

ST. NORBERT'S PARISH BULLETIN

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Closed for Lunch
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

**Saturday and Sunday
and Statutory Holidays**
CLOSED

**We celebrate Memorial
Masses at the parish
schedule as a regular
intention. We DO NOT
celebrate Private Masses**

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Wednesday
7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday
8:30 am

Saturday
5:00 pm

Sunday
9:00 am (Italian)
10:30 am
12:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 pm
and upon appointment

ADORATION

Silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place every First Tuesday of the Month after the 7:00 pm Mass for one hour.

BAPTISM

To baptize your child at St. Norbert's Church, it is necessary for you to be registered with the Parish and attend Mass regularly.

Baptisms are held on most Saturdays of the month at 2 pm. For more information, please contact the office or visit our website.

MARRIAGE

Please **contact the office at least one year in advance**. Weddings are held at 12 pm on most Saturdays of the month.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Call the office to arrange for our Lay Pastoral Team to visit and bring Holy Communion.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please visit our website and download the fillable registration form. Once the form is completed, kindly submit it to the parish office.

SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARISH

ST. NORBERT - 60 Maniza Road - 416-393-5309

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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Some thoughts on today's scripture



How do I abide in the Lord? Above all by prayer, raising my heart and mind to God each morning. There is a worldwide community which uses Sacred Space as a way of abiding in Jesus and

drawing strength from him.

Sometimes we resist pruning. We do not understand that pruning is vital if we are to bring forth new life. We must trust God's pruning process. God's thoughts, words and values must displace our earthbound ones. Only so will we become like the Lord.

On this the feast day the example of St Joseph the Worker can enrich us. He said 'Yes' to God's call, in difficult circumstances. He opened himself to God's pruning and abandoned his own preferences. I ask him to help me do likewise.

Nei discorsi di addio del Vangelo secondo san Giovanni (capitoli 13-17) l'evangelista prende spunto dalle parole di Gesù per riflettere, con il carisma che gli è proprio, sulla vita dei credenti dal tempo dell'Ascensione al ritorno del Signore. Egli si riconosce talmente legato al Signore attraverso lo Spirito di Dio che parla ai suoi ascoltatori e ai suoi lettori usando l'"io" di Cristo. Per mezzo della sua voce, il Signore rivela a coloro che credono in lui qual è la loro situazione, ordinando loro di agire in modo giusto.

È durante la festa liturgica delle domeniche che vanno da Pasqua alla Pentecoste che la Chiesa propone alla lettura questi discorsi, per mostrare ai credenti cos'è infine importante per la loro vita. Attraverso un paragone, il Signore ci rivela oggi che tutti quelli che gli sono legati mediante la fede vivono in vera simbiosi. Come i tralci della vite, che sono generati e nutriti dalla vite stessa, noi cristiani siamo legati in modo vitale a Gesù Cristo nella comunità della Chiesa. Vi sono molte condizioni perché la forza vitale e la grazia di Cristo possano portare i loro frutti nella nostra vita: ogni tralcio deve essere liberato dai germogli superflui, deve essere sano e reagire in simbiosi fertile con la vite.

Share the love with our beloved seniors through ShareLife



Last year, ShareLife supporters like you offered quality care and companionship to over 2,300 vulnerable seniors.

"The largest thank you to all ShareLife donors for your

continued generosity! With your support, our centre is able to provide assistance to seniors in need through our community programs." - Jaymie Daunt, LA Centre for Active Seniors

The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 2. We ask you to share your blessings through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

On Sunday, May 5, 2024, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are encouraged to participate in Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday. The special focus for this day to raise awareness in our parish communities of the importance of mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. In our faith communities, people often report experiencing shame or stigma attached to mental health and mental health illness. Having open conversations about mental health issues, listening, and sharing information, opens doors to seeking help, and healing. So, on Sunday, May 5, 2024, let's talk about mental health and help stop the silence, stigma and shame.

Canada Summer Jobs Program - Be Informed & Reach Out to Your MP

The federal government has introduced new requirements for employers applying for the Canada Summer Jobs grant. To be eligible for funding, employers must attest that both the job and the organization's core mandate respect certain "values" as determined by the federal government including the government's position on abortion, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Organizations unable or unwilling to make this attestation in whole or in part will be deemed ineligible for the grant. This requirement is clearly unjust. Many Catholic organizations throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and many other faiths involved in charitable activity at soup kitchens, shelters, refugee welcome centers or summer camps are impacted by this decision. Please take a moment to visit www.archtoronto.org/summerjobs for more information and to find a template letter to send to your MP and the Minister responsible for this portfolio.



Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of

Toronto at 416-968-0997.
email
www.vocationstoronto.ca

vocations@archtoronto.org

APRIL 28, 2024



On April 24, 25 & 26 2024 Grade 7 students received the sacrament of Confirmation!

On behalf of our entire community, we would like to congratulate our Confirmandi on this important milestone in their faith journey. Congratulations, too, to their wonderful families and their teachers; these students are a credit to you all!

Devotion to Mother Mary



In Rome, towards the end of the eighteenth century, one fine evening in May a child of the poor gathered his companions around him and led them to a statue of Mary, before which a lamp was burning, as is the custom in that holy city.

There, these young voices

together sang the Litany of our Lady. The next day, the group, followed by other children, again gathered at the feet of the Mother of God. Next came their mothers, to join the little assembly. Soon, other groups were formed, and the devotion rapidly became popular. Holy souls, troubled by the disorderly conduct which always increases and becomes graver at the return of the pleasant springtime, saw in these growing practices the hand of God, and they cooperated with the designs of Providence by approving and promoting this new devotion, as a public and solemn act of reparation. The Month of Mary was founded.

"This is the month in which, in the churches and individual homes, the most affectionate and fervent homage of prayers and devotions from the hearts of Christians are raised to Mary. It is also the month in which from his throne descend upon us the most generous and abundant gifts of the Divine Mercy."

Catholics today, in wanting to be close to her always, offer her special presents in May: pilgrimages, visits to churches dedicated to her, little sacrifices in her honor, periods of study and well-finished work offered up to her, and a more attentive recitation of the rosary.

Bundle up Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul - weekend of May 04-05-24



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes, linens and household goods.

Items not accepted: appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes. "The truck will be open all weekend."



Saturday April 27

5:00 pm - +Pietro & Irma Gentilini

Sunday April 28

9:00 am -

+Vincenzo Palazzo

+Vittorio Di Clemente

+Domenico Conti

+Donato Oriente

+Elena Iunni

+Antonio & Gino Di Berardino

+Cipriana Ciraco

+Andrea Perrotta

+Cristiano family

10:30 am -

For all Parishioners (Pro Populo)

12:00 pm -

Tuesday April 30

7:00 pm -

Wednesday May 01

7:00 pm -

+Vito & Edda Montesano

Thursday May 02

8:30 am

Friday May 03

8:30 am -

Saturday May 04

5:00 pm -

+Roy De Silva

Sunday May 05

9:00 am -

+Sestilio & Romana Di Silvestre

+Maria Marino

+Domenico & Bambina Fiorante

+Maria Teresa Arciero

+Paul Mckenzie

+Francesco Trentadue

+Giovanna Picinini

+Antonio Barbuto

+Sal Beltrano

10:30 am -

For all Parishioners (Pro Populo)

12:00 pm -

Tuesday May 07

7:00 pm -

Wednesday May 08

7:00 pm -

Thursday May 09

8:30 am

Friday May 10

8:30 am -

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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