

Looking at the Text of the Roman Missal ~ Liturgy of the Word

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If someone finds a treasure chest they want to open it and look inside. They spread the treasures out to appreciate each wonderful thing to be found. At the Second Vatican Council the Church said that 'the treasures of the bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word.' To make this renewal of the Liturgy of the Word possible a three year cycle of readings was introduced with three passages of Scripture to be proclaimed at Sunday Mass. This means that Sunday by Sunday we hear a great deal of the Bible so that the Word of God may inform, inspire and sustain us.

A great conversation takes place in the Liturgy of the Word. Christ speaks to us in the First Reading and we reply using God's word in singing or saying the Responsorial Psalm. He speaks again to us and we answer with an acclamation as we prepare to hear the Gospel. We must listen and speak carefully, reflecting on what he says to us. In the Homily the Word is broken open for us by the preacher. Silence after the readings and the homily can be a great help to us as we think about what we have heard. Our profession of faith in the Creed and the Bidding Prayer are other ways in which we respond to God's Word.

The new translation helps make things clearer. The reader now says 'The Word of the Lord' which is supposed to be an enthusiastic acclamation not simply a statement of fact 'this is the Word of the Lord'. Our responses should be filled with appreciation, praise and thanksgiving. We might sing them to emphasise this.

We speak of the table of God's Word. This is an ancient idea in which see ourselves being fed both by the Word of God and Holy Communion. Christ wonderfully present under the appearances of Bread and Wine nourishes us. He is also present when the scriptures are proclaimed and he feeds us with his teaching. He speaks in our hearts, proclaiming his summons, announcing his words of new life and whispering his message of comfort. It is Christ who speaks as readers open their mouths to proclaim the readings. They have a great task and privilege to read well so that we may be fed properly.

The Word of God is something alive and active. It feeds us and gives us life. It moves us to change ourselves and change the world; a treasure to be opened so that everyone may have true riches.

For more information on the Roman Missal and its changes, visit www.archtoronto.org/romanmissal anytime to continue your reflection.

Blue Mass

Tuesday November 9 ~ 7:30 p.m. ~ in church Organized by the St. Dominic Savio Squires Circle Please come to appreciate all Emergency Services personnel. Reception to follow in parish hall

Thankyou Thankyou Thankyou!

A huge thank you for all the many people who made Father Ho's 50th anniversary celebration of religious profession so special!

Special thanks to the Italian community including, Joe, Santina, Louisa, Ana and Maria for their hard work in the kitchen. These people spent many days baking and cooking to provide the pasta sauce, homemade sausages and cookies.

To all those who helped with set up, serving and clean up, there are too many to list! Thanks for your enthusiasm and service.

HOLY LAND & JORDAN

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Monday, April 16 - Thursday, April 26, 2012

Tour Guide: Ms Terry DiCredico Spiritual Guide: Fr. Michael Pace S.D.B.

Israel: Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Cana, Jordan River, Tiberias, Mount of the Beatitudes, Banias, Mount Tabor, Jordan Valley, Jericho, Dead Sea, Mount of Olives, The Way of the Cross, Emmaus, Bethany, Mount Nebo. **Jordon:** Petra & Amman.

Price per person: Min. 30 passengers, Double occupancy \$2,909.00 + \$ 440.00 airport taxes. Single supplement \$510.00

Book Now: Terry Di Credico, St. Clair Travel, 905-851-1512, travel@travelstclair.com

Mark your Calendar... Come Down, O Love Divine

Advent Parish Mission

Three evenings of inspiring reflections by Fr. Thomas Rosica, CEO, Salt & Light Television

Monday November 28 Vespers, Song & Fellowship

Tuesday November 29

International Rosary & Mass with His Excellency William McGrattan

Wednesday November 30

Praise & Worship, Youth Testimonials & Eucharistic Adoration

7:30 pm ~ each evening in church

This mission will be broadcast on Salt & Light during the 3rd week of Advent

The **Shepherds' Trust** cares for those who always cared for us – our retired priests. At St. Benedict Parish, your Shepherds' Trust offering goes to the retired Salesians. They were with us to joyfully celebrate our marriage, baptize our children and also to support us during times of sadness and grief. The Shepherds' Trust Collection takes place next weekend. Special envelopes are in the pews today. Sunday envelope users are asked to enter their envelope number in the space indicated.

