

## Offer the Gift of a Spiritual Bouquet for Bro. Bernie's Farewell

Dear Parishioners,

We are sorry to see Bro. Bernie leave us at the end of August and we will miss him.

As a way of expressing our gratitude to him and of assuring him that we are accompanying him with our prayers, I invite you to participate in offering him a Spiritual Bouquet.

A Spiritual Bouquet is a collection of prayers, sacrifices and acts of charity offered to Our Lord on behalf of the recipient.

At the farewell for Bro. Bernie on Saturday, August 25 we will present to him this spiritual gift compiled from the form below.

Please **return by Tuesday, August 23** this form to the parish office, *attention: Fr. John.*

Fr. John Puntino S.D.B., Salesian Director

### My Personal Spiritual Bouquet for Bro. Bernie

___ Holy Communions	___ Holy Hours
___ Holy Rosaries	___ Personal Sacrifices
___ Divine Mercy Chaplet	___ Acts of Charity

*If you wish Bro. Bernie to know that you've offered these prayers, sacrifices and acts of charity, please include your name here.*

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### Vocation Seeds

When the apostles were trying to reflect on their ministry, Jesus asked them to "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." Listening to God in quiet prayer is very important in vocation discernment. Listen to God's voice in an out-of-the-way place. If you feel the call is genuine, call Fr. Hansoo 416-968-0997

[vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca) or [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## Come join the fun as we celebrate SALESIAN SUMMERFEST AT ST. BENEDICT'S AUGUST 3

Let's celebrate our belonging to St. Benedict Parish in the Salesian family spirit. Enjoy the grand finale energy of Summerdaze & the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Gospel Roads service retreat. Fun, prayer, good time for all ages.

**Mass at 7:30 pm**

followed by



### outdoor musical entertainment

featuring various musical acts for your listening pleasure



#### What to Bring:

- your own lawn chair
- a plate of finger foods to share

*The planning committee is looking for volunteers to help out at this event. If you can help with set up during the day or teardown, please contact Janet at 416-201-0780 or [jhuitema@sympatico.ca](mailto:jhuitema@sympatico.ca).*

### This Summer visit the Marian Shrine of Gratitude



The Basilian Marian Shrine of Gratitude is located at 3100 Weston Road. It was built in 2005 in gratitude to the Mother of God for saving Fr. Basil Cembalista's eye.

On October 4, 2004, as Fr. Basil was clearing some brushwood, his eye was seriously injured by a sharp dry branch. When he uttered the prayer "Mother of God, save my eye," he noticed that not only was the injured eye not damaged but from that moment his vision improved to the point that he no longer needed to wear glasses. This is factually collaborated by his driver's licence which prior to the accident indicated the need for corrective lenses. His current driver's license shows he can drive without glasses or corrective lenses.

The erection of the monument grew spontaneously without planning. By word of mouth, many people were attracted from the surrounding area. Other healings have since been reported at the shrine and many graces have been received through the intercession of Our Lady.

*[http://basilianfathers.ca/svitlo/pamjatnyk/History\\_of\\_Marian\\_Shrine\\_of\\_Gratitude.htm](http://basilianfathers.ca/svitlo/pamjatnyk/History_of_Marian_Shrine_of_Gratitude.htm)*



## 50th Anniversary

Sr. Marie -Therese and Sr. Pierrette began their journey as Salesian Sisters when they witnessed their cheerfulness in their first encounter with them. It was “love at first sight” when they saw how loving the Sisters were toward young people. They realized that God was calling them to live this life and in 1957, both began their Salesian life in the formation house in New Brunswick.

Sr. Marie -Therese, in her attractive cheerfulness, served the young in many varied missions in New Jersey, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario. From her culinary artistry to caring for the elderly sick to working with young people for the missions, Sr. Marie -Therese generously shared her life for the good of youth and their eternal happiness in the shadow of St. John Bosco and St. Maria Mazzarello.

Sr. Pierrette journeyed with a joyful heart to serve the young in New Jersey, New York, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Quebec and Ontario. She educated and prepared the young to live a full sacramental life through her ministry as a teacher and catechist. Sr. Pierrette’s unique presence of confidence in her students prepared children and parents to live God’s great love for them in the Church and in their lives.

As they celebrate 50 years of Consecration as Salesian Sisters, Sr. Marie -Therese and Sr. Pierrette continue to share their gifts, talents, love and prayers for God’s People and His glory.

Sr. Patricia Melanson, FMA

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, July 23**

8:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory by Tuzi family  
7:30pm Memorial mass – Rita Tarantelli

**Tuesday, July 24**

10:30am Mass at Kipling Acres  
7:30pm Ellen Barbara Welner by Welner family

**Wednesday, July 25**

8:00am Maria Borg & deceased relatives of Pace family  
by Rita Perta

**Thursday, July 26**

8:00am In thanksgiving to our Holy Family by Tuzi family

**Friday, July 27**

8:00am Chong-Sun Im by Denise Chun  
11:00am SummerDaze Camp Mass

**Saturday, July 28**

8:00am Pasquale Stornino by Maria Colavecchia  
5:00pm Ondrej Krnac by Mazi family

**Sunday, July 29**

8:00am Arturo Reyes Maroon by Staff at West Park Unit  
9:30am Venanzio & Anna Gesa by Rosa Vecchione  
9:30am For the People  
11:00am Albert Roberts by Gwen Tarsay



### 2012 SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

<b>2012 RESULTS TO DATE</b>	<b>\$67,098</b>
<b>2012 SUGGESTED GOAL</b>	<b>\$68,000 (98.7%)</b>

There is less than one month to go in the 2012 ShareLife appeal, and we are within one million dollars of reaching our overall \$12.3 million campaign goal. To date, our parish has contributed \$67,098 toward ShareLife this year. Our support does make a difference - the marginalized in our society are served, clergy are formed, and the Gospel is evangelized through the greater world - through ShareLife funded agencies.

I offer my thanks to those parishioners who have supported the ShareLife appeal this year – your generosity is greatly appreciated. I invite parishioners who have not made a contribution as of yet to do so before the end of the campaign on July 31.

This year, the opportunity to have all new or increased contributions matched by a generous parishioner in the Archdiocese is one that we must maximize. **The ShareLife appeal is the extension of our Catholic faith to the marginalized in our society, and we need to do all that we can to reach our overall campaign goal this year.** With an expense ratio of less than 10%, the ShareLife office ensures that the maximum amount possible is directed to the work of our agencies.

As your Pastor, I ask you to join me in supporting the ShareLife appeal this year. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**

**LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION**

SUNDAY OFFERING \$6,755  
AVERAGE ENV. DONATION \$14.42

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!



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

Christopher Hasbun & Moira Healy