Good Shepherd Centre and provide a meal there for those in need. The empty containers are available for pick-up the first weekend every month and the donated pies are collected in our freezer the second weekend every month. Thanks to the many parishioners who have been participating for years to help meet the needs of the homeless and disadvantaged who live in the city. For more information contact Rosemarie Ling (416)495-1067.

ST. THERESE VOCATION SOCIETY is a group in the Archdiocese of Toronto whose members pray daily and offer sufferings and sacrifices for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, through the intercession of St. Theresa of Lisieux. There are no dues or meetings – only a promise to pray for vocations. Registration on-line at www.vocationstoronto