

## REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

Usually, no news is good news. In the case of the Iraqi refugee family that our parish is sponsoring, no news means waiting and being patient.

In April, our parish sponsorship application was approved by Immigration Canada and it remains in process. As you may have heard, the civil unrest in Syria, where our sponsored family currently resides, has slowed down Canadian embassy operations.

Consequently, there is a delay in the processing of the immigration case. Our parish Refugee Family Committee will keep you up-to-date as news comes. In the meantime, please keep our family and all refugee families in your prayers.

## The Salesian Youth Movement of Toronto

is proud to participate in:

### GOSPEL ROADS

a service retreat for youth ages 15-18  
in Stony Point, NY  
July 23-30, 2011

Co-Director: *Veronica Ljubicic*  
Adult Chaperons: *Ben Goetz, Cindy Olivo*  
Young Team Leader: *Andre Violante*  
Participants: *Anissa Lucchitti*  
*Celina Cercone*  
*Daniel Orofino*  
*Gabrielle Ene*  
*Jose Taboada*  
*Joseph Perta*  
*Raquel Aranja*  
*Victoria Nunez*

**PLEASE PRAY  
FOR OUR TEAM**



*Leaders and participants received a blessing at mass last Tuesday July 19.*

## Pastoral Ministry to Young People with Same-Sex Attraction

*Part 3~Excerpts from Episcopal Commission  
for Doctrine of the Canadian Conference  
of Catholic Bishops*

### Distinguishing Inclinations from Actions

In her teaching, the Church never condemns persons with same-sex attraction. She carefully distinguishes between an individual's inclinations or feelings – some of which are transitory and/or situational and others which are deep-seated or permanent – and one's actions.

While homosexual acts are always objectively wrong, same-sex inclinations are not in themselves sinful or a moral failing. To the extent that a same-sex attraction is not freely chosen, there is no personal culpability in having such an inclination. Nonetheless, when oriented toward genital activity, this inclination is "objectively disordered." This does *not* mean that the person as a whole is somehow defective or "badly made," or that he or she has in some way been rejected by God. Inclinations to homosexual acts in no way diminish the full human dignity or intrinsic worth of the person.

For many people, same-sex attraction constitutes a trial. They therefore deserve to be approached by pastors with charity and prudence.

### Fostering Chastity

Since chastity is a way of loving, it entails far more than the avoidance of sin. Like love, it can grow indefinitely. Becoming a chaste person follows the laws of growth and development and therefore requires not only self-control but also perseverance. The Triune God's presence in the soul of the baptized person, through the Holy Spirit, is the foundation of Christian life. That same Spirit assures us that living chastely is possible for everyone and can become a source of great joy.

Adolescents and young adults need to be taught by word and example that the virtue of chastity means "the successful integration of sexuality within the person and thus the inner unity of man in his bodily and spiritual being." Through a Christ-centred love Christians can be fulfilled in all aspects of life, including the gradual integration of their sexuality. On this challenging journey, only a greater love can heal a lesser love. Through his life of self-giving and chaste love, Christ has left all of us an example to follow for living our sexuality, whether as single or married persons. For everyone, chastity means integrating one's thoughts, feelings and actions in the area of human sexuality so that they reflect the moral order.

Chastity teaches the way of self-mastery and is "the spiritual power which frees love from selfishness and aggression." It makes self-giving possible and is the prerequisite for generous love and true fulfillment.

*For full document go to:*

*[www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/ministry-ssa\\_en.pdf](http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/ministry-ssa_en.pdf)*

### ShareLife Campaign



July 31<sup>st</sup> marks the end of this year's ShareLife campaign. At the present time we need another **\$13,250** in order to reach our target of \$70,000. Again we ask you to remember the less fortunate among us and answer the call.

Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!

## A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

To the **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
for your kind donation to

SUMMERDAZE  
\$2,500

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN  
\$1,250

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, July 25

8:00am Luigina Gerardi by Graziana Marin  
7:30pm Memorial Mass – Vittorio Fusco

#### Tuesday, July 26

7:30pm Carmela and Serafino Di Marco  
by Vic Di Marco & family

#### Wednesday, July 27

8:00am Raquel Formosa by John & Salvina Pace

#### Thursday, July 28

8:00am Rosaria Del Gaudio  
by Fernando & Maria Del Gaudio

#### Friday, July 29

8:00am Living Intention/Ralph MacDonald by family  
11:00am SummerDaze Camp Mass

#### Saturday, July 30

8:00am Marguerite Browning by Doreen Power  
5:00pm Maurice, Gretta & Jim Fay by Mary Fay

#### Sunday, July 31

8:00am Stephen Szakacs by Eleanor & family  
9:30am Venanzio & Anna Gesa by Rosa Vecchione  
9:30am For the People  
11:00am Ondrej Krnac by family

### Linda's Walk - Helping Homeless Women Rebuild Their Lives - 5k Fundraising Walk

Saturday, August 13 ~ 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Starting at St. Bonaventure's Church  
1300 Leslie St., Toronto

Linda's Walk is the signature fundraising event for St. Clare Inn – a safe and secure transitional residence for homeless women who are struggling with mental health issues. St. Clare Inn is not a shelter; it is a home and a place where women can live with dignity while rebuilding their lives. Since 2007, St. Clare Inn has helped many women to improve their quality of life because of the care and support they experienced while living at the Inn.

Registration includes a free t-shirt and BBQ after the walk.

\$25 for adults  
\$15 for youth ages 12 to 16  
free for children under 12.

You can also solicit pledges to raise additional funds. Registration, pledge forms and information about St. Clare Inn is available at [www.stclareinn.org](http://www.stclareinn.org). Your support will change lives in ways you can't begin to imagine!



**Blessings on your  
Marriage**

**As a parish community,  
we keep in prayer**

Christian Scaccia & Patrizia Orlando  
**who will be married on July 30, 2011**

**God grant them happiness, good health  
and a long life together.**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE SICK, ESPECIALLY:**

Peter Calzavara, Matthew Murdoch, Griffin Brown, Margot Low, Dorita Hilder, Bill Batulis, Nellie McGlynn, Rebecca Bautista, Vincenzo Macri, Bernardino Pede, Marie Demers, Robert Cellupica, Helen Bondi, Rhoel Val Rodrigo, RONALDA CAMPBELL, Patricia Waters-Holst, Sean Waters, Joe Borg, Beverley Martin, Jean Bradbury, Thelma Noronha, Nathan Bertucci, Jonathan and Sarah Pupulin, Aidan Downey, Severino Bucci, Stephanie Thomas, David Quimet, Margarida Fernandes, Janice Rama, Olga Evangeli Gheciu, Victoria Titi Idowu, Rita Birch, Evellin Gleciu, Bernadette Arulthasan, Donna Gillespie, Jameel Giscoombe, Eva Periera, Paul Mati Lincoln, Vittorio Rovito, Savannah Lewis (4 yrs old), Evelyn Cletus, Mary White, Helen Brunning, Giuseppe Miceli, Debra Ferguson, Jeannette Gregory, Anne Misquitta, Denzil Smith, Kate Bachinski, George Galison, Paul Lewin, Maria Di Puccio, Tim Fowler, Teresa Tomasi, Teresa De Santis

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION      CAPITAL FUND TARGET: **\$760,000**

<b>SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	\$6,648	<b>SECOND COLLECTION</b>	\$585.50
Average Env. Donation	\$ 12.88	as of July 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$296,465.61

**Thank you for your ongoing generous support!**