

From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Parishioners,

Our 40th anniversary was truly a memorable event. I would like to share my gratitude and appreciation for all of your support.

The Bishop and clergy who attended were amazed at the response and enthusiasm.

May we continue to grow in this spirit of community and faith.

God Bless
Fr. Xavier De Pinto



"In Solidarity with our Priests"
June 7, 8, 14, and 15

Fr. Xavier has had a dream of forming a Knights of Columbus Council at our parish since his first day here. He has given so much to us, it is up to us to return the favour and give back to him. We will be having an information session after every mass on June 7, 8, 14, and 15 in our parish hall. Please come out and discover how you can give back to your parish community and make Fr. Xavier's dream a reality.

MARYGROVE CAMP

1,100 less fortunate girls will be attending the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Marygrove Camp this summer. Marygrove is funded by an annual collection, which will be taken up the weekend of June 14th and 15th. Please remember to support Marygrove and help send a less fortunate child to camp.

**THE OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS
IN JUNE AND JULY**



If you're lucky enough to be near a garden early in the morning, you'll understand today's first reading. The prophet Hosea talks about the dawn of the day, and the sun lighting the morning sky. If there's been a spring rain, the garden will be lush and green. The early morning clouds and dew quickly vanish.

These down-to-earth images describe both our God's life-giving presence, and our own human response. Where God brings certainty, truth and life, we so often respond with shallow piety, a religious fervor that's just talk, and superficial gestures, rather than a real sacrificial response of love.

Jesus is just as down-to-earth in the Gospel. In a scene that must have stunned those who witnessed it, he confronts Matthew the tax collector. Here was a man rejected by the so-called religious crowd, outcast because his profession was marked by collaboration with the Romans temptation to greed and selfishness.

Jesus offers Matthew a call to loving service. In his call to Matthew, Jesus brings forgiveness and echoes the prophet Hosea's message from God: "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." We hear these words at Sunday Mass a ritual action which can become superficial for us, if we do not make a loving response to what we've heard.

"Follow me."

Is Christ calling you to follow Him, to serve and not be served? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Fr. Liborio Amaral (416) 968-0997, or email: vocations@vocations.ca. or Visit www.vocationstoronto.ca



**JP2 CLUB BAKE SALE
SUNDAY JUNE 22**

The children of the JP2 Altar Servers Club will be selling home made goodies to raise money to buy new albs. If you would like to donate baked goods please bring them to the hall on Saturday afternoon or on Sunday morning.

**ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS
AND PARENTS**

As we discussed at the meeting new schedules have been posted in the Altar Servers room, and your call list is ready for pick up. Remember, if your child cannot serve his schedule, please ask another server to cover for them. If you missed the last Altar Servers meeting, please call Lenny at the office for information.



Out of the mouths of babes

A young priest was visiting a group of preschoolers. A little boy three or four looked at him in his clerical clothes and asked, "Why do you dress funny?"

He told him he was a priest and this is the uniform priests wear. Then the boy pointed to the priest's collar tab and asked, "Do you have a boo boo?"

The priest was confused until he realized that collar tab looked like a band-aid. So the priest took it out and handed it to the boy. "On the back of the tab is the name of the manufacturer. The little boy felt the letters,

The priest asked, "Do you know what those words say?" "Yes, I do," said the little boy, who was not yet old enough to read, he said, "Kills ticks and fleas for up to six months!"

dalla scrivania di pastori



Cari Parrocchiani

Il nostro anniversario 40 era veramente un avvenimento memorabile. Voglio darle ringrazia per tutto la partecipazione e sostiene

Il Vescovo ed il i preti che hanno assistito erano meravigliati alla risposta e all'entusiasmo.

Potere continuiamo a crescere in questo spirito di comunità e nella fede.

Dio Benedice
Fr. Xavier De Pinto



Domenica 22 giugno

I bambini di JP2 club di Chierichetti venderanno le dolci per fare il denaro per il camice nuovo. Se lei vuole donare le dolci infornate lei può portarli nella sala Sabato prima della messa o Domenica mattina.



San. 'Antonio di Padova
unirci nella preghiera nell'onore di San. 'Antonio di Padova 13 giugno a 3:00 PM in La Cappella di San Antonio alla Regina di Cielo Cimitero cattolico. La celebrazione sarà in inglese ed italiano.

**L'UFFICIO SARÀ CHIUSO
TUTTI VENERDÌ DI
GIUGNO ED LUGLIO**



UN invito a vivere con sincerità la legge del Signore è quello che il profeta Osea rivolge al popolo d'Israele. La conversione, mettere cioè Dio al primo posto (I Lettura) e contraccambiare al suo amore valga più di tutti i sacrifici. Dio vuole il cuore dell'uomo. L'apostolo Paolo, scrivendo ai cristiani di Roma (II Lettura), presenta Abramo quale padre di molti popoli. Egli credette nelle promesse di Dio. Il Patriarca non si appoggiò sui limiti della natura e sull'evidenza, ma confidò in Dio, sperando contro ogni speranza e venne premiato.

Anche a noi è stata promessa la stessa sorte, se sapremo mantenere salda la nostra fede in Cristo Gesù, risorto.

Matteo (Vangelo) ricorda come da esattore delle imposte diventò apostolo. Dobbiamo considerare la piena disponibilità di Matteo che non esita a farsi discepolo di Cristo. Eppure, sia il rispetto umano, sia la condizione di pubblicano, avrebbero potuto impedirgli di rispondere alla richiesta di Cristo. Matteo non è l'unico. Egli è il primo di una lunga serie di uomini e donne peccatori chiamati da Gesù a rinascere come nuove creature. Il Maestro non ha paura di comprometersi con coloro che conducono una vita lontana dalla legge divina. Egli è venuto per quanti sono nel peccato perché su di essi rifulga la sua misericordia.

PELLIGRINAGGIO 2008

Santuario dei Martiri di Midland

Domenica 29 giugno
\$33.00 p/p
santa messa celebrata da Sua Eccellenza Archivescovo Luigi Ventura Nunzio apostolico del papa in Canada

St. AnneQuebec

25 luglio -27 luglio

Chiama Nunzia al 416-638-1777

INTENTIONS

TUESDAY JUNE 10

7:00 PM

+Nicola & Maria Calderone

WEDNESDAY JUNE 11

8:00 AM

Intention Available

THURSDAY JUNE 12

8:00 AM

+Angelina Di Benedetto

FRIDAY 13

8:00 AM

+Guerino Di Palma, & famiglie
Di Palma & Ricchi

SATURDAY JUNE 14

5:00 PM

Intention Available

SUNDAY JUNE 15

7:45 AM

+Mario Piccolo
+Gaetano Maione
+Antonio & Virginia Bisogno

9:00 AM

+Emilio Salerno
+Giovanni Primiani &
Domenico Lombardi
+Nicola Riga, Onofrio Loduca
& Nicola Riga Jr.
+Eusebio Moretti

10:30 AM

Intention Available

12:00 PM

Intention Available