

*FertilityCare Toronto*

*invites all to a Mass of Remembrance. . .*

Join us for a mass of celebration and Remembrance for those who have gone through and are going through the journey of miscarriage and infertility.

*Monday January 21*

*7:00 PM*

St. Joseph the Worker Parish  
191 Wade Gate, Thornhill, ON



*Join us afterwards for refreshments*

**Reminder ...Confirmation Kickoff**

**Featuring Blue Veil Ministry**

**For ALL parents, sponsors & candidates**

**Wednesday January 23**

7:30 pm – 9:30 pm in the parish hall



**Save the Date...**

4<sup>th</sup> Annual

St. Benedict Golf Tournament

**Monday June 10, 2013**

Glen Eagle Golf Club

12.30 p.m. start time

More details to follow...

If you are interested in joining the Golf Committee, please contact:

**Carmen DeSantis**

416-740-1212 or 905-738-8142

[3dimensional@on.aibn.com](mailto:3dimensional@on.aibn.com)

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**REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE  
& A WORD OF THANKS**



The latest good news about our Iraqi refugee family, currently residing in Syria, is that in late December, visas were issued to them. This means that most of the process to come to Canada is complete.

With the visas issued, the final stage is travel to Canada. Normally, within two weeks of receiving the visas, a family is issued airline tickets. Sadly, tickets to Canada have not yet been prepared for our refugee family since the Damascus airport remains shut down. Flights into and out of Damascus are cancelled or not scheduled at all making air travel impossible.

As we hope and pray for peace in Syria, for the reopening of the Damascus airport, and for the safe travel to Canada of many stranded refugees, the resettlement committee extends heartfelt thanks to our parishioners for your generosity and care in responding to our ongoing appeal for household goods, furniture and clothing for this family.

Thanks not only for the material goods you provide but also and for your charity in storing these items in your homes for an uncertain period of time until the family arrives.

*"...for God loves a cheerful giver..."*  
2 Corinthians 9:7

**The Second Vatican Council:**

**What was it and**

**why is it important today?**

*Excerpts from: Episcopal Commission for Doctrine of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops*

This year the Catholic Church celebrates the 50th anniversary of a momentous event: the opening of the Second Vatican Council. Today, however, many Catholics – particularly the young – have scarcely heard of the Council, while others may know very little about it. Therefore, as Bishops, we wish to take this occasion to call to mind the joy and vitality that the Council brought to the Church through its key teachings.

**What is a Council?**

During a council, Bishops from around the world gather together so that, with one voice, they can clearly proclaim the teaching of the Catholic Church. Because the Bishops are the successors of the Apostles and are united with the Pope, who is the successor of Peter, the teachings of an ecumenical council represent the highest level of the Church's teaching authority.

*For the full document, go to:*

[http://www.archtoronto.org/pdf/Second\\_Vatican\\_Council.pdf](http://www.archtoronto.org/pdf/Second_Vatican_Council.pdf)

**The Relevance of Vatican II:  
50 Years Later**

a four part series on Vatican II presented by Dr. Michael Attridge, of U of T's St. Michael's College

**St. John the Evangelist Church**

49 George Street

(near Weston Road and the 401)

**Wednesdays:**

**February 20, 27, March 6 and 13**

**7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**in the church**

Topics include:

Week One: What Led to Vatican II?

Week Two: Major Issues at Vatican II

Week Three: Vatican II and Church Development

Week Four: Challenges of Living Vatican II Today

*All are welcome to attend.*

*For information please call 416-241-0133.*



**You're Invited**  
**to an Afternoon High Tea**

In support of South Sudan

**Sunday February 17, 2013**

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 (includes assortments of teas, scrumptious pastries, and sandwiches)

St. Benedict Parish Hall  
2194 Kipling Avenue Etobicoke, Ontario

For tickets contact Rina at 647-861-7744  
[rgrella@hotmail.com](mailto:rgrella@hotmail.com)

**CONVIVIAM WELCOMES FROM HONG KONG  
CARDINAL JOSEPH ZEN**



Cardinal Joseph Zen,  
Human rights and  
religious freedom  
advocate, China

**Special Guests:** A renowned human rights and religious freedom advocate, Cardinal Zen will speak on "The Church in China: Hope for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century."

The **Hon. Jason Kenney**, Canada's Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, will formally welcome Cardinal Zen.

Officiating the event is *Convivium's* editor-in-chief and *National Post* columnist **Fr. Raymond J. de Souza**.

**Ticket Pricing:**

- \$45.00 for Convivium Members:
- \$75.00 for Non-Members
- \$600.00 for Table Registration—includes ten tickets, ten memberships:

**How to Register:**

- (a) online at [www.cardus.ca/events/zen](http://www.cardus.ca/events/zen),
- (b) by email to [jnethersole@cardus.ca](mailto:jnethersole@cardus.ca), or
- (c) by phone at 905.528.8866 x29.

**Cardinal Zen will also celebrate Holy Mass at 5:30 pm at Saint Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church, 2130 Rodick Rd, Markham.**

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION**

**SUNDAY OFFERING**     \$ 7,639     **AVERAGE ENV DONATION**     \$13.51

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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, January 21**

8:00am Michele Quaglietta  
7:30pm Memorial Mass – Joyce Mohammed

**Tuesday, January 22**

7:30pm Florence Bengert by family

**Wednesday, January 23**

8:00am Angelina Vesca by Vesca family

**Thursday, January 24**

8:00am Julia Longo by Longo family

**Friday, January 25**

8:00am Living Intention ~ Lan Tam  
by John, Salvina & Antoniette Pace

**Saturday, January 26**

8:00am Deceased members of Sala family  
by Carlo & Adelaide  
5:00pm Anna Cappellano by Mary Colantonio & family

**Sunday, January 27**

8:00am In thanksgiving ~ by Verzosa family  
9:30am Salvatore isernia by Italian Choir  
9:30am For the People  
11:00am Olga Roberts by Gwen Tarsay  
12:45pm Deceased members of D'Silva family  
by Molly, Sebastian & family

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

Erwin Heigl & Raffaele Fiorentino



**WINTERDAZE 2013**

Just a reminder that we will be having our SummerDaze reunion on Saturday January 26<sup>th</sup>. We will conclude our evening by celebrating the feast of St. John Bosco at 5:00pm with the rest of the community.  
Hope to see you there!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, January 22**

Meeting to be held  
St. Benedict School  
(use North entrance)  
beginning at  
7:00pm with rosary  
followed by the  
business meeting.

**TREAT YOU SWEETHEART**

The Knights of Columbus along with the Parish Youth invite you to treat you sweetheart by attending the **Valentine Dinner Dance** on **Saturday, February 9** from 6:15 to 11:00 pm.

Menu includes Chicken Cordon Bleu, Veal, Manicotti, Salad, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and a Cash Bar. Cost \$30.

**Tickets available by calling:**

Wolf 416-745-7983  
Ray 416-748-3344  
Anil 416-247-2335.

No orders after February 3, 2013.