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Pentecost Sunday – June 8,2025

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." *John 20:21-23*

First Reading + Acts 2:1-11 Second Reading + Romans 8:8-17 Gospel + John 20:19-23

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, June 9 NO MASS SCHEDULED **Tuesday, June 10** 10:30am- Mass at Good Samaritan 5:20pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR **6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS** 7:00pm+(Multiple Intentions Mass, RIP) Katiya BIFFIS, Affected members of Vancouver incident Wednesday, June 11 8:00am+Madeline LAPERRIERE, RIP – G. Cole **Thursday, June 12** 8:00am+Rev. Christopher Bennett, RIP-Estate of Friday, June 13 (Mass at Immaculate Conception) 12:10pm+ (Multiple Intentions Mass, RIP) Giovanni Di DONATO, Sr. Mary Carol LEMIRE, Antonio MINICOZZI, SOULS IN PURGATORY, William & Anne Marie BENNETT Saturday, June 14 (Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Maria Berberick Per.Int.-M. Berberick 5:00pm+ Lou BIFFIS, RIP- M/L Fanelli Sunday, June 15 9:00am+Tony & Bertha Groen, Per. Int. 10:30am+Padraig FITZGERALD, RIP – J/M Neilson

6:00pm+ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Saint of the week

We are formed by environment and grace, by politics and prayer, by church and conscience. All God's creatures conspire to teach us as well. We stumble. We stutter. We rise. We are lifted. - St Anthony of Padua (1195-1231), Patron of Medical social workers, Feast Day June 13

From the desk of Father Norberto

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

Happy Pentecost Sunday!

Today, we celebrate the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the birth of the Church and the beginning of her mission to the world. As the Spirit descended upon the disciples in wind and fire, they were transformed from fearful followers into bold witnesses. That same Spirit is alive today, breathing new life into our hearts, our parish, and our mission.

This Pentecost takes on even deeper meaning for us as a parish family. We are joyfully preparing to celebrate the 150th anniversary of our parish, a sacred Jubilee Year, a time of thanksgiving, renewal, and hope. For a century and a half, the Holy Spirit has been moving through this community: in the sacraments, in generations of families, in acts of service, in quiet prayer, and joyful worship. And now, the Spirit invites us to a new chapter.

Our parish Jubilee coincides with the universal Church's upcoming celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025, proclaimed by Pope Francis with the theme: "Pilgrims of Hope." What a powerful invitation! We are not only looking back with gratitude, but we are also walking forward with confidence, united by the Spirit and sent forth with hope.

Hope is not wishful thinking. Christian hope is rooted in the risen Christ. It is the fire of the Holy Spirit alive in us, giving us the courage to face trials, to dream boldly, and to work for a future filled with love, justice, and peace.

St. Paul reminds us that "to each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit" (1 Corinthians 12:7). Every one of us has received gifts - spiritual talents and charisms - not for ourselves alone, but for the good of the community. As we journey toward our 150th Jubilee celebration and into the Church's Jubilee Year, let us ask: What gifts has the Spirit given me? And how can I use them to renew our parish and serve others as a pilgrim of hope?

This is our moment. The world around us longs for light, for compassion, for peace. As disciples filled with the Holy Spirit, we are called to respond, not with fear, but with faith, not with comfort, but with courage. This Pentecost may burn our hearts with the fire of mission, unity, and joyful witness.

Let us walk as pilgrims together. Let our parish be a beacon of welcome, a house of prayer, a school of love, and a community of hope. Whether you are young or old, new or long-rooted in the parish, the Spirit has work to do in you and through you.

May this Pentecost be the beginning of a Spirit-filled Jubilee, a time of grace, healing, renewal, and great joy. Let us say with open hearts: Come, Holy Spirit! Renew the face of the earth—and the heart of our parish.

Together, as pilgrims of hope, may we walk confidently into the next 150 years.

In the Spirit of Christ,

Fr. Norberto A. Eyule Pastor

Income & Expenses for May 2025

Income-\$71.27.60 Expenses- \$59916.97



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'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love." Send forth workers into your vineyard. May some of our parishioners choose to serve you by becoming priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email:vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

Sacrament Preparations Baptisms

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, subject to availability. Parents and godparents must attend baptism preparation class prior to baptizing their child. Please call the office for more information and registration package.

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion 2025-2026 Registration is open for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for the 2025-26 school year. Parents may register their child entering Grade 2 or older at the link below. The link is also posted on parish website and the bulletin board. The registration deadline is Wednesday September 17th. Details of parent meetings and class dates will be sent out to those who register. Registration fee of \$50/- and a copy of the child's baptismal certificate can be sealed in an envelope and handed to Fr. Norberto after weekend masses throughout the summer, brought to the office or to the first parent meeting.

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Confirmation

Parents only meeting will be held at St Paul's Church on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

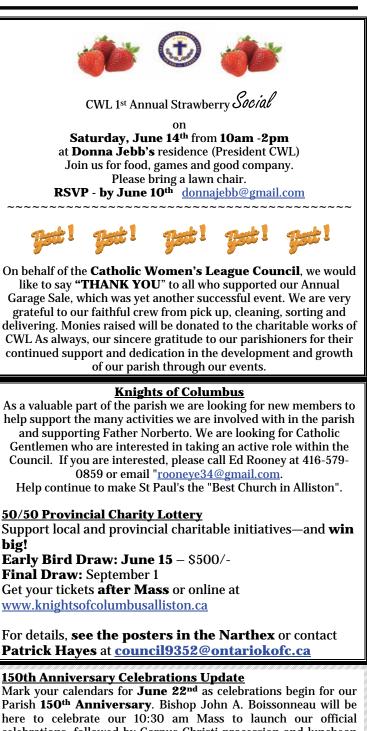
#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (R.C.I.C)**

All children from age 7 years and over who wish to be baptized will be required to attend R.C.I.C. classes with their parents in Fall. The information meeting for these classes will be on Saturday, September 20th from 3:30-4:30pm. Please TEXT ONLY, Claudette Morrison on 705-220-9451.

Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) - If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Catholic faith and possibly becoming a Catholic, please call Father Norberto at the parish office. This program is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian churches and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

#### Marriage

Couples planning to get married must contact Father Norberto one year in advance. No wedding date to be set before meeting with Father. At least one of the parties should be registered as a parishioner and both parties must attend marriage preparation course.



Final Draw: September 1 Get your tickets after Mass or online at www.knightsofcolumbusalliston.ca

For details, see the posters in the Narthex or contact Patrick Hayes at council9352@ontariokofc.ca

#### **150th Anniversary Celebrations Update**

Mark your calendars for **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** as celebrations begin for our Parish 150th Anniversary. Bishop John A. Boissonneau will be here to celebrate our 10:30 am Mass to launch our official celebrations, followed by Corpus Christi procession and luncheon in Father Bennett Hall there after.

To date our toonie collection has raised little over **\$14,000**/-. This money will be used to offset the costs of the celebrations. Thank you for your generosity. We look forward to celebrating our faith and the pride that is shared in our journey of 150 years.

You may drop off pictures in the wishing well- in the Narthex for a collage to be prepared. A brief information on the event would be greatly appreciated.

Sunday Mass at Immaculate Conception Church From June 29th to August 31st, mass at Immaculate Conception Church will be celebrated at 8:30am instead of 9:00am.

