



## May the Month of Mary

The Catholic practice of assigning a special devotion to each month goes back to the early 16th century. May crownings and other special events in May in honor of Mary, such as public recitation of the rosary, stem from the early years of 19th century. On April 29 1965, Pope Paul VI dedicated an encyclical on prayers during May for preservation of peace. He writes;

Venerable Brethren, Health and Apostolic Benediction, 1. The month of May is almost here, a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne.

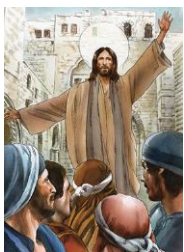
2. We are delighted and consoled by this pious custom associated with the month of May, which pays honor to the Blessed Virgin and brings such rich benefits to the Christian people. Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise.

11. Venerable Brothers, throughout this month of May, let us offer our pleas to the Mother of God with greater devotion and confidence, so that we may obtain her favor and her blessings. Even if the grave sins of men provoke God's justice and merit His just punishments, we must not forget the he is "the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort," that He has appointed Mary most holy as the generous steward of His merciful gifts.

12. May she who experienced the cares and hardships of earthly life, the weariness of daily toil, the hardships and trials of poverty, and the sorrows of Calvary, come to aid the needs of the Church and the human race. .... May she enlighten the minds of those who rule nations. And finally, may she prevail on God, who rules the winds and storms, to calm the tempests in men's warring hearts and grant us peace in our day. ... Thus each person's rights may be safeguarded without the rights of others being forgotten or violated.

Wish you all a blessed month of Mary!

Msgr. Gigi Philip



*Pasqua, Dio glorifica il proprio Figlio e, attraverso di lui, glorifica se stesso. Rivela cioè la sua gloria, il suo volto più vero, il suo mistero d'amore. Tutto ciò accade mentre Gesù viene tradito: le tenebre del peccato degli uomini vengono rischiarate da questo amore più grande, che non si limita soltanto a vincere in noi il male, ma ci dona il comandamento*

*nuovo, cioè la possibilità di amarci gli uni gli altri come siamo stati amati. A glorificare Dio, rivelando la profondità del suo amore, è proprio il nostro amore fraterno, frutto della Pasqua di Gesù. Dio, che «fa nuove tutte le cose» (II Lettura), anzitutto rinnova il nostro cuore e ci concede di dimorare nella verità del suo amore.*

### Did you Know

These Sundays of Easter we have been reading from the Book of Revelation, which is the last book of the Bible. Some Bibles refer to it as the "Apocalypse". The word apocalypse comes from the Greek word "apokalyptein" which means "to uncover, to reveal". The book reveals the victory of good over evil, and so, the end of the world, as we know it. For that

reason, the word "Apocalypse" has been also used to indicate the end of the world. Another word, indicating the end times, is "Armageddon". This word has developed from the Hebrew "Har Megiddo", meaning "Mount Megiddo" (a hill located 30 km south-east of Haifa, Israel), which is the place where the battle between good and evil will take place, according to Revelation 16:16.



**Living the Gospel by supporting youth ministry in our parishes**

What difference does training make for youth ministers? Consider that the 40+ youth ministers in the Archdiocese of Toronto collectively impact thousands of youth and their families. The Office of Catholic Youth (OCY), funded by ShareLife, visits parishes, equips youth ministers, and facilitates networking—including an archdiocesan training day attended by 200 youth ministers and volunteers. OCY helps ensure a vibrant church for future generations.

**June 2 is the next ShareLife Sunday.**

**Please give generously.**

## DATE

### PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY, CZECH REP. & GERMANY

Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Gigi Philip, Pastor,  
August 24 – September 5, 2020 – 13 days  
\$ 5,290.00 (Toronto Dep., Incl all taxes & tips)



The Passion Play in Oberammergau - Germany is performed every 10 years!

This wonderful spectacle of pageantry takes place indoors and outdoors where the sky and mountains are the backdrop, world renowned for the costumes and music presentation, performed by more than 2,000 citizens.



Come all - Join your neighbours for fun, food and fellowship at **St. Norbert's Annual Spring Picnic**.  
**BBQ, Bingo, games and prizes**  
**Saturday, May 25th from 12 pm to 4 pm.**  
Volunteers always needed.  
Call the Office at 416-636-0213

### Picnic annuale a San Norberto

*Venite tutti, venite in gruppo, fatevi contare. Il 25 Maggio dalle ore 11am fino alle ore 4pm. Passeremo insieme una giornata in allegria con tutti i parrocchiani di San Norberto per il Picnic. Ci saranno tanti eventi dal BBQ al Bingo, giochi per tutte le età e tanti premi per adulti e bambini. Se volete aiutare, siete pregati di telefonare in Ufficio al 416-636-0213.*



### The Pope's Pastoral Works May 26 2019 Second Collection

This collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters. By contributing to the Pope's Pastoral Works, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.



This fellowship will be held every 1st Friday and 3rd Friday of the month.  
From 9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. after mass and adoration at 8:30 a.m.

Keep the date free!  
Next Date: Jun 7 Friday/venerdi



**MAY 12, 2019**

Weekly - \$ 2115.00  
Maintenance - \$ 1860.00

Thank you for your generosity.



### May: Month of Mary

We invite volunteers to lead the Rosary 20 minutes before every Mass.

Rosario e devozione saranno avviati 20 minuti prima di ogni Messa.

### Bequests

Please remember your parish in your Will. For free information on making a will, finding a lawyer or making a bequest to our parish, please call the parish office, the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411 or visit [www.archtoronto.org/development](http://www.archtoronto.org/development)



### SAT/sabato – May/maggio 18

5:00 P.M. - +Vincenzo & Rosaria Macri

### SUN/domenica – May/maggio 19

9:00 A.M. - +Giuseppe & Lucia Caldarone

+Guido, Giacinta, Roberto & Deni Carinci

10:30 A.M. -

12:00 P.M. -

### TUE/martedì – May/maggio 21

7:00 P.M. -

### WED/mercoledì – May/maggio 22

7:00 P.M. -

### THU/giovedì – May/maggio 23

8:30 A.M. - No Mass

### FRI/venerdì – May/maggio 24

8:30 A.M. -