Sunday Missals

\$5 Adults ~ \$10 Youth

ON SALE FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS proceeds benefit Squires + Boiler Fund

The liturgical year ends with the feast of Christ the King on the last Sunday of November and the new church year begins with Advent. You'll need a new missal for the start of Advent: Nov 26 & 27 and for the people's parts in the new Roman Missal.

The Sunday Missal is intended to be a tool <u>used at home</u> for preparing for the weekly Sunday Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to purchase a copy of the missal for themselves for use during personal prayer time during the week by reading and reflecting on the gospel and readings for the upcoming Sunday. This prayer style better prepares us to listen to God's Word as it is proclaimed on Sunday.



Eucharistic Adoration: Adorers Needed

TUESDAYS, 12~1pm, THURSDAYS, 1~2am, 4~5pm, FRIDAYS 1~2am or any other hour of your choice to spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Contact Teresa Villahermosa, 416-743-5338 or email <u>jakenteresav@bell.net</u>.



Our faith community welcomes

Veronica Monticolo
May you always walk in the
footsteps of the Lord.

St. Benedict Parish has again committed its support to the **OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM** to help some of our most vulnerable brothers during the upcoming cold winter days. The program runs for 20 weeks and consists of providing needy men with home cooked meals, lunches, toiletries and warm clothing donations to help them endure the cold winter temperatures.

This year's meals are scheduled for November 27, January 29 and April 1 and we will be signing up volunteers 2 weeks before each meal. If you would like to participate in our first meal please sign up in the foyer next Sunday after mass. As usual our Wish Box is located in the church foyer for everyone wishing to donate warm clothing **FOR MEN ONLY**. A list of the items most needed has been attached to the box in the foyer. Your donations mean so much to those who go without. Thank you for your generous support.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

CAPITAL FUND TARGET: \$760,000

SUNDAY OFFERING \$8,949 Average Env. Donation \$12.74 SECOND COLLECTION
TOTAL

\$704.00 \$318,251.65

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Novembr 7

8:00am Rino Gava by wife & family 7:30pm Memorial Mass ~ Francesca Lupo

Tuesday, November 8

7:30pm Dec members of De Santis family by Anna & family

Wednesday, November 9

8:00am Dec members of Moroney & Cachia families by Mary Cachia

Thursday, November 10

8:00am Maria & Giovanni Rossi by Alberto & Maria Rossi

Friday, November 11

8:00am Gennaro & Joe Di Palma by family

Saturday, November 12

8:00am Carmela Ponzo by Ponzo family 5:00pm Marino Moras by Moras family

Sunday, November 13

8:00am Dec benefactors & members of the Salesian Family

by Salesians of Don Bosco

9:30am Dec members of Petrozzi & Tatangelo families

by Petrozzi family For the People

9:30am For the People 11:00am Carmen & Lawrence Peresso

by Domenic, Susan & Cicholas Peresso

12:45pm Maria Wojdat by Marcelli family



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD, ESPECIALLY:
MICHAEL KILEY

ST. DOMINIC SAVIO SQUIRE CIRCLE MEETING

Sunday, November 6

Executive Meeting at 6:00pm, followed by Circle Business at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

Saturday November 12

2:30 ~ 4:00pm

Parish Hall

Congratulations!

Bishop's Award for Service

We're proud of you...

Giorgan Hicban, Giancarlo Hicban, Jacob Pace, Damian Sheppard and Timothy Vince

The awards Mass was held at S.S. Peter and Paul Church in Mississauga, last Saturday.

Introductory Session: Creighton Model FertilityCare System

A natural method of gynecological care and family planning

Wednesday November 9 7:30pm ~ Savio Room

(just off the parish hall)

Learn about the many applications and health benefits of tracking your fertility cycle with the Creighton Model!

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