



St. Clare of Assisi Parish

July 21, 2019

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Those who are registered with us, please call the office if you've had a change of address and/or telephone number so we can update our records. Thank you!



St. Clare of Assisi's Summer Camp will begin this week. The EVENING Camp runs from July 21-25 from 7:00-9:00pm. For more information, please contact the parish office at 905-653-8000 or via email at saintclare150@gmail.com.



St. Clare of Assisi wants to remind its parishioners that there is NO MASS on Thursday evenings. The church doors close every Thursday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. for maintenance. Thank you!



St. Clare of Assisi Parish community is excited to announce our **First Annual Parish Festival. Our celebrations will begin right after the 12 Noon mass on September 29, 2019** with a procession to the outside of the church where the statue of St.

Clare will be placed. Our faith family is made up of both young and old and this event will be a wonderful way to bring people of all ages together. Our day festivities will include all kinds of activities – food stands, children's games, music and time to get to know others in the community. Please join us as all are welcome! We also would like to know if you can sponsor our event in the form of a monetary gift. If so, please call the office. Thank you.



Summertime Activity to Help Bring Children Closer to God

Planting - In August, plant a flower garden for our Blessed Mother in honour of the Feasts of the Assumption and the Queenship of Mary. Research the Marian legends connected to each plant, so that each one carries a story. Consider planting:

Lavender (*Mary's Drying Rack: during the flight to Egypt, Mary dried Jesus' clothes by hanging them on a little grey bush, it burst into bloom with fragrant lavender*), **Lily-of-the-Valley** (*known as Mary's Tears*), **Purple Flag Iris** (*known as Mary's Sword of Sorrow*), **Daisy or Carnation** (*Mary's Roses*), **Pansy** (*Our Lady's Delight*), **Violet** (*Our Lady's Modesty*), **Lady's Mantle** (*Our Lady's Mantle*), **Bleeding Heart** (*the Heart of Mary*), **Foxglove** (*Virgin's Glove*), **Fuchsia** (*the Earrings of our Queen*), **Rosemary** (*Mary's tree or Bouquet*).

Try to find an inexpensive statue of the Blessed Mother that you can place among the flowers and plants to make it a true Marian garden.





There are just over a week left in our annual parish ShareLife campaign. I'm grateful for all that our parish does to help those in need. ShareLife is more than a collection. It's a way we collectively say "we care." United with our fellow parishes, ShareLife demonstrates the strength of the Archdiocese. We show the entire community the Catholic Church is actively providing social services in our archdiocese and the greater world. If you have not done, please consider making a gift before July 31. Over the past few months, we have shared many examples of how our support not only helps those in need, but expresses our love for neighbour by "living the Gospel." Thank you for all you have done to generously support ShareLife this year!



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MONDAY, AUGUST 5th IS A CIVIC HOLIDAY. Reminder that the office will be closed and that there will be NO 7:30 p.m. evening mass. Have a safe long weekend!



Registration for the RCIA program 2019/2020 is open! The RCIA is directed to: non-baptized adults or non-Catholic adult Christians who want to become Catholic; adult Catholics who did not yet receive First Communion and/or Confirmation; adult Catholics who want to deepen the understanding of the faith. Weekly sessions will start in September and will run on Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. **Registration fee: \$50.** If you have any questions, please speak with Fr. Antonello. To register, please visit our website at <https://www.saintclareofassisi.ca/becoming-catholic>, follow the instructions, and send the registration form to our email address.



On Wednesday September 11, Birthright Vaughan will be hosting its 5th Annual Charity Golf Tournament! This year, we have moved our tournament to Red Crest, Cardinal's Premium Course. All funds raised from this event will go directly to assisting women in our community who are facing unplanned pregnancies. We are a volunteer organization only with no paid staff, and our services are always free. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you and /or your company to participate in our annual Golf Tournament. If you are interested, please contact: Amanda Bentz at 416-559-2221 or amandabentz34@gmail.com.